

# HOW TO INSTALL YOUR OWN PICTURE IN THE CLOCK DA

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Late in January '87 the file PINUP CLOCKDA (#3533) was uploaded to GENie. A few days later the pinup was replaced by a picture of Opus in OPUS CLOCKDA, so I figured that there must be a relatively easy way to create one's own background picture for the Clock DA. With a little help from ResEdit, here it is.

1. Create a background picture in MacPaint. The Clock DA window is about 4 inches square and you really have only about 1.5 inches on the left side of the window from top to bottom for most of your subject. The rest of it is covered by the calendar and clock in the DA. Fullpaint/Superpaint pictures will probably work also, but I haven't tried it with those programs.
2. Copy your picture to the clipboard. I do this by opening a new paint file and then using the Artisto desk accessory to copy the one I've created to the clipboard. Then I bail out of MacPaint (no need to paste the copied picture to the new file).
3. The DA file which will be modified is OPUS CLOCKDA. You can just as easily use PINUP CLOCKDA. Make a copy of the DA file if you want to keep the original.
4. Open ResEdit. Double-click the name of the ClockDA you want to change. You'll see a window with the resources for the Clock DA. They are DRVR, PICT and WIND.
5. Double-click the DRVR resource. Write down the ID of the ClockDA shown in the DRVR window. (for PINUP CLOCKDA the ID is 16, for OPUS CLOCKDA the ID is 19). Now close the DRVR window.
6. Double-click the PICT resource. A window with a portion of the ClockDA background picture will appear. Double-click somewhere on the picture. A rectangle will enclose it.
7. Go to the FILE menu at the top of the screen and choose CLEAR. The Opus (or Pinup) picture will be erased. Now go to the FILE menu and choose PASTE. The picture which you copied to the clipboard will appear in the PICT resource window. There should be only one picture in the PICT resource window. If there is more than one picture, the PICT window will be scrollable. Clear all other pictures from the window by selecting them and choosing CLEAR from the FILE menu.
8. Select the new picture which you have pasted into the PICT resource window. Go to the FILE menu and select GET INFO. Another window will appear, titled INFO FOR PICT. You should see the ID number (-15776 for Opus or -16000 for Pinup) and the Owner ID number (19 for Opus or 12 for Pinup). If the Owner ID isn't the same as the DRVR resource number, enter the DRVR resource number in the Owner ID number box. The other ID number will self-adjust.
9. Now close all the windows and save your modified ClockDA copy when asked by ResEdit. That's all there is to it. You should be able to install your new ClockDA and see your own background picture. By the way, the name of the DA as it was loaded onto GENie was Special Clock. If you want to change that name, you can do so by opening GET INFO for the DRVR resource. There you will see the DA title which you can change.