

WELCOME TO ASTOUND 2.0 FOR WINDOWS!

Congratulations!

You've just installed the No. 1 multimedia presentation program - **Astound from Gold Disk**.

(If you haven't installed **Astound** yet - run SETUP.EXE from Program Manager using the **File ... Run** commands. You will require approximately 8MB of free space on your hard disk to install this 30-day Trial Version. Astound & Media Manager will be installed in a new subdirectory on your hard disk named AST30DAY).

Astound combines all the capabilities of traditional slide-orientated presentation programs with the added power of instant multimedia. Even Astound's standard templates provide built-in multimedia effects.

Now you can effortlessly add interactive flow control, sound, animated text objects and 3D graphs, and even digitised video to your desktop presentations. Astound's **Media Manager** helps you build clipmedia libraries to keep track of all your multimedia sound, graphics and video files.

What's more it's easy to **import your existing Freelance 2 or PowerPoint 4 presentations** so you can get going straight away.

This **trial version of Astound 2.0 for Windows** gives you a opportunity to explore ALL the power of Astound multimedia presentations for 30 days from the time you first install the files.

But we're sure that after experiencing Astound's power and ease of use you'll want to get your hands on the full package immediately.

The **complete Astound 2.0 for Windows package** includes comprehensive documentation and tutorials, and the bonus CD-ROM packed with more than 2,000 pieces of clipmedia (including WAV and MIDI sound files, Photo CD and bit-mapped images and AVI video clips) plus Astound Studio and more than 70 pre-formatted presentation templates.

Astound Studio is a powerful collection of six multimedia editing tools that can be accessed directly from your Astound presentations - Astound Sound, Astound Image, Astound Draw, Astound Actor, Astound Animator & Astound Video.

With Astound Studio's multi-media editors you can create and modify sounds, bit-mapped & Photo CD images, line art illustrations, animated actors and movies, even digitised video clips.

Astound 2.0 for Windows is available from your local computer dealer, and leading mail order software suppliers, or you can order directly from Gold Disk Customer Services on 01734-814230.

Astound 2.0 for Windows - complete with Astound Studio editors, international dictionaries and clipmedia on CD-ROM - is only £189 plus VAT (SRP).

Better still existing users of other presentation programs - such as Lotus Freelance, Microsoft PowerPoint, Novell/WordPerfect Presentations, Harvard Graphics, Macromedia Action! and Asymetrix Asymedia - can Trade-Up to Astound for Windows 2.0 for only £99 plus VAT (SRP).

Note: Presentation graphics and multimedia are demanding applications and we recommend the following minimum hardware and software specification for good performance:

50MHz i486SX2 (or equivalent processor).

4MB of RAM or better, 8MB or better for running Astound Studio editors with Astound.

Windows 3.1 or newer version.

256-colour VGA graphics or better.

MPC2-compatible Sound Card.

MPC2-compatible CD-ROM drive (required to access bonus clipmedia & Astound Studio & international dictionaries supplied with full version).

Astound 2.0 for Windows will run on systems will run on systems with a lower specification with reduced performance - in particular the program may take a long time to load.