

Keyboard Cues! v1.0.1

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Introduction

Keyboard Cues provides keyboard based application switching and Extended Keyboard emulation for PowerBook and Standard Keyboard users giving them the ability to generate Page Up, Page Down, End, Home, F1, F2 ect... keyboard commands.

Keyboard Cues is a System Extension, requires System 7 and is Power Macintosh (System 7.1.2) compatible.

Keyboard Cues is Shareware and costs \$10.

To Install

Drag the Keyboard Cues icon onto your system folder. You will be asked whether you want to place Keyboard Cues into your control panels folder. Click the "OK" button. Then restart your Macintosh.

As your Macintosh starts up you should see the Keyboard Cues icon appear along the bottom of your screen. Keyboard Cues is now installed!

(You may wish to do this now...)

Usage

There are two parts to Keyboard Cues (1) the Switcher Window and (2) the Standard Keyboard Expander.

To Use The Switcher Window

Hold down the Command (⌘) Key and type the TAB key.

On the screen you will see a window appear. This is the Keyboard Cues Switcher Window.

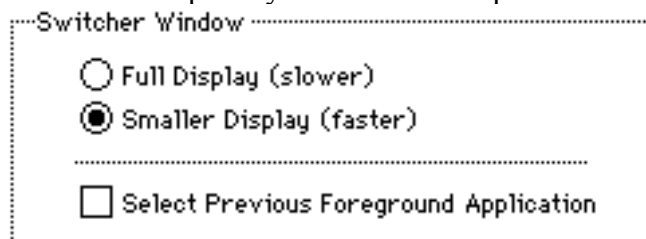


In the window is a list of the currently running applications. The current foreground application's name is hilited in the list. While keeping the Command Key held down typing the TAB key again will select the next application in the list. Now if you lift your finger off the Command Key the Switcher Window will disappear and the application last selected in the list will be brought to the front! Remember: To keep the Switcher Window open keep the Command Key held down. At the bottom of the window is a checkbox labeled “Automatically Hide other applications when switching” if this is checked when you switch applications any background applications will be automatically hidden.

While the Switcher Window is open a number of keyboard commands are available:

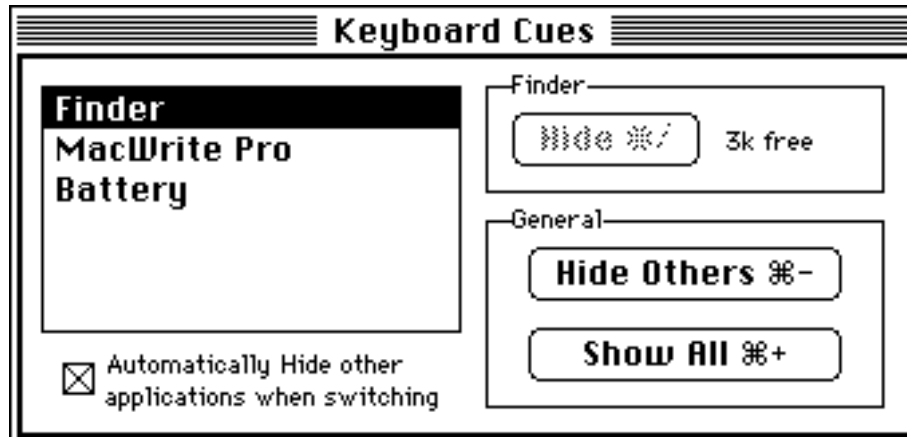
Key	Action
-	Hides all background applications
+	Shows all background applications
/	Toggles visibility of the currently selected application in the list.
Shift	Toggles the “Auto Hide Other Applications when Switching” feature.

If you open the Keyboard Cues control panel you’ll see a few options for the Switcher Window:



If you enable “Select Previous Foreground Application” the application you were last using will be automatically selected in the the Switcher Window list when you activate it. Example: If were using MacWrite and you switched to Finder then activated the Switcher Window MacWrite would be hilited in the application list. So then taking your finger off the Command key would automatically bring MacWrite to the front.

If you turn on the Full Window option the next time you use the Switcher Window you’ll be presented with a larger window:



This expanded view simply gives you access to some of the keyboard commands (hide,show) via buttons. It also shows free memory for the current application selected in the list. The default is Small Display.

To use Standard Keyboard Expander

First open the Keyboard Cues control panel and turn the Standard Keyboard Expander on.



Now using the keyboard combinations shown below will generate the action shown:
 Note: All Keyboard combinations use the control key.

Key Combination	Action
Control + Up Arrow	Page Up
Control + Down Arrow	Page Down
Control + Shift + Up Arrow	Home
Control + Shift + Down Arrow	End
Control + Delete	Clear
Control + Shift + Delete	Forward Delete
Control + 1	F1
Control + 2	F2
Control + 3	F3
Control + 4	F4
Control + 5	F5
Control + 6	F6
Control + 7	F7
Control + 8	F8
Control + 9	F9
Control + 0	F10
Control + Shift + 1	F11
Control + Shift + 2	F12
Control + Shift + 3	F13
Control + Shift + 4	F14
Control + Shift + 5	F15

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Keep Shareware alive! MANY hours of work went into creating Keyboard Cues and I'd really appreciate some reimbursement for all my effort so..... \$10 (or whatever you think its worth) would be great. Just drop it into an envelope. Easy. And by doing so you'll be encouraging me and other programmer to write quality Shareware!

And why not tell me what you think of Keyboard Cues and what you think could make it better. You can't write good software in a vacuum¹, so I'd love to know how YOU (the user) think i could make Keyboard Cues better (even if your not going to register i would still love to know what you think). My E-Mail and postal addresses are at the beginning of this document.

Version History

1.0 (23/5/94) First Public Release. Thanks to David Turnedge for testing.
1.0.1 (26/5/94) Fixed "Beep on Switch" bug. Thanks to Timothy Stein for bug report.

1. your lungs get full of dust and it messes up your hair 8-)