Altsys Virtuoso™ ReadMe file   October 29, 1992

Welcome to Altsys Virtuoso 1.0!

This ReadMe file contains last minute information we thought might be helpful to you:

Altsys Virtuoso is the advanced PostScript® language design and production program for NeXTSTEP® operating systems. As the developers of award-winning graphics programs such as Fontographer® and Aldus FreeHand® on the Macintosh® and Windows™,   Altsys is very proud to bring you Virtuoso for NeXTSTEP. We have learned what our users demand most from a drawing program¼ speed, ease-of-use, and an advanced feature set. Combine our experience and knowledge with the power of NeXTSTEP, and we think that you will find Virtuoso your definitive single-page layout solution on the NeXT. Enjoy Virtuoso!

Technical Notes

Altsys Virtuoso is a NeXTSTEP 2.x application. When running under NeXTSTEP 3.0, Virtuoso makes limited use of certain NeXTSTEP 3.0 features such as the ability to copy-link data into another application, and the ability to support pressure-sensitive pen input and data tablets.

If you are running NeXTSTEP 2.1, whenever you enable Snap Sounds, turn on Snap to Grid, and then rapidly drag an object, Virtuoso may at times crash. This is due to what appears to be a problem with the operating system. There should not be a problem during normal usage, but Snap Sounds are such a neat feature that people sometimes rapidly drag objects around in small circles just so they can listen to the staccato type sound. This is not a problem in NeXTSTEP 3.0.

Virtuoso does not allow you to set runaround on grouped or blended objects. You may subselect a path inside the group or blend and set the text runaround on that individual path.

Installation

Refer to the *Virtuoso User's Guide* (page viii) for full instructions on how to install the Virtuoso application, samples images, and tutorial files.

Note: If you have opened this ReadMe file by simply double-clicking the file icon on your Virtuoso ªProgram 1º floppy, you must first close it (or copy it to your hard drive and reopen it) before you install Virtuoso. If you try to install Virtuoso while you have this Read Me file open from the floppy, the Installer will get confused and will not complete the installation.

The following are instructions on how to install your free fonts:

· Move the .font file into the Fonts folder in either the /LocalLibrary/Fonts folder or the ~/Library/Fonts folder, depending on where you wish to install them.

· If you are installing the fonts into ~/Library/Fonts, you can install your fonts simply by launching an application that uses fonts. This will automatically load the fonts.

 If you don't get a message about incorporating new fonts, follow the instructions below for installing a font in /LocalLibrary/Fonts, except that you should use ~/Library/Fonts as the pathname instead of /LocalLibrary/Fonts.

· If you are installing the fonts into /LocalLibrary/Fonts, you will need to launch the Terminal application and complete the following steps:

 · Type ªbuildafmdirº followed by the path to your fonts
  buildafmdir /LocaLibrary/Fonts

 · Then type ªcacheAFMDataº followed by the path to your fonts
  cacheAFMData /LocalLibrary/Fonts
  Note: If you are installing fonts into the /LocalLibrary/Fonts directory, you will probably need to be logged in as ªrootº.

Virtuoso Documentation

We strongly recommend that you read the *Virtuoso User's Guide* as well as the rest of the documentation in

your box. We think that you'll find it fun to read and very informative. You may well find that Virtuoso is so easy to use that you don't feel like you need to read the documentation, but we recommend that you still take a look at the documentation, which also includes the *Quick Reference Card*, *Color & Production Guide*, and *Sample Images Guide*.

Refer to the *Virtuoso Tutorial* to learn the basics about how to use the program. The tutorial is available on the disk ªTutorial.º

Altsys provides free unlimited technical support. Don't hesitate to contact us at (214) 680-2085 for any technical assistance. If you would like to purchase additional copies of Virtuoso, call Altsys at (214) 680-2060, FAX us at (214) 680-0537, or contact your favorite NeXT reseller.

Sincerely,

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