

# Introduction

## t Presentation Conventions

The following presentation conventions are used in the Prograph Reference manual.

*Italic type* is used to draw your attention to the first use of a new term and to highlight particular features. In addition, titles of books, such as *Inside Macintosh*, are italicized.

**Boldface type** is used to refer to Prograph operations, methods, and classes, as well as class and instance attributes. Prograph is upper- and lower-case sensitive; add is distinguished from Add. A sentence that begins with a lower-case operation, attribute, or method name looks a bit strange in strict English grammatical terms, but it allows correct and efficient Prograph communication. add being the first word in this sentence makes this sentence an example of the upper- and lower-case convention.

**Bold Helvetica type** identifies text appearing in menus, menu items, dialogs, scrolling lists, buttons, and other interface controls that appear on your Macintosh screen. For example, you might be instructed to click Yes at the Save changes before closing? dialog or to select Open... from the File menu.

**Plain Helvetica type** identifies keyboard interaction. Keyboard input includes both character strings that you type and specific keys that you press. For example, you could be asked to type This Character String and press Return. In addition, keyboard equivalents are denoted in this type. For example, Command-S refers to the typical Macintosh convention for saving a file.

Mouse actions include click, drag and double-click. Modifier key strokes used to supplement basic mouse actions are noted as a hyphenated prefix to the mouse action. For example, holding the Option key while dragging the mouse is an Option-drag mouse action.

u A diamond-shaped bullet identifies an action you are to perform when progressing through an example. For instance:

u Select Open... from the File menu and click the file named System Classes in the scrolling-list. Then click the Open button or press Return.

NOTES, TIPS, WARNINGS and CAUTIONS are begun with solid lines across the page and ended with dashed black lines. These entries contain annotations that help you understand Prograph and help you get the most productive use from its full-featured development environment.