

Virtual Encounter Player

The Windows 3.1 version of Virtual Encounters is formed of two programs. The player (the one described in this help file) and the screen saver module.

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Quick Start Instructions

To play animations, you can either select the "Double click plays animation" button and then double-click on a name, or build the "to play" list and use the "Play this list" button.

The files with the **.ve** extension are meant to be viewed on your monitor. Those with the **.ves** are meant to be viewed with a Cybermax HMD (head mounted display), or a Virtual I/O HMD.

Stereoscopic versions are not accesible from the screen saver mode.

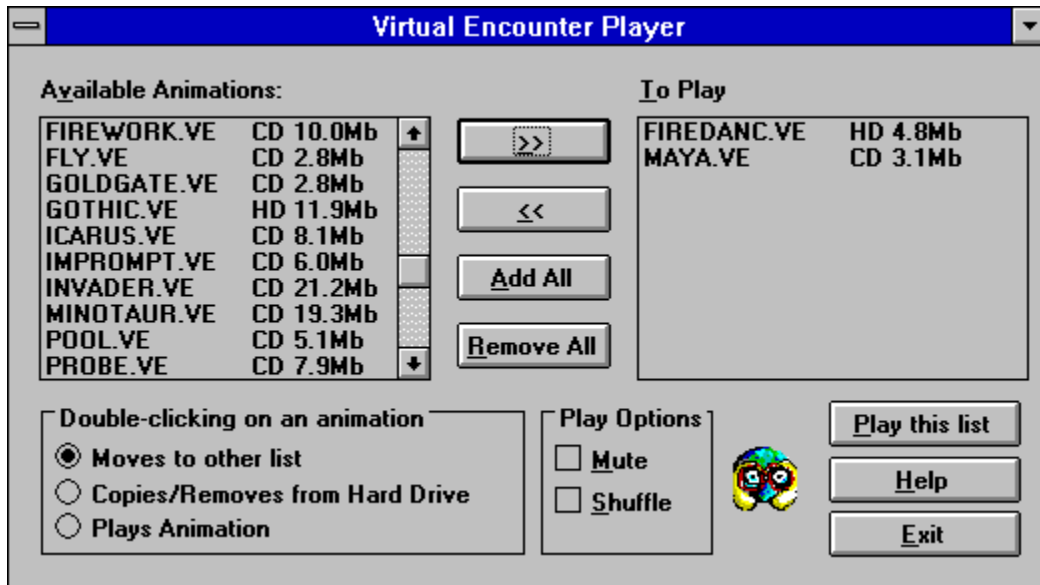
During playback in the player mode, you have the following controls:

Keyboard	Mouse	Action
Escape	Right Button	Exits playback
Page Down	Left Button	Goes to next animation in playlist
Page Up		Goes to previous animation in playlist
Home		Restart current animation

When an animation ends, it will automatically go to the next one. If the shuffle button is checked, then the next one is randomly selected.

The Main Screen

Click on an area for more information



Sample Screen

Playback Controls

These keystrokes only apply while the animation is playing within the player mode.



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Within screen saver mode, any keystroke or mouse activity will exit playback.

Copying files to and from the hard drive

Copying files in between the hard drive and the CD-ROM is accomplished by selecting the "Copies/Deletes files" radio button, and double-clicking on an animation in either lists.

Building the "To Play" list

The  and
 buttons move selected animations between lists.

The  and
 buttons move the entire list of animations between lists.

Selecting the "Moves to other list" radio button, and double-clicking on an animation in either list will move that animation.

CD Titles aren't showing up in the Animation List

Symptom: Only animations on the hard drive are showing in the animation list.

Explanation: The animation list only displays animations it can currently see. Only the Windows directory (where animations are copied to) and the CD-ROM is checked.

Cause	Fix
CD drive letter changed	Run the SETUP program from the CD.
CD drive letter unavailable	Verify that you can access your CD drive from the File Manager. If it is not accessible, consult your CDROM drive's documentation for instructions on how to correct this.
Wrong CD in drive.	Verify that the VE disk is in the CD-ROM drive.

If no animations are showing, it is possible that none have been copied to the hard drive and that the CD is not present.

Play Options

If the "Mute" button is checked, no sound will be played with the animation

If the "Shuffle" button is checked, the play list will be played in a random order, although the same animation will not play twice in a row (unless it is the only one selected).

If this box is cleared, the enabled animations will play in the order shown in the animation list.

