# iScreensaver Designer

## **About this Software**

iScreensaver Designer is a screensaver editor and builder. With it, you can use any QuickTime compatible movies or pictures (including MPEG, MooV, AVI, FLASH, JPEG, PICT, TIFF, GIF, etc.) and turn them into a screensaver for both Macintosh and Windows computers. The software will automatically create an "installer" program for you, for easy distribution of your screensaver via the Internet. The Installer will easily, and automatically, install the software on the end-user's computer. You can customize the screensaver control panel and installer windows with your own text and images for a fully-branded corporate look and feel.

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## **Version 3.4:** Feb 14, 2006

## **Intel Macs**

- We now support the new Apple Macs with Intel CPUs. Screensavers for Mac OS X will install as a Universal Binary format. This increases Mac OS X savers in size by about 300KB across the board.
- Note: iScreensaver Designer will also run on Intel Macs. However, it runs under Rosetta, not as a Universal Binary.

#### iScreensaver Designer

- Closing the advanced slide show editor with a music file playing could cause a crash under Windows. Fixed.
- Build progress dialog details was showing the wrong "Slide Show Size". Fixed.
- New sample project: "Interactive Project" demonstrates creating an interactive project using Flash. Sample .FLA file is included.
- Saving: Project file save errors will give you the chance to do a "Save As" instead. In prior versions, you would just lose any changes w/o warning.
- Audio File Type Warnings: Selecting a m4a (aac, unprotected) file no longer warns. Selecting a m4p (protected) gives a warning about DRMd files not working for others.

#### Double-Byte Language Systems

- Installers and savers have further improvements to work more reliably on Japanese, Chinese and other double-byte language systems. (Version 3.3 would often give incorrect "Not registered" messages, be missing customization text, or fail to show the proper images and movies)
- Name of iScreensaver Preferences folder name no longer has non-ASCII character in it, for better compatibility.
- Please note that iScreensaver does not offer Unicode support, so you should try to use plain ASCII wherever possible.

#### Screensavers

- In Mac OS X, unregistered screensavers were sometimes putting up the "Not Registered" warning dialog 100% of the time, which was not nice. Now only shows up 1 in 4 uses on average.
- Increased performance & quality of visual effects on all platforms.

## Screensaver Installer / Uninstaller

- Revamped the dialog box sequence when you don't have the right version of QuickTime loaded. Buttons are labeled better ("Download", "Continue", "Cancel"). You can choose "continue" to ignore the warning. If you do there is a secondary "are you sure" warning. We don't bother with the "you must use the recommended download" any more as it's no longer a problem in QuickTime installers.
- Updated link URL to QuickTime installers for several OS versions.

#### Wizard

• Select audio button defaults to appropriate folder: "~/Documents/Music" on Mac OS X, "My Music" on Windows.

# **Version 3.3**: Feb 1, 2005

#### General

- For Mac OS X, the software is now provided in a standard pkg / .dmg installer format. A traditional StuffIt version is available for Mac OS 9 users.
- For Windows, we have updated to the InnoSetup 5 installer for better compatibility.
- Installers and savers work on Japanese and other double-byte language systems. (Version 3.2 would often give incorrect "Not registered" messages or fail to show slide show images)
- Installers and savers work on Mac OS X 10.1 again
- Miscellaneous artwork and text improvements.

#### Screensavers

- Significant performance and quality improvements for video effects on Mac OS X.
- Savers now play nicely on dual monitor systems on Mac OS X.
- No more 'orphaned' processes under Windows -- this was preventing uninstall from working and causing other issues.
- Customizations ("Branding") on the control panel now work consistently.
- Rotated and scaled images are now displayed the same across all platforms (Mac OS 9, X, and Windows) Note: rotation always keeps the image the same size on screen regardless of rotation. This can result in cropping depending on the image/screen sizes and rotation angle.
- Slide show image flip horizontal and vertical now works.

- Energy saver now functions again on Mac OS X during movie playback (work around for an Apple QuickTime bug).
- Background color on movie and slide show now correct on Mac OS X.
- Background color for the Alternate (Locked) movie now works under Mac OS X.

#### Installer / Uninstaller

- Uninstaller now faster and more reliable on all versions of Windows.
- Wallpaper installation and uninstallation is more consistent.
- Re-installing the same screensaver clears out old custom settings (lock code, stretch mode, audio volume, etc).
- Removes aliases from Apple Menu Items folder during uninstall on Mac OS 9.
- Proper default screensaver control panel icon installed under Windows.

## Movie Editor

- Warns if movie has a non-zero resource fork.
- Warns for large (>10MB) and very large (>100MB) movies.
- Warns if movie file couldn't be opened by QuickTime.

## Slide Show Editor

- Display of slides no longer uses improper cached image.
- Original image size values correctly displayed.
- Audio playbar displays properly on Windows.
- On Macintosh, image browser no longer tries to display Aliases from non-mounted network volumes.

#### Build

- "Shell timeout" errors on Windows have been fixed when revealing files.
- The Cancel button no longer can leave the build in an half-cancelled state.
- QuickTime version popup goes to 7 now, defaults to 6.5.

#### Wizard

- Movie previews now dislay properly on Windows.
- Navigation to final "Purchase" panel is now consistent.
- Changing the stretch mode now forces a re-build when needed.

## **Version 3.2**: Jan 22, 2004

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- The Help window was causing crashes in Mac OS X 10.3 (Panther) when it opened. Fixed.
- Cosmetic issues in Mac OS X 10.3 (Panther) editor fixed.

- Windows builds are no longer corrupted if you use a picture for the icon that is not 32x32 pixels.
- Edit Movie window: now properly displays the movie with controller in all 3 stretch modes.
- Tab order improved on "Build" tab.
- Weird bug where movie would be shown in the wrong stretch mode fixed.

## Saver

- Savers should now work in Mac OS X 10.3 (Panther) with password protection turned ON (tested), as well as third party utilities which play the saver as the desktop image under other versions of OS X (not tested).
- Clicking the mouse in movie content area should now wake up movie screensavers in all cases.
- On OSX, movie savers fade up with background color already displayed.
- Memory calculations & warnings should work properly on systems with up to 4GB of memory.
- The Personal and Non-commercial installation warning messages are reworded and now use the Note icon instead of the Caution icon.
- The unregistered or personal warning messages upon wake up are now separate:

If built with unregistered code: always show.

If built with Personal code but on different machine: show 33% of the time.

• Windows: The saver will now function as a saver if installed in a subfolder of C:\WINDOWS (this allows manual installation into other folders for locked-down systems, i.e. C:\WINDOWS\SYSTEM32 )

# **Version 3.1.1**: Jul 10, 2003

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[win] Crash at startup splash screen fixed.

[all] Win32 exe's now have proper version #

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**Version 3.1**: July 1, 2003

Latest change info is on website:

<a href="http://iscreensaver.net/new31.shtml">http://iscreensaver.net/new31.shtml</a>

# **Version 3.0.1**: Mar 07, 2003

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[os9] Use of splash screen led to blank windows in Editor. Fixed.

[all] When loading or building a slide show, if an image is missing, but it can be found in the same folder as the project file, it will be found automatically.

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no changes.

**Version 3.0**: Feb 26, 2003

# A major new release, too many features to list.

Latest change info is on website:

<a href="http://iscreensaver.net/ubbcgi/forumdisplay.cgi">http://iscreensaver.net/ubbcgi/forumdisplay.cgi</a>?

action=topics&forum=Designer+3.0+Support&number=8>

# **Version 2.0.5**: Sep 27, 2002

## Screensaver

[win] The UnInstall button was broken under NT and XP. It now works properly.

[win] The 'Preview' button was broken under NT and XP (It would show the Install dialog by accident). Fixed.

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no changes.

## **Version 2.0.4**:

This was an internal release that was not distributed.

## **Version 2.0.3**: Dec 04, 2001

## Screensaver

[win] Fixes a bug where the user-changed settings wouldn't stick.

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no changes.

## **Version 2.0.2**: Nov 16, 2001

## Screensaver

[win] Fixes the bug "resuming installation after QuickTime install" which was not actually fixed in 2.0.1.

[win] Unregistered screensavers weren't showing the warning message, leading to a mysterious 5 second black screen. Fixed.

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no changes.

# **Version 2.0.1**: Nov 14, 2001

#### Screensaver

[mac] You can no longer exit screensaver with Apple-Q when password protection is on.

[mac] Password string was getting corrupted, now is saved properly.

[mac] Settings return to sensible defaults if you delete the preferences file instead of zero values.

[win] Resuming screensaver installation after QuickTime install now works.

[win] Fixed bug where install would fail if you had more than 4gig of free disk space.

[mac] Better handling of window placement when you change the screen resolution.

[win] Cosmetic issues with preview window under Windows XP.

[win] Fixed bug where screensaver would fail to uninstall.

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[mac] Fixed a bug in the Windows menu that would somtimes show the toolTip window by mistake.

[mac] Closing the project window now quits the application, as on windows.

[mac] If you cancel the quit process (by cancelling a Save dialog) the application recovers properly.

[both] Project window list scrolls to show last item.

[both] Added more tooltips.

[both] Fixed two bugs when saving the unsaved file during a quit/close: Now, adds project to project list, and won't give bogus save error if you cancel.

[win] Fixed some cosmetic issues under Windows XP.

**Version 2.0**: Oct 30, 2001

Initial relase.