

The Idea Space

Curio's amazing freeform "page"

What's an Idea Space?

The Curio idea space is the most flexible and magical notebook page you've ever used. Idea spaces are wonderfully freeform and allow you to place anything anywhere on the page.

Terminology

An **idea space** is just a blank canvas. Like a giant whiteboard, you can write or draw anything anywhere within an idea space. However, unlike a whiteboard, you can also add images, documents, web links, movies, sounds, contacts, mail messages, and calendar events.

The key feature is the amazing, freeform environment supported by Curio's idea spaces. An idea space can be as structured or messy as you wish emphasizing that it's your project notebook and it can look exactly the way you like it.

An **idea space style** defines just the look of the idea space. You can apply a style to a new or existing idea space. The style includes color and grid information, for example, but does not include boilerplate text or other figure elements.

On the other hand, an **idea space template** is a re-usable idea space that defines the look and includes boilerplate figure elements, such as text figures, collections, and images. You cannot apply a template to an existing idea space, as that would wipe out your existing figures. When you use a template you are creating a copy of that original template.

If you change or update the original style or template Curio does *not* change any instances either in the current project or in projects stored on your hard disk. The change will only be reflected in new instances that you create or apply in the future. However, Curio Professional users have access to a new feature called **masters** that allow this functionality which we'll discuss later.

Working with Idea Spaces

Since an idea space is simply an item in the Organizer, see the pages above that detail how to use the Organizer for more information on adding, deleting, and managing idea space Organizer items.