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## **Chapter 1**

# IconAppearer@database

#### 1.1 IconAppearer.guide

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### 1.2 IconAppearer.guide/Introduction

Introduction

IconAppearer was designed to improve the consistency of the Workbench. It tries to notify the Workbench when icons are changed, created, deleted or renamed. For example while unpacking an LHA-archive you can watch the icons appear on the Workbench if the appropriate window is open.

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IconAppearer uses a private workbench function so it's a hack. Use it at your own risk. Anyway: on my system and those of my betatesters, it is running stable.

#### 1.3 IconAppearer.guide/System requirements

System requirements

"IconAppearer" needs OS 3.0 (V39) to operate Higher and lower versions seem to work but it's a hack so there's no real guarantee.

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package.

#### 1.5 IconAppearer.guide/Installation

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Installation
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Simply copy "IconAppearer" to your SYS:WBStartup - Drawer and reboot your system. That's it ;-)

#### 1.6 Program Usage

Program Usage

Since there are currently no parameters for "IconAppearer", simply start it or let it be.

#### 1.7 Acknowledgements

Special thanks go to:

Gerhard Müller for ADHelp, which sped up the development of IconAppearer quite a lot.

Christian Buchner for betatesting IconAppearer, discovering and documenting the private workbench.library calls and BaudBandit.device.

#### 1.8 Internals

Internals

IconAppearer patches some functions of the dos.library to discover changes of icon files. The functions patched are:

Open(), OpenFromLock(), Close(), Rename(), DeleteFile().

When an icon file is changed a private workbench.library call is used to notify the workbench.

Because of the above patches some virus-killers may think IconAppearer is a virus but it isn't.

#### 1.9 EventWare

EventWare

IconAppearer is EventWare. That means, if you use it for more than 2
weeks, try to get a copy of my program Event! (currently version 1.2) and

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register it.
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If you have already registered Event! take this program as a gift from the author.

When you register please don't forget to mention the keyword IconAppearer.

You may filerequest Event! from my boss: amiganet#39:171/207 with the magic EVENT. It is also available for ftp as event12.lha (53784 bytes).

#### 1.10 IconAppearer.guide/How to reach the author

How to reach the author

If you have any questions about "IconAppearer" you can reach me in AmigaNet. Please write a crashmail to Stefan Hochmuth at 39:171/207.42, since the link is very unreliable at the moment.

Send ideas, registrations for Event! and bugreports to:

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### 1.11 IconAppearer.guide/Program History

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- first public release