The Tilery

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What is it?

The Tilery displays tiles, each of which represents an application, document, folder, control panel, or other such item. Clicking a tile opens its item: applications are launched and/or brought to the front, documents are opened, folders' Finder windows are opened and displayed. If tiles are hidden behind other windows, moving the mouse to a "hot spot" in a corner of the screen will make them visible.

The Tilery supports Macintosh Drag and Drop, so that you can drag icons from Finder windows and drop them onto tiles. Dropping a document icon onto an application tile opens the document in the application; dropping anything onto a folder icon moves or copies it into the folder, and so on.

The Tilery itself is just an application. It's not an INIT or system extension, not a DA, not a control panel. It doesn't do anything that a well-behaved application shouldn't do, so it is very reliable and highly compatible with the rest of your software.

The Tilery was formerly called "Applicon." Its name has been changed to avoid conflict with a commercial product which is unrelated to The Tilery and Semicolon Software.

Requirements

The Tilery requires System 7 or later, and will run on any Macintosh.

System 7 Pro or System 7.5 or later are recommended, but not necessary. These systems include the Scriptable Finder and Macintosh Drag and Drop.

If your system does not include Macintosh Drag and Drop, you will not be able to drop Finder icons onto the tiles.

If your system does not include the Scriptable Finder, you will not be able to use (or in most cases, create) tiles for folders, the Trash, control panels, and such; and certain other features such as "Find Original" will be disabled. You will still be able to create and use tiles for applications, desk accessories, and normal

documents.

How Does It Work?

First, see the chapter "Quick Start" in this document for a brief introduction to using The Tilery. Then just try The Tilery out for a while, and get used to it. The chapter "How to..." gives instructions for accomplishing some common tasks; look there if there's something you can't figure out how to do. Be sure to check out the on-line help available under The Tilery's "Help" menu: most of what you need to know is explained there. After that, see the other chapters in this document for details that are not covered in "Quick Start," "How to...," or the on-line help.

Full on-line help is available under the Help menu. If you are having trouble with The Tilery and want advice, or if you think you have found a bug, please read the chapters "How to...," "Problems," and "Conflicts" in this document. If you want to request a new feature, please read the chapter "Feature Requests" in this document.

To see the other chapters in this document, select them by name from the Chapter menu, or use the Chapter buttons at the upper-right corner of this window.

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