MAITRE-D MENU

(Evaluation Version 4.0)

Your Window's menu (shell) is used more than any other program you have. However, other menus either lack many useful features, or are so complicated they become difficult to use. MAITRE-D gives you the quick, easy tools to create a menu with the exact 'look and feel' you want, and greatly simplifies the process of menu management. Features like 'drag-and-drop' menu-item arrangement, 'browse' menu-item creation, text and background color-customization, panel-image display, and full 3-D display, make MAITRE-D the most professional looking, fully-featured Windows menu available. MAITRE-D is a pleasure to use, and taking a few minutes to learn the basic features will be time well spent.

EVALUATION TERMS

From the time of installation, you have 60 days to evaluate this copy of MAITRE-D. To continue using the program, you must purchase a registered copy for the low direct price of \$25.00, which includes shipping, handling, and all applicable taxes, from:

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You are allowed to distribute evaluation copies of MAITRE-D, however the program must remain unaltered in any way, and the following files MUST be included:

DDEML.DLL EVALSET.EXE M-GLAZE.BMP M-MARBLE.BMP M-ONYX.BMP M-QUARTZ.BMP M-STONE.BMP MAITRED.EXE MAITRED.WRI MCONVERT.EXE README.TXT SETUP.EXE SETUP.LST SETUPKIT.DLL THREED.VBX VBRUN300.DLL VER.DL_

MAITRE-D BASIC FEATURES

<u>CLOCK</u>: Click/hold the left mouse button on the white 'Clock' on MAIN MENU. Displays current system time.

<u>HELP</u> (on-line): Click the 'Question Mark' on MAIN MENU. Click CLOSE HELP button to exit. OPTIONS: Click the 'OPTION' text on MAIN MENU. (OPTIONS MENU SCREEN below)

<u>RUN PROGRAM</u>: Click on the black 'Arrow Head' on MAIN MENU. Select drive, directory and executable file. Click OK button to run program.

MINIMIZE MENU: Click on the MAITRE-D icon on MAIN MENU.

MAXIMIZE MENU: Double-click on the Windows desktop or the MAITRE-D icon.

<u>MOVE MENU</u>: Select the desired 'Menu Screen Position' radio-button in OPTIONS. (OPTIONS MENU SCREEN below).

OK BUTTON: (Green check-mark button), saves (or runs) and exits current screen.

DELETE BUTTON: (Eraser button), deletes selection and exits current screen.

CANCEL BUTTON: (Red 'X' button), exits current screen without saving changes.

EXIT BUTTON: (Red arrow/door button), closes all programs, and exits Windows environment (on OPTIONS screen only).

<u>ADD EXECUTABLE (see examples below)</u>: Click on the '+' (plus) button near the top of each menu. Select the drive, directory, and executable file. Click on the 'StartUp Directory' button to select program 'run-file', if any. Edit executable title to desired menu title, in the 'menu title field' (above 'CANCEL' button). Edit desired color changes by clicking on color bar ... (1) left mouse button changes text color, (2) right mouse button changes panel background color, (3) SHIFT + left mouse button changes text shadow color. Select program run-state from drop-down list ... normal, minimized, or maximized. Click OK button to add new Executable entry and exit screen.

<u>EXAMPLE #1</u>: If you want to start a program (i.e. Word for Windows), and load a file with the program (i.e. 'Calendar.doc') (1) first locate, then highlight the executable file (winword.exe), using the 'browse' windows; (2) next, click the 'Start-Up Directory' button; (3) then, locate and

select the file (calendar.doc); (4) then, click the 'OK' button (the new directory is added to the 'StartUp Directory' field, and the new 'Run-File' is added after the executable file); (5) and finally, edit the menu title and color (as desired), and click the 'OK' button to add the new menu item.

<u>EXAMPLE #2</u>: If you want to start a program (i.e., PUBLISHER), and point to a specified directory (i.e., CLIPART), without running a file (1) first locate, then highlight the executable file 'MSPUB.EXE', using the 'browse' windows; (2) next, click the 'StartUp Directory' button; (3) then, locate and double-click on the desired 'startup directory'; (4) then, click the 'OK' button (the new directory is added to the 'StartUp Directory' field); (5) finally, edit the menu title and color (as desired), and click the 'OK' button to add the new menu item.

ADD SUB-MENU: Click on the '+' (plus) button near the top of each menu. Click on the 'Sub' radio button. Type the name of the desired name of the 'Sub-Menu'. Edit desired color changes by clicking on color bar ... left mouse button changes text color. Click OK button to add new Sub-Menu entry and exit screen.

<u>EDIT EXE/SUB</u>: SHIFT + left mouse button click on the EXE or SUB you want to edit. Make desired changes as described above. Click OK button to save changes and exit screen.

<u>DELETE EXE/SUB</u>: SHIFT + left mouse button click on the EXE or SUB you want to delete. Click DELETE button to erase selected EXE or SUB and exit screen.

<u>DRAG-N-DROP EXE/SUB</u>: Click/hold right mouse button on the EXE or SUB you want to move. Drop executables on any visible sub-menu button, or menu title panel. Drop sub-menus on any visible menu title panel.

<u>CHANGE MAIN MENU TITLE:</u> SHIFT + left mouse button click on the MAIN MENU title panel. Make desired text changes. Left mouse button changes text color. Right mouse button changes background color. SHIFT + left mouse button changes 'shadow' color.

<u>CHANGE MENU FONT</u>: Click on 'Menu Fonts...' button on OPTIONS screen. (MENU FONTS SCREEN below)

<u>CHANGE MENU BACKGROUND</u>: Double-click on menu panel borders, or click on 'Menu Backs...' button in OPTIONS. (BACKGROUND OPTIONS SCREEN below)

<u>EXIT WINDOWS</u>: Double-click the red MAITRE-D title text (top of Main Menu), or select EXIT button in OPTIONS. (OPTIONS MENU SCREEN below)

OPTIONS MENU SCREEN

<u>SHOW ICON</u> checkbox: If checked, MAITRE-D icon is visible when menu is minimized. If unchecked, MAITRE-D is 'invisible' when minimized (double-click to restore).

LOAD AS ICON checkbox: If checked, MAITRE-E loads as icon at start-up. If unchecked, MAITRE-D maximized.

<u>SAVE ICON POSITION</u> checkbox: If checked, the MAITRE-D icon will always be displayed in the last position it was moved. If unchecked, the icon will be displayed in the usual position.

<u>ICON ALWAYS VISIBLE</u> checkbox: If checked, the MAITRE-D icon will remain visible 'on top' of all other active Windows applications. If unchecked, the icon does not remain 'on top'.

<u>MINIMIZE ON USE</u> checkbox: If checked, the MAITRE-D menu will become iconized (or invisible, depending on checkbox selections) when an Executable menu item is activated. If unchecked, the menu remains maximized when an Executable is activated.

BOLD MENU TEXT checkbox: If checked, the Executable menu text is bold.

CENTER MENU TEXT checkbox: If checked, the Executable menu text is centered.

<u>CONFIRM SYSTEM EXIT</u> checkbox: If checked, when the EXIT button is clicked, a confirmation box appears before exiting the Windows environment. If unchecked, no message appears before shut-down.

<u>MENU SCREEN POSITION</u> radio buttons: Clicking on the radio button changes the menu screen position.

ARRANGE ALL ICONS button: Re-arranges all Windows icons that have been moved.

<u>ABOUT MAITRE-D</u> button: Displays MAITRE-D credits and information screen. Click anywhere on the screen to exit.

MENU BACKS... button: Displays 'BACKGROUND OPTIONS' screen. See below.

MENU FONTS... button: Displays 'MENU FONTS' screen. See below.

<u>Time/Date</u> Field: Displays current system Day, Date, and Time.

System Usage Field: Displays the percentage of available system resources.

<u>K-bytes Free</u> Field: Displays the Kilobytes of available RAM (standard or real mode), or available Virtual Memory (enhanced mode).

<u>CPU</u> Field: Displays the type of Central Processing Unit in use.

Co-Processor Field: Displays the type of Math Co-Processor (if installed).

Windows Mode Field: Displays current Windows mode ... Enhanced, Standard, or Real.

OK button: Saves current OPTION settings, and exits screen.

EXIT button: Exits Windows environment (confirms exit if selected).

(Hint: to run MAITRE-D menu in a totally 'invisible' mode ... (1) check 'Show Icon', then (2) check 'Load as Icon', then (3) uncheck 'Show Icon', then (4) check 'Minimize on Use', and then, (5) click the OK button.)

(Hint: to have the menu immediately available, without having to reduce, move, or minimize other Windows applications ... (1) check 'Show Icon', then (2) check 'Icon Always Visible', then (3) check 'Minimize on Use', and then (4) click the OK button. Also, check the 'Save Icon Position', if you want have the icon to always show in a desired screen location.)

MENU FONTS SCREEN

EXE radio button: Displays font style and size for Executable menu items.

<u>SUB</u> radio button: Displays font style and size for Sub-Menu items.

<u>PREVIEW</u> checkbox: If checked, changes in selected font style and size are display immediately. If unchecked, changes are not displayed until the OK button is clicked, and the screen exited. <u>CHANGE MENU FONT</u>: (1) check 'Preview', then (2) click either 'Exe' or 'Sub' radio button, then

(3) select desired font style and/or size, and then (4) click OK button to save and exit.

BACKGROUND OPTIONS SCREEN

<u>SHOW PANEL LINES</u> checkbox: If checked, displays double-raised menu panel. If unchecked, displays single-raised menu panels.

<u>SHOW PANEL IMAGE</u> checkbox: If checked, displays selected panel image immediately. If unchecked, displays panel image at OK/exit.

<u>PREVIEW IMAGE</u> checkbox: If checked, the selected image file is displayed immediately. If unchecked, image is not displayed until the OK button is clicked, and the screen exited.

<u>Pixels High</u> Field: Displays image height in pixels.

Pixels Wide Field: Displays image width in pixels.

<u>CHANGE PANEL BACKGROUND IMAGE</u>: Check 'Preview Image' and 'Show Panel Image' checkboxes. Select drive and directory containing images (.BMP, .ICO, .WMF, and .RLE). Select desired image file. Click OK button to save and exit.

<u>CHANGE PANEL BACKGROUND COLOR</u>: Uncheck 'Show Panel Image' checkbox. Click desired color from 'Color Bar'. Click OK button to save and exit.

(Hint: Large, 256 color images, used as panel backgrounds, take up unnecessary system resources. Smaller, 16 color images are recommended.)

WINDOWS SYSTEM.INI FILE

When MAITRE-D is installed as your Windows shell, the SYSTEM.INI file in the Windows directory is changed, and the following lines appear:

SHELL=MAITRED.EXE

TASKMAN.EXE=MAITRED.EXE

To change your shell, edit the 'SHELL' line, and remove the 'TASKMAN' line. If Program Manager is to be installed as the shell, for example, and if PROGMAN.EXE is in your path, then the line would read as follows:

SHELL=PROGMAN.EXE

(delete the line 'taskman.exe=maitred.exe')

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