

THQ hopes to draw in artists with tablet for Wii

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(AP) -- Video game publisher THQ hopes to draw in artistically inclined fans when it launches its uDraw GameTablet for the Wii this year.

The \$70 add-on accessory to Nintendo Co.'s popular game console is aimed mainly at 6- to 12-year-olds. Players will be able to make drawing and sketches, or play games such as "Pictionary."

Wedbush Morgan analyst Michael Pachter says he's surprised <u>Nintendo</u> didn't come out with one on its own. With no marketing, he believes THQ Inc. will be able to sell at least 1 million tablets.

The GameTablet is 9 inches wide and 7 inches long. To use it, you pop in the Wii's controller, which also powers the gadget, and use an attached stylus pen to create pictures or play games.

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