

Credits

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Parting Shots

HomerPaint was written as a lark and most of the code was hammered out between 10pm one night and 8am the next morning. For some reason, I got a bug up my butt to write a quick-and-dirty collaborative painting program that used IRC as its connection medium. Since its first incarnation, HomerPaint has changed a bit, and new tools have been added, but it's still the same basic program. Niceties added since its inception are Flood Fill, Gradients, Loading and Saving of PICT files, Movable selections, and few other things pertaining to the palette.

It's fun for me to work on this program, because it's pretty much 90% wow-factor and 10% useful. I'm always looking for fun ways to enhance it. If you have any ideas for the program, I'd LOVE to hear them. Send any mail to either stevem@zaphod.ee.pitt.edu or stevemzz@aol.com (SteveMzz if you're on AOL.)

I'd like to see more multimedia collaboration software. This was provided as a simple way to let people share their artwork over a relatively low bandwidth medium. If anyone is interested in designing a program like HomerPaint that works for platforms other than the Macintosh, you can contact me about the protocol I use to send graphics commands. It's really pretty straightforward, as HomerPaint was originally intended as a "quick-and-dirty" program, as I mentioned.

If you're a Homer user, look for the programs Codpiece and HomerTank as well. Codpiece is definitely around, and HomerTank may or may not be. Who's to know?

Oh yeah, and I also want to encourage people to develop these little Homer clients themselves. Documentation on how to communicate with Homer via System 7's AppleEvents is available on zaphod.ee.pitt.edu in the /pub directory. There's plenty of room for new interesting Homer clients.

Have fun.

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