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Chapter 1

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1.1 RIAmosFuncLib

RI AMOS Func Library V2.5

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1.2 Whats it all about?

Overview

This library was originally designed to emulate useful commands present in AMOS. However, it has now grown to an all-purpose library containing miscellaneous commands which did not warrant a separate library.

You will find commands for easy memory bank management, file loading/saving commands, timing commands, memory manipulation and Amiga hardware commands.

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Function: BankLimit

Modes : Amiga/Blitz

Syntax : [numbanks=]BankLimit[(maxbanks)]

By default, the library lets you use banks 0-49. If this is not enough, then call this command using : BankLimit numbanks

This will currently erase all banks so be warned!

To find out the current bank limit use : numbanks=BankLimit

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Function: Reserve

Modes : Amiga/Blitz

Syntax : success=Reserve(length) | (banknumber,length[,requirements])

If only length is specified, then this function returns the number of the bank allocated or -1 for failure.

This will attempt to reserve <length> bytes of memory. If successful, it will return -1. If unsuccessful, 0 is returned.

The optional <requirements> parameter specifies which type of memory you want:

```
%1           =PUBLIC
%10          =CHIP
%100         =FAST
%1000000000 =LOCAL
%10000000000 =24BITDMA
%100000000000 =KICK
%1000000000000000 =CLEAR
%100000000000000000 =REVERSE
%10000000000000000000 =NO_EXPUNGE
```

OR the values together for different combinations.

e.g.

```
suc=Reserve(0,1024,%10) ; Reserve 1k of Chip Mem returns -1
suc=Reserve(1024) ; Reserve 1k of Any Mem returns 1
```

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Statement: Erase

Modes : Amiga/Blitz

Syntax : Erase banknumber

The Erase command will erase the specified memory bank.

e.g.

```
suc=Reserve(0,1024,%10)           ; Reserve 1k of Chip Mem
Erase 0
```

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Statement: EraseAll

Modes : Amiga/Blitz
Syntax : EraseAll

This command will erase ALL allocated memory banks.

e.g.

```
suc=
    Reserve
    (0,1024,%10)   ; Reserve 1k of Chip Mem
suc=Reserve(1,2048,0) ; Reserve 1k of ANY Mem
EraseAll
```

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Function: BLoad

Modes : Amiga
Syntax : success=BLoad(filename\$) | (filename\$,bank/addr[,length,offset,memtype])

If only filename\$ is specified, then the next available bank is allocated, and the command returns the number of the bank for success or -1 for failure.

If bank is specified, then the file is loaded into that bank. If address is specified then it is loaded into the address. Valid banks are 0-49. If the bank does not exist, Blitz will reserve a bank for you. If the bank does exist, Blitz will erase the bank from memory, and allocate a new one.

The return result is -1 for success, or 0 for failure (not enough RAM, file does not exist). If offset is specified, then <length> bytes will be read from the specified offset position in the file.

If memtype is specified, then the file is loaded into a memory block of that particular memtype (see

```
Reserve
)
```

If you wish to leave either length/offset unspecified, simply use the value 0

e.g.

```
suc=BLoad("s:startup-sequence",0) ; returns -1
suc=BLoad("c:dir",0,0,0,%10)      ; Loads into CHIP
suc=BLoad("c:list")                ; returns 1
```

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Function: BSave

Modes : Amiga

Syntax : success=BSave(filename\$,bank/address,length)

This will save <length> bytes at bank/address to the file. Return result is -1 for success, 0 for failure. If length > bank length, then the length of the bank is saved instead. If 0 is specified, the entire bank is saved.

e.g.

```
suc=
      BLoad
      ("c:dir",0,0,0,%10) ; Loads into CHIP
suc=BSave("ram:temp",0)
```

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Function: Start

Modes : Amiga/Blitz

Syntax : start_address.l=Start(banknumber.b)

This will return the start address of the specified bank. (0=no bank)

e.g.

```
suc=
      Reserve
      (0,1024,%10)
NPrint Start(0)
MouseWait
End
```

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Function: Length

Modes : Amiga/Blitz

Syntax : length_of_bank.l=Length(banknumber.b)

This will return the length of the specified bank in bytes. (0=No bank)

e.g.

```
suc=
        Reserve
        (0,1024,%10)
NPrint Length(0)
MouseWait
End
```

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Function: MemFree

Modes : Amiga/Blitz
 Syntax : bytes.l=MemFree

This will return the total amount of Public Free RAM available to the system.

e.g.

```
NPrint "Total bytes free = ",MemFree
MouseWait
End
```

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Function: NextBank

Modes : Amiga/Blitz
 Syntax : bank.b=NextBank

This will return the number of the first available bank (-1 if none free).

e.g.

```
suc=
        Reserve
        (0,1024)
suc=Reserve(0,2048)
NPrint NextBank
MouseWait
End
```

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Statement: FillMem

Modes : Amiga/Blitz
 Syntax : FillMem address.l,length.l[,value.b]

This will fill 'length' bytes starting from the specified address with 'value'. If 'value' is omitted, 0 is filled.

e.g.

```
suc=
    Reserve
    (0,1024)          ; Allocate some memory
FillMem Start(0),Length(0)          ; Clear it
MouseWait
End
```

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Statement: CopyByte

Modes : Amiga/Blitz
 Syntax : CopyByte source.l,dest.l,num.l

This will copy <num> bytes from <source> to <dest>

e.g.

```
CopyByte
    Start
    (0),Start(1),
    Length
    (0)
```

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Statement: CopyWord

Modes : Amiga/Blitz
 Syntax : CopyByte source.l,dest.l,num.l

This will copy <num> words from <source> to <dest>

e.g.

```
CopyWord
    Start
    (0),Start(1),
    Length
```

(0) / 2

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Statement: CopyLong

Modes : Amiga/Blitz

Syntax : CopyByte source.l,dest.l,num.l

This will copy <num> longwords from <source> to <dest>

e.g.

```
CopyLong Start(0),Start(1),Length(0)/4
```

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Function: MakeDir

Modes : Amiga

Syntax : success=MakeDir(name\$)

This function attempts to create a directory called <name\$>. If it is unsuccessfull, 0 is returned else -1 is returned.

e.g.

```
suc=MakeDir("RAM:MYDIR")
```

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Function: Rename

Modes : Amiga

Syntax : success=Rename(source\$,dest\$)

This attempts to rename the file <source\$> to <dest\$>. -1 is returned if successfull, else 0.

NOTE: It is not possible to rename across devices.

e.g.

```
suc=Rename("S:Startup-Sequence","S:Startup2") ; Do not run this!
```

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Function: Timer

Modes : Amiga/Blitz

Syntax : t.l=Timer

This will return the number of 50ths of a second since startup or the last call to ResetTimer.

e.g.

```
NPrint Timer
VWait
NPrint Timer
MouseWait
End
```

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Statement: ResetTimer

Modes : Amiga/Blitz

Syntax : ResetTimer

This will reset the CIA timer to 0.

e.g.

```
NPrint Timer
VWait
ResetTimer
NPrint Timer
MouseWait
End
```

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Function: Lisa

Modes : Amiga/Blitz

Syntax : chipver=Lisa

This will return the current Lisa chip version :

```
$00 for OCS Denise
$F7 for ECS Denise
$F8 for AGA Lisa
```

e.g.

```
Select Lisa
```

```

Case 0
  NPrint "You have an OCS Machine!"
Case $F7
  NPrint "You have an ECS Machine!"
Case $F8
  NPrint "You have an AGA Machine!"
Case $F9
  NPrint "You have a AAA Machine?!" ; Maybe... :)
End Select
MouseWait
End

```

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Statement: Reboot

Modes : Amiga/Blitz
 Syntax : Reboot

This will perform a cold reboot

e.g.

```

NPrint "Press mousebutton to reset.."
MouseWait
Reboot

```

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Function: FileSize

Modes : Amiga
 Syntax : size.l=FileSize(filename\$)

This returns the length (in bytes) of the file.

e.g.

```

NPrint "Startup is ",FileSize("S:startup-sequence")," bytes long!"
MouseWait
End

```

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Function: XOR

Modes : Amiga/Blitz
 Syntax : x.l=XOR(x.l,y.l)

This will perform an Exclusive-Or operation between X and Y and put the

result back into X

e.g.

```
x=XOR(%101,%100)
```

Will place %001 into X (%101 XOR %100 = %001)

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Function: Max/Min

Modes : Amiga/Blitz
Syntax : value=Max(first_var,second_var)
 value=Min(first_var,second_var)

This will compare both values and return either the Higher of the values (Max) or the Lower (Min). This currently supports INTEGERS only.

e.g.

```
NPrint Max(30,50)
NPrint Min(30,50)
MouseWait
End
```

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Function: KeyCode

Modes : Amiga/Blitz
Syntax : keycode=KeyCode

This will return the status of the keyboard in the form of a keycode. You will need to experiment to find out the desired keycode for a particular key. This merely peeks address \$bfec01 and returns the value found.

e.g.

```
NPrint KeyCode
MouseWait
End
```

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Function : FindVolume

Modes : Amiga
Syntax : success=FindVolume(volumename\$)

This will look to see if the specified volume is present, and returns 0 if it is not, or -1 if it is. If the volume is not present, this function will NOT bring up a Requester ("Please insert Volume...") The ":" should not be included in the volumename.

This is useful when waiting for diskswaps if you have a BlitzMode display.

e.g.

```
<BlitzModesStatements>
QAMIGA
Repeat
  VWait
Until FindVolume("DISK2")
BLITZ
<More statements>
```

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Function : DeviceName\$

Modes : Amiga
Syntax : devname\$=DeviceName\$(volumename\$)

This will return the device name of the specified volume or "" if the volume was not found. The ":" may or may not be included.

e.g.

```
NPrint DeviceName$("WORK:")
```

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Function : BlitterDone

Modes : Amiga/Blitz
Syntax : status=BlitterDone

This checks to see if the Blitter has finished BLITting. -1=Yes, 0=No

e.g.

```
Repeat
  Unti BlitterDone
```

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Statement : WaitBlitter

Modes : Amiga/Blitz

Syntax : WaitBlitter

This will halt program execution until the Blitter is ready for use.

e.g.

```
Blit 0,0,0
WaitBlitter
..
..
```

1.31 Example Programs

Example Programs

EXAMPLE 1 - Example usage of most RIAMOSFuncLib commands:

```
Load Example 1
Compile It!
```