

**Virtual**

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## Chapter 1

# Virtual

### 1.1 main

VirtualIcons v0.6

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Purpose

- What's it good for?

Usage

- How do I use it?

Bugs!

- What CANT it do?

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Go RED!

- Are you RED When Excited?

### 1.2 Hmm, so what does it do?

What Is It?

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Scenario 1 - You have the latest AminetCD, but you hate the MagicWB icons. You'd like to use NewIcons, but how?

Scenario 2 - You boot your machine with a CD in the drive. It appears in the top left corner of Workbench making your harddrive icons appear in strange places. How can I put this CD icon somewhere else and KEEP it there?

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Scenario 3 - All the icons on a CD are mis-aligned..how untidy. Any way of tidying it all up?

Answer - YES!

This little prog lets you snapshot / edit icons from a read-only device and KEEP the changes! (or ANY device..e.g. Ram Disk)

Unlike that commercial 'Write-CD' which costs money and has a confusing advert which leads many people to believe that it really DOES let you write to CDs, this is a small, freeware program that does almost the same job!

### 1.3 How do I use it?

#### Usage

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Copy to your C: or whatever directory, and add this line to S:user-startup

```
run <>NIL: C:VirtualIcons
```

or

```
run <>NUL: C:VirtualIcons path
```

where path is the directory to place icons. If no path is specified, SYS:Virtual/ is used

2.

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Copy the file VirtualIcons.prefs to ENVARC:

In this file, you can add entries for the names of the devices you want 'patched'. A good example is :

```
Aminet#?
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```
CUCD#?
```

```
AFCD#?
```

3.

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Restart your machine!

#### How It Works

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When your Amiga tries to read or write an icon, it will check to see if the volume it's located matches the patterns in the list above. If so, VirtualIcons will read/write it in :

```
<path>/<volume>/<dir1></dir2>..../<filename.info>
```

or if you did not specify a path -

```
SYS:Virtual/<volume>/<dir1></dir2>..../<filename.info>
```

e.g. If you have Aminet18 in the CD drive and you want to snapshot the Docs drawer, inside the Tools directory, VirtualIcons will create the icon in : `<path>/Aminet18/Tools/Docs.info`

(the directories are automagically created, so no need to worry about that)

## 1.4 Bugs?

Bugs

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Only 1 that I know of.... SwazInfo checks the drive you're doing the Icon Information on and will disable the Save button if it's write-protected. Press Amiga-0 (Original Function) to be able to save the icon.

## 1.5 Who?

Author

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This little tool was written by Steve Matty, aka BillRiker on #amiga

Greets to :

Bevinabox

HammerD

SimD

Darwin

aTmosh

Babbage

admvorlon

tecnotecnotecnotecno

Fingers

RMerlin

Agima

gr8ron

Dr\_Ash

worms

manatee

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Troels  
Tronan  
Laire  
Mitchman  
newlook  
Davey

...and everyoneelse I forgot!

## 1.6 Exciting

Red When Excited

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A dedicated Amiga developer, currently behind such fab products as:

BlitzBombers - The game EVERYBODY wants to play! Coming SOOOON! :)  
Blitz Support Suite - The ULTIMATE Blitz development toolkit  
VirtualIcons - THIS!  
REDRegistry - Win95 style registry  
REDDock - Dockbar / StartMenu / AllThingsBrightAndBeautiful

and more! Probably.

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