

# **Time\_mcc**

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# Chapter 1

## Time\_mcc

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## 1.6 Support/Updates

Support/Updates

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- Updates will be available via Aminet@

- Support will be available via the **authors** email address and via

<http://home.pages.de/~i07m/amiga/mui/Time.html>

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## 1.8 Description

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Time is an abstract Custom Class of the **Magic User Interface** © by Stefan Stuntz.

It's a subclass of notify-class and only usable for developers who want to build subclasses of Time.mcc!

The idea of this class was born during developing my Gregor application.

**MUI** abstract public custom class that allowing easy handling of time. Because it is abstract it is only usefull for developers working with classes that are based on Time.mcc (like TimeString.mcc), or those who want to build their own Time.mcc based classes.

Time.mcc features:

- Handles daylight savings time
- Handles time zones
- Supports MUIM\_Import and MUIM\_Export
- Supports drops of other time objects and time-strings
- The time can be read in hour/minutes/seconds format or as seconds from midnight on
- The time range can be restricted
- It's possible to notify a Date.mcc object when the next or previous day was reached
- Method to set the current time
- Methods for increasing and decreasing the time
- Method to compare with another time object

## 1.9 Requirements

Requirements

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- **MUI** 3.1 (Version 12)
- date.library
- To use the Greek MCC-Install script you need the "Greek Workbench" © AC Software
- To use the Russian MCC-Install script you need "Rusifier" © Dmitry Mikhilov



## 1.10 Installation

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Please only install Time.mcc when you are a developer!

Use the installer script!

(The Installer must be in your system-path!)

If you use an Installer prior to V42 you should set the LANGUAGE Tooltype to your language. Installer V42 and better automatically use your current locale.

Please note that the installer-script is very special, because:

- It features uninstallation
- It is automated
- It is very flexible
- It is very intelligent (for an installer-script ;-)
- It uses **WrapGuide** (if present) for the Amigaguide documentation if running under a pre V39 system.
- It can be reused by (hopefully) all other MUI custom classes, because the authors of custom classes need to only change a few things:
  - \* The #copyright variable
  - \* The #min\_os\_version and #min\_os\_revision variables
  - \* The #min\_mui\_version and #min\_mui\_revision variables
  - \* The #language\_mcc and #language\_mcp variables
  - \* The P\_CustomExists, P\_CustomInstall and P\_CustomUninstall procedures
  - \* The 'APPNAME' tooltype within the MCC-Install icon.

## 1.11 Developer Informations

Information for Developers

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There is no multiple inheritance for Boopsi/MUI for the moment, so we haven't any chance to create a real Time basis-class. But there is another way to have the same result (compatibility for all classes that are dealing with time).

The solution is called interface inheritance like it was done with IDL for CORBA.

Interface inheritance has some advantages and some disadvantages.

The advantages are:

- (Pseudo) multiple inheritance
- The same interface for all classes dealing with Time

The disadvantages are:

- Every one who wants to subclass Time.mcc must include the code for Time.mcc in the new subclass.

But this can be easier done by using the DateLib and/or the Amiga-OS support

functions.

Btw. the same happens for IDL, but by using C++ it is possible to inherit the implementation.

A future release of Time.mcc will include a full skeleton C code, so that everyone can start his subclasses on this.

Please note, that you can not compile Time.mcc!

This is because I don't want to distribute the following files at the moment:

date.h, datetime.h, datesys.h, date\_pragmas.h

These files are part of my DateLib (TM) project. A new release will be available in 1997.

Please note that the supplied source is version 12.0!

Btw. it would be wise to use a

```
SetAttrs(obj,
```

```
MUIA_Time_Hour, hour,
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MUIA_Time_Min, min,
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MUIA_Time_Sec, sec,
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```
TAG_DONE
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);
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instead of single set()'s.

## 1.12 History

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10.02.1997 - First release on Aminet

28.03.1997 - Second release on Aminet

\* Added MUIA\_Time\_MidnightSecs for seconds since midnight

\* Added Blitz Basic 2 interface

\* Added Cluster interface

\* Added ARexx interface

\* Added MUIBuilder3 description

\* Added German documentation

\* Added drop support

14.08.1997 - Third release on Aminet

\* Added Amigaguide V40 features to the documentation

\* Added "Please rate" section to the documentation

\* MCC-Install 43.21

\* Added MagicWB readme

\* Compiled with MCCLib 12.2

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- \* MUIM\_Time\_Compare
  - \* Bugfix in MUIM\_Time\_SetCurrent
  - \* Optimizations
- 07.10.1997 - Fourth release on Aminet
- \* Accept drags with time-strings
  - \* Compiled with MCCLib 12.4
  - \* date.library 33.280

## 1.13 Todo

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Notify on locale preference change (time zone): env:sys/locale.prefs

## 1.14 Known problems

Known problems

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- Old versions of the program called 'PhoneCost' written by André Schenk <schenkae@tick.informatik.uni-stuttgart.de> installed another 'date.library' into 'Libs:'.

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Martin Huttenloher : for **MagicWB**

Udo Schuermann : for **WrapGuide**

Stefan Kost : for ag2txt

Jürgen Kohrmeyer : for the rexxtricks.library

Henning Thielemann : for help with the Cluster interface

Eric Gerard : for his great icons

## 1.16 Please rate

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Please rate Time.mcc and MCC-Install. To do so, send an email to  
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with the following content:

RATE dev/mui/MCC-Install.lha <num>

RATE dev/mui/MCC\_Time.lha <num>

where <num> is a mark from 0..10 with 10 being the best.

You can rate several programs in one mail.

Thank you!

## 1.17 Subclasses

Subclasses

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The following classes are build on Time.mcc:

TimeString.mcc:

By Kai Hofmann <i07m@informatik.uni-bremen.de>

<http://home.pages.de/~i07m/amiga/mui/TimeString.html>

Aminet:dev/mui/MCC\_TimeString.lha

## 1.18 MUI

This is a custom class of the

MUI - MagicUserInterface

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If you want to register directly, feel free to send

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to

Stefan Stuntz

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<http://www.sasg.com/>

## 1.19 MagicWB

This product is based on or uses parts of

MagicWB - The Workbench Enhancer

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