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Stepping Out II Instructions

Introduction

The following is a brief overview of how to use the demo version of Stepping Out II. The demo version retains all of the program's features; however, an "About Stepping Out" screen will appear at two minute intervals for a duration of 20 seconds.

Software compatibility

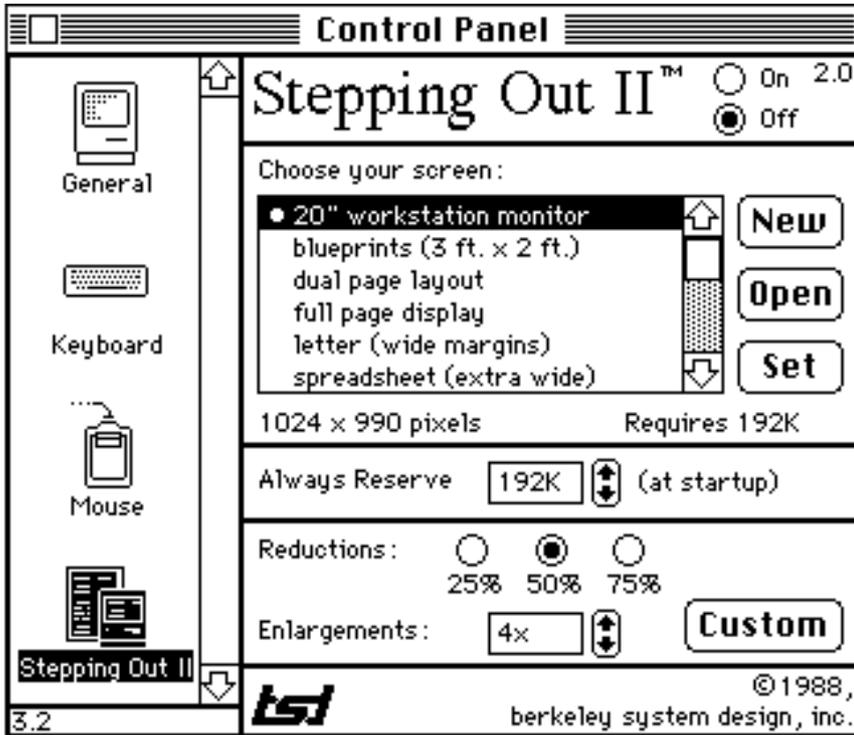
Stepping Out II works well with applications that work with large screen hardware. In general new programs are compatible with big screens. Many of the older screen savers are not compatible with big screens. (Auto Black 1.5 and Pyro are compatible.)

Installation

Copy Stepping Out II to the System Folder, and restart your machine. Note: You must use System 4.1 or higher to use this demo.

Activating Stepping Out

Stepping Out II is a Control Panel device. Open the Control Panel and select Stepping Out II. Stepping Out II lets you define your own list of screen sizes. We've defined a few to get you started. Click the On button to activate Stepping Out II. The screen size with a bullet by it will be installed. Move the pointer to the edge of the Mac screen and Stepping Out II automatically scrolls.



Selecting a screen size

To install a different screen size, select it from the list, and click the Set button. If enough memory is available, installation takes place immediately and you can start using the new size right away.

The memory required by the selected screen size is displayed beneath the Set button on the Control Panel.

Memory is allocated only when you restart your machine. If there is not enough memory available for a screen size you desire, restart the machine to allocate more memory and make that screen size active. To ensure that there is always enough memory set aside for screen sizes you desire, use the Always Reserve setting in the Control Panel to define a minimum allocation at startup. Note: Using colors or shades of gray on the Mac II monitors requires more memory than the same screen size in black and white.

Defining screen sizes

The Open button brings up a dialog box that you can use to resize, rename, or delete the selected screen setting. You can set the size either by typing in the dimensions, or by dragging the resize handle of the pictured screen. You can change the scale of the pictured screen by selecting the Huge option to allow really big screens. To define a new screen size, click the New button in the Control Panel. The screen definition dialog box appears, showing the name and size of the currently selected screen. Change the size and name. Then click the OK button to add the new screen to the Control Panel list.

Getting the big picture

To see a reduced view of your screen, press Option-Command-Space. This is not just a page preview. You can do work in the reduced view. If you are not using color on the Mac II, you have three reduction levels available. Only a 50% reduction is supported in color. Use the control panel to select a reduction factor or press Option-Command-Up arrow and Option-Command-Down arrow to zoom in and out. To get back to normal size, hit Option-Command-Space again.

Magnifying glass

Stepping Out II lets you magnify a portion of the virtual big screen by two to 16 times. Press Option-Command-X to activate the glass. Use the Control Panel or key commands to zoom in and out. If you want to change the size of the magnifying glass, use the resize command, by pressing Option-Command-R. Flashing lines show the borders of the glass. To change them, drag any of the sides or corners. To cancel resizing, click anywhere. Hit Option-Command-X again to deactivate the glass. The magnifying glass works in reduced view too.

Fixed areas

There are often parts of the screen that you don't want sliding away. You may want a drawing program's tool boxes or a spreadsheet's formula bar to be fixed. With Stepping Out II, you can fix strips along the top and the left of the screen. To resize the border area, press Option-Command-R. A pair of flashing lines will appear, at the top and left edges. Drag these lines to include the areas you want to fix.

Big monitors

Stepping Out II works with all standard and large Mac II monitors, except for 24 bit color. Stepping Out II does not work with many of the big screens used with the Macintosh SE and Plus. This is because Apple has never standardized big screen software for the "classic Mac" and every manufacturer does their software a different way. Several manufacturers sell "big screens" for the Macintosh which are just bigger CRT tubes and display everything somewhat enlarged. These work fine with Stepping Out as they do with all software.

Other Features

Stepping Out II provides several other useful features including:

- Quick Start
- Screen View Locking

This Stepping Out II demo is free! Please post it on bulletin boards and give copies to your friends (and please include a copy of this documentation).

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