About Topmost

OK, granted it's a silly name but "*Keep the Window Where the Mouse is Currently Pointing on Top*" is not much better and barely fits on the title bar . . .

Anyway, a coworker complained it was a pain to constantly move the VB2 properties window to the top. I guess I was so taken with just the idea of a properties window (as compared to VB1), I hardly noticed. A couple of days later I happened on a CIS thread regarding the same issue. Someone asked how to make the properties window "always on top" and a user responded he had modified the WINFO application, found on the VB forum, to do this.

So I've done the same thing I guess, modified Paul Bonner's WINFO example, which was inspired by Costas Kitso's VBFindID and I'm posting it here on CIS so that anyone else interested in keeping the Visual Basic property (or any other) window on top, need not retrace these steps.

Unlike Paul's program, which illustrates among other things, how to keep the current window (or your own form) on top, Topmost will keep any window that you point to on top. Simply launch the Topmost program, position the mouse on the **title bar or window border** of the window you wish to keep on top and press **Control-T**. That's it.

Keep in mind that after TopMost is launched, you should position your mouse on the title bar (or windows border) of the window you to keep on top. The window where the mouse is positioned will report its window handle, classname and caption in the *Window to Move to Top* frame of the TopMost window. Of course you can keep the TopMost window on top as well, but that's not really the purpose of this utility.

You can minimize TopMost if you wish and Control-T will still keep the window where your mouse is pointing (provided you are positioned on the title bar or window border) on top. Multiple windows may be kept on top with last selected gaining precedence when multiple 'on top' windows are overlapped.

The following files are included in TOPMST.ZIP:

topmost.exe   the TOPMOST executable file which may be placed in any directory

threed.vbx   the VB2 custom control (DLL-type) file required by this application. This file should be placed in **either** a directory on your system path or in the same directory as TOPMOST.EXE.

topmost.bas, topmost.frm, topmost.mak - Visual Basic 2.0 source files

topmost.wri   this file

This program requires VBRUN200.DLL.

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