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Symmetry to Release HyperCard Desk Accessory at MacWorld.

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MESA, AZ, December 21, 1987—Symmetry Corporation, a Macintosh software developer announced today that it will be releasing HyperDA™, a HyperCard™ desk accessory at the San Francisco MacWorld show in January.

HyperDA allows the Macintosh user to open HyperCard stacks and browse through their contents all while using another application. HyperDA understands a subset of the HyperTalk language allowing most stacks to operate as they do in HyperCard—with active buttons and fields.

Selection tools allow the user to copy text or graphics to the clipboard from a stack which can then be pasted into another application. A find command similar to HyperCard's is also provided allowing a stack to be searched for a particular word. Other features include a window mode allowing a stack to appear in a growable, scrollable window which can be moved anywhere on the screen.

HyperDA can be used on any Macintosh with 512K of memory or more. This is significant because previously, owners of Macintosh computers with less than 1MB of memory could not benefit from information available in HyperCard stacks.

“We expect a lot of interest in HyperDA”, said Scott Shwarts, President of Symmetry. “Not only does it provide easy access to information in HyperCard stacks but it opens the market for stackware to the 512K user.”, he added.

According to the company, HyperDA will also be made available to other developers under license for use in on-line documentation and help systems.

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