

**Muscarine**

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## Chapter 1

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### 1.1 Muscarine - User Guide

Muscarine or Erica's Trip (Part I)

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### 1.2 INTRODUCTION

Muscarine or Erica's Trip (Part I)

A rather surreal, absurd and psychedelic adventure game with hand-drawn graphics. This is part one of three or even more parts to come. Consider this release as a demo of work in progress. If you have any suggestions, bug reports, etc. please

contact me

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Currently only part one with eleven very different locations and some really strange characters is playable. Honestly I've

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done nothing than collecting ideas for the other parts...  
However, part one should keep you busy for a while.

This game was created using GRAAL (Graphic Adventure Authoring Language) which was written by Per Thulin. GRAAL is a great thing if you hate nasty "low level" programming and still want to create a graphic adventure. Check it out!

## 1.3 LEGAL STUFF

### LEGAL STUFF

Since the worth of this piece of very high art can't be measured with money, "Muscarine or Erica's Trip" is FREE! It may be freely distributed for any non-commercial purpose providing that the archive and all documentation is not altered.

### WARNING:

Don't play this game if you are a racist, fascist, sexist or religious fanatic. The raw and pure creative energy emanating from this game could kill a narrow-minded beeing like you. Well, you've been warned! Don't blame me for anything!

## 1.4 REQUIREMENTS

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An PAL-Amiga with Workbench 2.0 or higher and is required to run this game. It runs on my A4000 with 18MB. It should also run with 2MB Chip-RAM, but some additonal Fast-RAM is recommended.

## 1.5 INSTALLATION

### INSTALLATION

1. Unpack the archive to a hard disk drawer.
2. Double-click the "Muscarine" icon and play!

### NOTE!!!

If you want to play the game from RAM before installing it to your HD, don't put the game in the root directory of RAM: as this

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will confuse the buffering, make a directory in RAM:, extract to there, and run it from there. Then it should work.

## 1.6 PLAYING THE GAME

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Ok, you can build sentences by clicking on verbs and objects. With these sentences you tell Erica what she should do. Every object has a default verb (look at in most cases). You can do the default action for an object by simply clicking it with the right mouse button.

Besides verbs and objects there are exits. If you click on an exit Erica will leave the current location and go to another.

The user interface is easy enough. Just try it... There are also some special keys explained in the  
keyboard~reference

Note that you can always have a look at the keyboard reference during the game by simply pressing the HELP key.

If you really need a more detailed explanation of the user interface download GRAAL from aminet game/role.

## 1.7 KEYBOARD REFERENCE

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#### Keys

- M Turns music and sound effects off or on
  - . Instantly ends most pauses and text displays in the scene area
  - [Esc] Bypass a cutscene
  - I Increase speed with which speech bubbles are displayed in the scene area
  - D Decrease the speed with which speech bubbles are displayed in the scene area
  - S or L Brings up the save/load game requester
  - V Shows version information (mainly for debugging)
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F Shows free memory information (mainly for debugging)

Q Quit the game

[Help] Shows a keyboard reference like this one

#### THE MOUSE

Left button Select an object, exit or dialogue line

Right button Make Erica move to where the mouse cursor is. During pauses and sentence display, the button can be used instead of the full stop (.) key.

Also executes the default command for an object.

## 1.8 CREDITS

#### STORY AND GRAPHICS:

The game was written and the graphics were drawn by the part-time dadaist

Rainer Appel  
in 1999.

All graphic-artwork was done with DPaintV and ImageEngineer. I've drawn the pictures in a resolution of 640x512 at first. Then I did some image processing with ImageEngineer (gaussian blur and scaling down to 320x256). Then I used DPaintV again to do some "fine tuning" and to get the righth colors.

DpaintV was created by Daniel Silva, Lee Ozer, Dallas Hodgson and Chuck Swan. It is © by Electronic Arts.

ImageEngineer is © by Simon Edwards. It is Shareware and you can download it from Aminet.

#### MUSIC:

I've used some of my own modules and some modules I've found on Aminet for this game.

Modules by Martin Teichmann: brainbird-song, my mind is a space, second techno.

Modules by Johan Alpmar: wave after wave.

The title track "Foxy Lady" was ©omposed by "jimi hendrix of melon" and a little bit modified by me.

#### GRAAL:

The GRAAL Adventure Language system was written by Per Thulin. Download it from Aminet in the game/role directory.

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Finally I want to thank Jools Henn. He has written another GRAAL Game which gave me the idea to create my own. His game is called "Escape From Hammy Town" and can also be downloaded from Aminet game/role.

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<http://www.geocities.com/Athens/Troy/7871/muscarine/>

Check it out. Here you can download the latest version of the game.

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