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DLL Functions

We strongly suggest that you use the extensive support classes and functions provided for the individual languages instead of calling the DLLs directly. The following DLL functions are provided for reference and should not be called directly unless you have a thorough understanding of how to use them.

Light Lib Multimedia mGet() mPut()

Light Lib Objects <u>oAccess()</u> <u>oAssign()</u> <u>oNew()</u> <u>oDel()</u>

Constants

DLL Constants Light Lib Objects Constants

System Constants

LLM_CLASS_APPLICATION LLM_CLASS_MULTIMEDIA

LLM_APPLICATION_IDLE := 0x03000001 // LLM_CLASS_APPLICATION + 0x0001 LLM_APPLICATION_VERSION := 0x03000002 // LLM_CLASS_APPLICATION + 0x0002

Constants

LLM_AVI_COORD_BOTTOM	:= 0x03020004 // LLM_CLASS_AVI + 0x0004
LLM_AVI_COORD_HEIGHT	:= 0x03020007 //LLM_CLASS_AVI + 0x0007
LLM_AVI_COORD_LEFT	:= 0x03020002 //LLM_CLASS_AVI + 0x0002
LLM_AVI_COORD_MAXIMIZE	:= 0x03020008 //LLM_CLASS_AVI + 0x0008
LLM_AVI_COORD_RESIZE	:= 0x03020009 //LLM_CLASS_AVI + 0x0009
LLM_AVI_COORD_RIGHT	:= 0x03020005 //LLM_CLASS_AVI + 0x0005
LLM_AVI_COORD_TOP	:= 0x03020003 //LLM_CLASS_AVI + 0x0003
LLM_AVI_COORD_WIDTH	:= 0x03020006 //LLM_CLASS_AVI + 0x0006
LLM_AVI_NAME	:= 0x03020001// LLM_CLASS_AVI + 0x0001
LLM_AVI_SIZE := 0x03	020010 //LLM_CLASS_AVI + 0x001

Introduction

Welcome to Light Lib Multimedia!

Light Lib Multimedia was designed to be the easiest multimedia library available for Windows application developers. Light Lib Multimedia is highly optimized for very fast processing.

Light Lib Multimedia's amazing speed is based on excellent internal image processing.

Light Lib Multimedia was developed with the following goals in mind:

Ease of Use	It is very easy to integrate Light Lib Multimedia into existing applications. There exists less than a dozen core functions which provide the power needed to manage multimedia applications.
Execution speed	Execution speed is excellent.
Language Support	Providing DLLs is not enough. All Light Lib products for Windows come with extensive language support which make it effortless to introduce Light Lib libraries using established and familiar syntax. Light Lib products are the best solution if you need to develop applications with various Windows languages. There is no need to learn different libraries because Light Lib products provide support for the following WIndows application development languages,
	Borland C++

Borland C++ Microsoft C/C++ Microsoft Visual Basic CA-Visual Objects

Light Lib Multimedia is comprised of a small set of core functions which provide all of the necessary services Above the core is the language support layer which provides simple interface to the core functions in the desired language. Language support is provided MS-Visual Basic, CA-Visual Objects, and C/C++ Windows Development Systems..

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No help available for this section.

Using Light Lib Multimedia

The easiest way to learn any new concept is by example. Each installed language has the source code to its own set of demonstration programs. Please reference them to gain a good understanding of how to use Light Lib Multimedia.

If you are familiar with object-oriented programming, you will find it useful to implement OOP concepts.

How to use this Help

This help system was designed to provide quick access to information. Help is provided for the extensive language support and for the supplied Light Lib Multimedia and Light Lib Objects DLLs.

We strongly suggest that you use the individual language support with your applications!

When help for a language is selected, you will be prompted with an overview of all support classes and/or functions. There is also a "How Do I?" section which provides step-by-step instructions on various common tasks.

A secondary window will open containing details and descriptions when any of these items are selected. This window is set to always stay on top. That way once a help topic is selected, you can continue working without losing focus on this window. To close it, simply select the window's system menu and select Close.

Quick Start

See the sample application are provided for each supported language. You should execute the sample application and experiment with the features in order to gain a good understanding of how Light Lib Multimedia works.

Overview

Light Lib Multimedia is an easy to implement multimedia library.

Readme

Compatibility

Windows Screen Drivers

Light Lib Multimedia is compatible with all installed Windows screen drivers.

Windows Printer Drivers

Light Lib Multimedia is compatible with all installed Windows printer drivers.

Callback Functions

Light Lib Multimedia uses "Callback" functions to provide your applications with the ability to do something while data is processed.

Referencing an object from a Callback Function

In general, multimedia data is attached to objects (for example a window), but when Light Lib Multimedia executes a callback function which is not a method, the reference to "self" is lost. In this case, we suggest that "self" be passed to one of the user defined parameters. This gives your callback function a reference to "self" which provides access to all the methods and instance variables. This is very useful object oriented programming.

BLOBs

Light Lib Multimedia supports BLOB (Binary Large OBjects) data formats in that you are able to convert multi media data into a BLOB and vice versa. This allows you to store multi media data to files which support BLOBs.

BLOB's are supported internally at this time. In the near future, the API will be published.

What's New...

Appendices

Dithering Techniques Stripping Algorithm

CA-Visual Objects Functions and Classes

The CA-Visual Objects support AEF supplied with Light Lib Multimedia should not be modified directly since this support layer calls the Light Lib Objects DLL directly. Functions which should never be modified are explicitly labeled in the AEF itself.

Classes

LightLibAvi LightLibMIDI LightLibWav SoundPlayWindowControl SoundWindow VideoPlayWindowControl VideoWindow

Functions

dwLightLibApp()
dwLightLibAppRegister()
dwLightLibAppUnRegister()

Samples Simple Sound In Window How Do I?

CA-Visual Objects

General

Add sound to my application Add video to my application

System Register and unregister an application

Add sound to my application

Add video to my application

LightLibAVI Class

Purpose

Properties

CoordinateBottom Access/Assign CoordinateLeft Access/Assign CoordinateMaximize Access/Assign CoordinateRight Access/Assign CoordinateTop Access/Assign FileName Access/Assign IsPlaying Access Modal Access/Assign Name Access/Assign OnError Access/Assign Size Access/Assign

Methods

CoordinateResize() Destroy() Information() Init() Pause() Play() SaveAs() Stop()

System Properties

These properties are used internally. The are provided as reference only and should **NEVER** be accessed directly in your applications. <u>cbOnError Export</u> <u>oWindowOwner Export</u>

Inherits From

(No ancestors)

Inherited By

(No descendants)

LightLibAVI:CoordinateBottom Access/Assign

Description

LightLibAVI:CoordinateLeft Access/Assign

Description

LightLibAVI:CoordinateMaximize Access/Assign

Description

LightLibAVI:CoordinateRight Access/Assign

Description

LightLibAVI:CoordinateTop Access/Assign

Description

LightLibAVI:FileName Access/Assign

Description

LightLibAVI:IsPlaying Access

Description

LightLibAVI:Modal Access/Assign

Description

LightLibAVI:Name Access/Assign

Description

LightLibAVI:OnError Access/Assign

Description

LightLibAVI:Size Access/Assign

Description

LightLibAVI:cbOnError Export

Description

LightLibAVI:dwSelf Export

Description

LightLibAVI:oWindowOwner Export

Description

LightLibAVI:CoordinateReSize() Method

Purpose

Maximize the coordinates

Syntax

<oLightLibAVI>:CoordinateReSize() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

LightLibAVI:Destroy() Method

Purpose

Destroy the LigthLibAVI object.

Syntax

<oLightLibAVI>:Destroy() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

LightLibAVI:Information() Method

Purpose

Display a dialog containing information about the AVI data.

Syntax

<oLightLibAVI>:Information() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

LightLibAVI:Init() Method

Purpose

Create a new LightLibAVI object

Syntax

LightLibAVI{ <oWindowOwner>, <sFileName> } ---> SELF

Arguments

<owindowowner></owindowowner>	Reference to the owner window

<sFileName> AVI file to load

Returns

SELF

LightLibAVI:Pause() Method

Purpose

Pause playing of the AVI

Syntax

<oLightLibAVI>:Pause() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

LightLibAVI:Play() Method

Purpose

Play the AVI

Syntax

<oLightLibAVI>:Play() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

LightLibAVI:SaveAs() Method

Purpose

Save the loaded AVI

Syntax

<oLightLibAVI>:SaveAs(<*sFileName*>) ---> NIL

Arguments

<sFileName> File name.

Returns

LightLibAVI:Stop() Method

Purpose

Stop the playing of the AVI

Syntax

<oLightLibAVI>:Stop() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

LightLibMIDI Class

Purpose

Properties

FileName Access IsPlaying Access IsRecording Access Modal Access/Assign Name Access/Assign OnError Access/Assign Size Access

Methods

Destroy() Information() Init() Pause() Play() SaveAs() Stop()

System Properties

These properties are used internally. The are provided as reference only and should **NEVER** be accessed directly in your applications. <u>cbOnError Export</u>

Inherits From

(No ancestors)

Inherited By

(No descendants)

LightLibMIDI:FileName Access

Description

Name of the MIDI file

Туре

STRING

LightLibMIDI:IsPlaying Access

Description

Туре

LOGICAL

LightLibMIDI:IsRecording Access

Description

Туре

LOGICAL

LightLibMIDI:Modal Access/Assign

Description

LightLibMIDI:Name Access/Assign

Description

Name of the MIDI file

Туре

STRING

LightLibMIDI:OnError Access/Assign

Description

LightLibMIDI:Size Access

Description

Size of the loaded MIDI file.

Туре

INTEGER

LightLibMIDI:cbOnError Export

Description

LightLibMIDI:Destroy() Method

Purpose

Destroy the LightLibMIDI object

Syntax

<oLightLibMIDI>:Destroy() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

LightLibMIDI:Information() Method

Purpose

Display a dialog containing information about the loaded MIDI file.

Syntax

<oLightLibMIDI>:Information() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

LightLibMIDI:Init() Method

Purpose

Create a new LightLibMIDI object

Syntax

LightLibMIDI{ <*sFileName*> } ---> SELF

Arguments

<sFileName> File name

Returns

SELF

LightLibMIDI:Pause() Method

Purpose

Pause

Syntax

<oLightLibMIDI>:Pause() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

LightLibMIDI:Play() Method

Purpose

Play the loaded MIDI file

Syntax

<oLightLibMIDI>:Play() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

LightLibMIDI:SaveAs() Method

Purpose

Save the loaded MIDI file to disk.

Syntax

<oLightLibMIDI>:SaveAs(<sFileName>) ---> NIL

Arguments

<sFileName> File name

Returns

LightLibMIDI:Stop() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oLightLibMIDI>:Stop() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

LightLibWAV Class

Purpose

Properties

FileName Access IsPlaying Access IsRecording Access Name Access/Assign OnError Access/Assign Size Access

Methods

Destroy() Information() Init() Pause() Play() Record() SaveAs() Stop()

System Properties

These properties are used internally. The are provided as reference only and should **NEVER** be accessed directly in your applications. <u>cbOnError Export</u>

Inherits From

(No ancestors)

Inherited By

(No descendants)

LightLibWAV:FileName Access

Description

Name of the WAV file

Туре

STRING

LightLibWAV:IsPlaying Access

Description

Туре

LOGICAL

LightLibWAV:IsRecording Access

Description

Туре

LOGICAL

LightLibWAV:Name Access/Assign

Description

Name of the WAV file

Туре

STRING

LightLibWAV:OnError Access/Assign

Description

LightLibWAV:Size Access

Description

Size of the loaded WAV file.

Туре

INTEGER

LightLibWAV:cbOnError Export

Description

LightLibWAV:dwSelf Export

Description

LightLibWAV:Destroy() Method

Purpose

Destroy the LightLibWAV object

Syntax

<oLightLibWAV>:Destroy() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

LightLibWAV:Information() Method

Purpose

Display a dialog containing information about the loaded WAV file.

Syntax

<oLightLibWAV>:Information() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

LightLibWAV:Init() Method

Purpose

Create a new LightLibWAV object

Syntax

LightLibWAV{ <*sFileName*> } ---> SELF

Arguments

<sFileName> File name

Returns

SELF

LightLibWAV:Pause() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oLightLibWAV>:Pause() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

LightLibWAV:Play() Method

Purpose

Play the loaded WAV file

Syntax

<oLightLibWAV>:Play() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

LightLibWAV:Record() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oLightLibWAV>:Record() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

LightLibWAV:SaveAs() Method

Purpose

Save the loaded WAV file to disk.

Syntax

<oLightLibWAV>:SaveAs(<sFileName>) ---> NIL

Arguments

<sFileName> File name

Returns

LightLibWAV:Stop() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oLightLibWAV>:Stop() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

SoundWindow Class

Purpose

Properties None

Methods

Close() Destroy() FileExit() Information() Init() Load() Open() Pause() Play() Record() SaveAs() Stop()

System Properties

These properties are used internally. The are provided as reference only and should **NEVER** be accessed directly in your applications. <u>oSound Export</u>

Inherits From

(No ancestors)

Inherited By

(No descendants)

SoundWindow:oSound Export

Description

Туре

SoundWindow:Close() Method

Purpose

Close the window

Syntax

<oSoundWindow>:Close(<oEvent>) ---> NIL

Arguments

<oEvent> Event object

Returns

SoundWindow:Destroy() Method

Purpose

Destroy the SoundWindow object

Syntax

<oSoundWindow>:Destroy() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

SoundWindow:FileExit() Method

Purpose

Post a message to close the application

Syntax

<oSoundWindow>:FileExit() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

SoundWindow:Information() Method

Purpose

Display a dialog containing information about the loaded WAV file.

Syntax

<oSoundWindow>:Information() ---> NIL

Arguments

Returns

Description

SoundWindow:Init() Method

Purpose

Create a SoundWindow object.

Syntax

<oSoundWindow>:Init(<oParentWindow>, <sFileName>) ---> SELF

Arguments

<oparentwindow></oparentwindow>	Parent window
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<sFileName> WAV file name

Returns

SELF

SoundWindow:Load() Method

Purpose

Load a WAV file

Syntax

<oSoundWindow>:Load(<*sFileName*>) ---> NIL

Arguments

<sFileName> WAV file name to load

Returns

SoundWindow:Open() Method

Purpose

Display the Open File Dialog for WAV files

Syntax

<oSoundWindow>:Open() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

NIL

Description

If the Open File Dialog returns a file name, it is loaded.

SoundWindow:Pause() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oSoundWindow>:Pause() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

SoundWindow:Play() Method

Purpose

Play the WAV file

Syntax

<oSoundWindow>:Play() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

SoundWindow:Record() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oSoundWindow>:Record() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

SoundWindow:SaveAs() Method

Purpose

Save the loaded WAV file to disk

Syntax

<oSoundWindow>:SaveAs() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

SoundWindow:Stop() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oSoundWindow>:Stop() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

SoundPlayWindowControl Class

Purpose

Properties None

Methods

Destroy() Init() Load() MouseButtonDown() MouseButtonUp() Play() RegisterLightLibDataWindow() Stop()

System Properties

These properties are used internally. The are provided as reference only and should **NEVER** be accessed directly in your applications. <u>oOwner Export</u> <u>oSound Export</u>

Inherits From

(No ancestors)

Inherited By

(No descendants)

SoundPlayWindowControl:oOwner Export

Description

Туре

SoundPlayWindowControl:oSound Export

Description

Туре

SoundPlayWindowControl:Destroy() Method

Purpose

Destroy a SoundPlayWindowControl object.

Syntax

<oSoundPlayWindowControl>:Destroy() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

SoundPlayWindowControl:Init() Method

Purpose

Create a SoundPlayWindowControl object.

Syntax

SoundPlayWindowControl{ <oParentWindow>, <iCtrlID> } ---> SELF

Arguments

<oParentWindow> Parent window

<iCtrlID> Control ID

Returns

SELF

Description

This will create a PushButton object capable of playing sound.

SoundPlayWindowControl:Load() Method

Purpose

Load a WAV file

Syntax

<oSoundPlayWindowControl>:Load(<sFileName>) ---> NIL

Arguments

<sFileName> File name to load

Returns

SoundPlayWindowControl:MouseButtonDown() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oSoundPlayWindowControl>:MouseButtonDown(<oMouseEvent>) ---> NIL

Arguments

<oMouseEvent>

Returns

SoundPlayWindowControl:MouseButtonUp() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oSoundPlayWindowControl>:MouseButtonUp(<oMouseEvent>) ---> NIL

Arguments

<oMouseEvent>

Returns

SoundPlayWindowControl:Play() Method

Purpose

Play the loaded WAV file

Syntax

<oSoundPlayWindowControl>:Play() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

SoundPlayWindowControl:RegisterLightLibDataWindowClient() Method

Purpose

Register the SoundPlayWindowControl control with the LightLibDataWindow object

Syntax

<oSoundPlayWindowControl>:RegisterLightLibDataWindow(<oDataFieldName>) ---> NIL

Arguments

<oDataFieldName> Field name containing the WAV data.

Returns

SoundPlayWindowControl:Stop() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oSoundPlayWindowControl>:Stop() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

SoundRecordWindowControl Class

Purpose

Properties None

Methods

Destroy() Init() Load() MouseButtonDown() MouseButtonUp() Play() Record() RegisterLightLibDataWindow() Stop()

System Properties

These properties are used internally. The are provided as reference only and should **NEVER** be accessed directly in your applications. <u>oOwner Export</u> <u>oSound Export</u>

Inherits From

(No ancestors)

Inherited By

(No descendants)

SoundRecordWindowControl:oOwner Export

Description

Туре

OBJECT

SoundRecordWindowControl:oSound Export

Description

Туре

OBJECT

SoundRecordWindowControl:Destroy() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oSoundRecordWindowControl>:Destroy() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

SoundRecordWindowControl:Init() Method

Purpose

Syntax

SoundRecordWindowControl{ <oParentWindow>, <iCtrlID> } ---> SELF

Arguments

<oparentwindow></oparentwindow>	Parent window
	Falent window

<iCtrIID> Control ID number

Returns

SELF

SoundRecordWindowControl:Load() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oSoundRecordWindowControl>:Load(<sFileName>) ---> NIL

Arguments

<sFileName> File name to load

Returns

SoundRecordWindowControl:MouseButtonDown() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oSoundRecordWindowControl>:MouseButtonDown(<oMouseEvent>) ---> NIL

Arguments

<oMouseEvent> Mouse event object

Returns

SoundRecordWindowControl:MouseButtonUp() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oSoundRecordWindowControl>:MouseButtonUp(<oMouseEvent>) ---> NIL

Arguments

<oMouseEvent> Mouse event object

Returns

SoundRecordWindowControl:Play() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oSoundRecordWindowControl>:Play() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

SoundRecordWindowControl:Record() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oSoundRecordWindowControl>:Record() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

SoundRecordWindowControl:RegisterLightLibDataWindowClient() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oSoundRecordWindowControl>:RegisterLightLibDataWindow(<*cDataFieldName*>) ---> NIL

Arguments

<cDataFieldName> Name of the data field.

Returns

SoundRecordWindowControl:Stop() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oSoundRecordWindowControl>:Stop() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

VideoPlayWindowControl Class

Purpose

Properties BottomLeft Export TopRight Export

Methods

Destroy() DisplayBorder() Expose() Init() Load() MouseButtonDown() MouseButtonUp() Play() RegisterLightLibDataWindowClient() Stop()

System Properties

These properties are used internally. The are provided as reference only and should **NEVER** be accessed directly in your applications. <u>oOwner Export</u>

oVideo Export

Inherits From

(No ancestors)

Inherited By

(No descendants)

VideoPlayWindowControl:BottomLeft Export

Description

VideoPlayWindowControl:TopRight Export

Description

VideoPlayWindowControl:oOwner Export

Description

VideoPlayWindowControl:oVideo Export

Description

VideoPlayWindowControl:Destroy() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oVideoPlayWindowControl>:Destroy() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

VideoPlayWindowControl:DisplayBorder() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oVideoPlayWindowControl>:DisplayBorder() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

VideoPlayWindowControl:Expose() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oVideoPlayWindowControl>:Expose() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

VideoPlayWindowControl:Init() Method

Purpose

Syntax

VideoPlayWindowControl{ } ---> SELF

Arguments

None

Returns

SELF

VideoPlayWindowControl:Load() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oVideoPlayWindowControl>:Load() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

VideoPlayWindowControl:MouseButtonDown() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oVideoPlayWindowControl>:MouseButtonDown(<oMouseEvent>) ---> NIL

Arguments

<oMouseEvent> Mouse event object

Returns

VideoPlayWindowControl:MouseButtonUp() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oVideoPlayWindowControl>:MouseButtonUp(<oMouseEvent>) ---> NIL

Arguments

<oMouseEvent> Mouse event object

Returns

VideoPlayWindowControl:Play() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oVideoPlayWindowControl>:Play() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

VideoPlayWindowControl:RegisterLightLibDataWindowClient() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oVideoPlayWindowControl>:RegisterLightLibDataWindow(<cDataFieldName>) ---> NIL

Arguments

<cDataFieldName> Data Field to be registered

Returns

VideoPlayWindowControl:Stop() Method

Purpose

Syntax

<oVideoPlayWindowControl>:Stop() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

VideoWindow Class

Purpose

Properties None

Methods

Close() Destroy() FileExit() Information() Init() Load() Open() Play() SaveAs()

System Properties

These properties are used internally. The are provided as reference only and should **NEVER** be accessed directly in your applications. <u>oVideo Export</u>

Inherits From

(No ancestors)

Inherited By

(No descendants)

VideoWindow:oVideo Export

Description

VideoWindow:Close() Method

Purpose

Close the window

Syntax

<oVideoWindow>:Close(<oEvent>) ---> NIL

Arguments

<oEvent> Close event.

Returns

VideoWindow:Destroy() Method

Purpose

Destroy the VideoWindow object

Syntax

<oVideoWindow>:Destroy() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

VideoWindow:FileExit() Method

Purpose

Post a message to close the application

Syntax

<oVideoWindow>:FileExit() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

VideoWindow:Information() Method

Purpose

Display a dialog containing information about the AVI data.

Syntax

<oVideoWindow>:Information() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

VideoWindow:Init() Method

Purpose

Create a VideoWindow object

Syntax

VideoWindow{ <oParentWindow>, <sFileName> } ---> SELF

Arguments

<oparentwindow></oparentwindow>	Parent window

<sFileName> AVI file name to load

Returns

SELF

VideoWindow:Load() Method

Purpose

Load an AVI file

Syntax

<oVideoWindow>:Load(<sFileName>) ---> NIL

Arguments

<sFileName> File name to load

Returns

VideoWindow:Open() Method

Purpose

Open the window

Syntax

<oVideoWindow>:Open() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

VideoWindow:Play() Method

Purpose

Play the AVI file

Syntax

<oVideoWindow>:Play() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

VideoWindow:SaveAs() Method

Purpose

Save the loaded AVI file to disk.

Syntax

<oVideoWindow>:SaveAs() ---> NIL

Arguments

None

Returns

mGet()

CA-Visual Objects

Purpose

Load a multimedia file.

Syntax

mGet(dwLLOwner dwDevice dwFormat dwParam1 dwParam2 dwParam3 dwParam4 dwParam5	AS DWORD, AS DWORD, AS DWORD, AS DWORD, AS DWORD, AS DWORD, AS DWORD, AS DWORD)> dwData CallBack
	dwParam5	AS DWORD)> dwData CallBack

Arguments

dwLLOwner	Reference to the Light Lib Multimedia owner object
dwDevice	Device being used. The following are valid
	LLM_DISK
dwFormat	Format of the operation. The following are valid LLM_DISK_AVI LLM_DISK_WAV
dwParam1	Not used
dwParam2	Not used
dwParam3	Not used
dwParam4	Not used
dwParam5	Not used
Returns	
dwData	Multimedia data

CA-Visual Objects

Purpose

mPut()

Play or display a multimedia file.

Syntax

mPut(liLength AS LON dwDevice dwFormat dwParam1 dwParam2 dwParam3 dwParam4	AS LONGINT, GINT, AS DWORD, AS DWORD, AS DWORD, AS DWORD,	
Arguments			
dwLLOwner	Refernce	e to the Light Lib Multimedia owner object	
liStart	Starting offset.		
liLength	Length of the data		
dwDevice	Device being used. The following are valid		
	LLM_DI	SK	
dwFormat	LLM_DI	Format of the operation. The following are valid LLM_DISK_AVI LLM_DISK_WAV	
dwParam1	Not used	Not used	
dwParam2	Not used	Not used	
dwParam3	Not used	Not used	
dwParam4	Not used	Not used	
dwParam5	Not used	d	
Returns			
dwData	Multimed	dia data	

Sample not available yet.

MS-Visual Basic

Functions & Classes

Introduction

Light Lib Multimedia provides several support files for use with MS-Visual Basic.

Files

MS-Visual Basic Functions & Classes

iVBStruct() iVBString2Num() iVBNum2String()

C/C++

Functions & Classes

Introduction

Light Lib Multimedia provides several support files for use with C/C++.

Files

C/C++ Functions & Classes

Common Problems and Questions

Unable to load a DLL at runtime DLL Crashes Out of Memory Tips & Techniques

Editions

Light Lib Multimedia comes in two editions. Light Lib Multimedia and Light Lib Multimedia Pro.

Light Lib Multimedia

Light Lib Multimedia Pro

In addition to the standard features, the Pro edition provides support for more advanced and paperful capabilities.

iBlob2MM()

DLL Functions

Purpose

Convert a BLOB structure pointer to a multi media structure pointer.

Syntax

iBlob2lmg(Blob) -> ptrMM

Arguments

Blob Pointer to a BLOB data structure. It must be the result of //\

Returns

ptrMM Pointer to mulit media structure

Description

Light Lib Multimedia stores data in a special format which has minimal memory requirements and is optimized for speed.

Therefore, if you try to save *ptrMM* directly to a BLOB field in a database such as Oracle or equivalent such system, all of the elements will be saved except the element containing the multi media itself. This is because the data is represented in a format known only to Light Lib Multimedia. The solution is to convert *ptrMM* multi media element to a character string and then process the character string as ifit were the multi media data.

Notes

Check the features of the product supporting the BLOBs. Some limitations may apply like 64Kb maximum size. This limitation is often reached when dealing with multi media. If this is the case, simply store the data in separate files on disk and store a reference (file name) to the data.

iPack()

DLL Functions

Purpose

Compress a Character string

Syntax

iPack(cToBeCompressed) ->cCompressed

Arguments

cToBeCompressed Character string to be compressed

Returns

cCompressed The compressed character string

Description

This function is used in conjunction with <u>iUnPack()</u>to compress character strings.

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iUnPack()

DLL Functions

Purpose

Uncompress a compressed Character string.

Syntax

iUnPack(cCompressed) -> cUnCompress

Arguments

Returns

IcUnCompress An uncompressed Character string of a previously compressed string.

Description

This function is used in conjunction with <u>iPack()</u> to restore compressed Character strings to its original value.

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Light Lib Objects Functions

DLL Functions OAccess() OAssign() ONew() ODel()

Constants Constants

Light Lib Objects (LLO)

Light Lib Objects is not another Light Lib product. LLO manages memory allocation and the proper creation and deletion of all objects within the Light Lib DLLs themselves. Every Light Lib product for Windows relies on this support DLL. Please review the specific language implementation carefully because the usage of LLO differs slightly from language to language.

LLO provides object oriented technology to languages that do not support object oriented programming and provides enhanced features to languages that support OOP. In addition to standard OOP features such as inheritance, polymorphism, and encapsulation, LLO implements advanced OOP concepts such as inheriting from an owner class which is not the immediate parent, dynamic class creation, BLOB aggregation and much more. The following is an example:

ABSTRACT Class - GRAPH Class

ABSTRACT Class - COLUMN Class

There is no relationship between the GRAPH Class and the COLUMN Class. However, if a method or property is not available in an instance of the COLUMN Class, LLO will not use the ABSTRACT parent class definition, which is how OOP systems work today. Instead, LLO is able to use the class Owner's definition which could, for example, be a GRAPH.

How Do I? CA-Visual Objects

Register and unregister an application

You need to call <u>dwLightLibAppRegister(</u>) at the start of your program. This allows the Light Lib DLLs to be properly initialized. If this registration is not executed, you will receive errors.

At the end of execution, you will need to unregister your application with the Light Lib DLLs by calling <u>dwLightLibAppUnRegister()</u>.

Light Lib Objects Constants

Abstract Application Class Error

Class Constants

LLO_CLASS_ABSTRACTAbstract Class (Hidden)LLO_CLASS_APPLICATIONApplication ClassLLO_CLASS_CONTEXTContext Class (Hidden)LLO_CLASS_ERRORError Class

Abstract Constants

LLO_ABSTRACT_APPLICATION LLO_ABSTRACT_CARGO LLO_ABSTRACT_CARGO_COUNT LLO_ABSTRACT_CLASS_ID LLO_ABSTRACT_CLASS_NAME LLO_ABSTRACT_CLASS_VERSION LLO_ABSTRACT_ERROR LLO_ABSTRACT_LIBRARY_ID LLO_ABSTRACT_LIBRARY_NAME LLO_ABSTRACT_LIBRARY_VERSION LLO_ABSTRACT_OWNER

Application Constants

LLO_APPLICATION_CARGO_COUNT_DEFAULT LLO_APPLICATION_CONTEXT LLO_APPLICATION_HANDLE LLO_APPLICATION_NAME

Error Constants

Error Class

LLO_ERROR_ACTION LLO_ERROR_OBJECT LLO_ERROR_MESSAGE LLO_ERROR_NUMBER LLO_ERROR_PARAM LLO_ERROR_PROPERTY LLO_ERROR_PROPERTY_NAME

Error message

Extended depending on Error Type Property define# Property name

LLO_ERROR_NUMBER

LLO_ERROR_CARGO_OUT_OF_LIMIT LLO_ERROR_INVALID_CLASS_DEFINE LLO_ERROR_INVALID_OWNER_TYPE LLO_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETERS LLO_ERROR_INVALID_ACCESS_NEW LLO_ERROR_INVALID_ACCESS_DEL LLO_ERROR_INVALID_ACCESS_ACCESS LLO_ERROR_INVALID_ACCESS_ASSIGN LLO_ERROR_MEMORY_ALLOCATION LLO_ERROR_NO_ERROR LLO_ERROR_OBJECT_ACCESS_DENIED LLO_ERROR_OBJECT_ASSIGN_DENIED LLO_ERROR_READONLY_PROPERTY LLO_ERROR_UNDEFINED_PROPERTY

LLO_ERROR_ACTION

LLO_ACTION_ACCESS LLO_ACTION_ASSIGN LLO_ACTION_DEL LLO_ACTION_NEW

User Defined Constants

LLI_UDF_ABORT	User Defined Function Abort return value
LLI_UDF_CONT	User Defined Function Continue return value
LLI_UDF_ERROR	Error append during a Light Lib function execution
LLI_UDF_EXIT	Exit phase for a Light Lib function execution
LLI_UDF_IDLE	Idle phase for a Light Lib function execution
LLI_UDF_INIT	Init phase for a Light Lib function execution

Overview

Light Lib Objects

oAccess()

DLL Functions

Purpose

Access an object's instance variable. See also Light Lib Objects

Syntax

oAccess(dwLLObject	AS DWORD,	
	dwProperty	AS DWORD,	
	dwExtraParam	AS DWORD)> dwData

Arguments

dwLLObject	A Light Lib object.
dwProperty	A property belonging to this Light Lib object.
dwExtraParam	Used to access the LLI_IMAGE_CARGO value. For example, if LLI_IMAGE_CARGO is a structure, <i>dwExtraParam</i> would represent the byte offset into the structure.
Returns	

dwData The value of the requested object member

Description

dwExtraParam must be cast to DWORD. This allows the Light Lib DLL to pass a POINTER, SHORTINT, LONGINT etc.

Examples

// This returns the name of the class to which the object belongs. oAccess(dwMyObject, LLO_ABSTRACT_CLASS_NAME, 0)

 $//\ \mbox{This}$ returns the value of the second cargo // instance variable for this object. oAccess(dwMyObject, LLO ABSTRACT CARGO, 2)

oAssign()

DLL Functions

Purpose

Assign any value to a defined variable of an object. See also Light Lib Objects

Syntax

oAssign(dwProperty dwValue	AS DWORD, AS DWORD, AS DWORD, AS DWORD)> <i>liError</i>	
Arguments			
dwLLObject	A Light	A Light Lib object	
dwProperty	noted a	The predefined value to change. You can only change or assign to the symbols noted as Assignable. You are not able to modify symbols that are Read Only symbols.	
dwValue	The val	ue to be assigned.	
dwExtraParam	LLI_IMA	Used to access the LLI_IMAGE_CARGO value. For example, if LLI_IMAGE_CARGO is a structure, <i>dwExtraParam</i> would represent a byte offs into the structure.	
Returns			

liError An error code.

Description

The *dwExtraParam* and *dwValue* must be cast to DWORD. This allows the DLL to pass a POINTER, SHORINT, LONGINT etc.

Examples

// This sets the cargo size for this object to 4 DWORD.
oAssign(dwMyObject, LLO ABSTRACT CARGO SIZE, 4)

//This sets the second cargo instance variable to dwMyValue.
oAssign(dwMyObject, LLO ABSTRACT CARGO, dwMyValue, 2)

oNew()

DLL Functions

Purpose

Used to create a new Application Object. See also Light Lib Objects

Syntax

oNew(dwLLClass	AS DWORD,
	dwLLObject	AS DWORD,
	siSizeOfCargo	AS SHORTINT,
	dwValue	AS DWORD
	dwExtraParam	AS DWORD)> ptrAppHnd

Arguments

dwLLClass	Represents the class of the object to be created.
dwLLObject	Represents the object to be created. If the class to which the object belongs is an application, the dwLLObject doesn't need to be defined (pass zero).
siSizeOfCargo	The size or number of DWORD parameters in an object's cargo.
dwValue	This is an optional value containing extra information. For example, when you create a new Column object inside a Graph object, $dwValue$ dictates where the column should be inserted. If $dwValue$ is 0, the new column becomes the last column. If $dwValue$ is an existing Column number, the new Column is inserted before the passed number.
dwExtraParam	An optional parameter.
Returns	

dwAppHnd A pointer to a Light Lib Objects application handle.

Description

This allows you to register a Light Lib application with the Light Lib Objects DLL. This registration allows the Light Lib DLL to be used simultaneously by several applications in a multitasking operating system and to automate memory garbage collection. You must ensure that your applications always terminate with <u>oDel()</u>.

When you create an application that uses aLight Lib DLL, you need to register that application with the Light Lib Objects DLL. This needs to be done at the very start of your application by calling oNew() and by passing the proper arguments.

Once registered, Light Lib Objects, automatically keeps track of all objects created within the registered application. This guarantees that all objects are properly connected to the Light Lib DLL.

When terminating an application, you need to unregister it from the Light Lib Images DLL with oDel(). This frees all memory allocated to objects in the application, even if the objects have not been explicitly erased. It is, however, always better to erase images from memory when they are no longer needed using oDel().

This oNew() and oDel() technique needs to be implemented to ensure that Light Lib Objects can properly manage all memory and processes when being called simultaneously from multiple applications. This is

very important in a multitasking operating system.

oDel() DLL Functions

Purpose

Delete any Light Lib object. This frees all memory allocated to objects in a registered Light Lib application. See also <u>Light Lib Objects</u>

Syntax			
oDel(dwLLObject	AS DWORD)> dwAppHnd	
Arguments			
dwLLObject	A DWORD representing any Light Lib object.		
Returns			
dwAppHnd	An em	pty pointer to a Light Lib Images application handle.	

Description

You must ensure that your Light Lib applications always terminate with oDel().

Be aware, that deleting a Light Lib object will also delete all of its child objects (if any) as well. As an example, deleting the Application object in turn deletes all objects created by that application from memory. It is highly recommended to delete the registered Application object by calling oDel() prior to exiting any Light Lib application.

This oNew() and oDel() technique (registering and unregistering) must be implemented to ensure that Light Lib Objects can properly manage the Light Lib DLLs when being called simultaneously from multiple applications. This is very important in a multitasking operating system.

dwLightLibApp()

CA-Visual Objects

Purpose

Get the current Light Lib Application. See also Light Lib Objects

Syntax

dwLightLibApp() ---> dwLightLibRegisteredApp

Arguments

None.

Returns

dwLightLibRegisteredApp

The registered application.

dwLightLibAppRegister()

CA-Visual Objects

Purpose

Register this instance of application into the LLO.DLL This must be done only once in an application's execution, and prior to any calls to the Light Lib library you are using. See also Light Lib Objects

Syntax

dwLightLibAppRegister(oApp oWindow	AS OBJECT, AS OBJECT)> <i>dwLightLibRegisteredApp</i>	
Arguments			
оАрр	Applica	Application to register.	
oWindow	Owner	Owner window.	
Returns			
dwLightLibRegisteredApp	The va	lue of the registered application.	

Description

This function is used to register your Light Lib application with Light Lib Objects. If this registration process is not done, your application will not work properly.

dwLightLibAppUnRegister() CA-Visual Objects

Purpose

Unregister a Light Lib application from the Light Lib Objects DLL. See also Light Lib Objects

Syntax

dwLightLibAppUnRegister() ---> dwLightLibRegisteredApp

Arguments

None

Returns

dwLightLibRegisteredApp

Unregister an application.

Out of Memory

If you are experiencing memory problems in applications using Light Lib DLLs, there is a good chance that you are keeping unnecessary references to objects such as images or graphs in memory. When your application no longer needs an object, you should formally remove or delete it from memory by calling <u>oDel()</u> with the proper parameters.

DLL Crashes

This error could occur when multiple applications that use Light Lib DLLs are running simultaneously. In order to prevent conflicts between them, you must ensure that each application is registered with Light Lib Objects.

This involves making a call to <u>oNew()</u> with the proper parameters at the beginning of your program. Also, remember to make a call to <u>oDel()</u> just before your application terminates.

Unable to Load a DLL at Runtime

Make sure that the proper Light Lib DLL is available in your WINDOWS\SYSTEM directory. At installation time, Light Lib DLLs are installed to this directory. If they are not present when your application runs, the applications will cause a LoadError().