A Personal Note

Backups

We have thousands of Curio customers around the world who use Curio for their important notebooks: work projects, personal projects, client designs, doctoral dissertations, class notes, and much, much more. We couldn't be more thrilled and proud at what you're able to create and achieve with Curio.

With such important data please be sure to backup you projects. Accidents happen, laptops are dropped, lightning can strike, bugs exist, and hard disks do die. Backups are easy to do, take only 5 minutes to implement, and are quite inexpensive for the peace of mind they provide. Check out one or more of the options below.

Local Backups
Mac OS X supports a wonderfully integrated backup solution called [Time Machine](). Every hour all your important documents and applications are backed up to an external drive. I use [OWC's drives]() and have always found them fast, quiet, and reliable; [LaCie]() is another popular vendor. The Time Machine interface for exploring older versions of your files is a delight to use.

Cloud Backups
Next, a cloud backup service is highly recommended. I personally use [BackBlaze](). They offer unlimited backups and support monthly, 12-month, and 24-month plans. Paying $95 for two years of unlimited backups to an offsite cloud is a pretty darn good deal. Other services include [CrashPlan](), [Carbonite](), and [Mozy]().

Whole Disk Backups
You can also implement a whole-disk backup plan with either [Carbon Copy Cloner]() or [SuperDuper](). Either application can create a bootable backup disk on an external drive—basically an exact, up-to-date copy of your internal drive. So if you have a catastrophic disk crash you can simply boot off this external disk and you're instantly up and running with no need to re-install OS X and recover from either Time Machine or a backup service.