

# First Responder

## CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR FIRST ISSUE!

Thanks for the info! The journal is quite well done and worth reading even for a somewhat seasoned developer. Keep up the good work!

*±Luis Arias, Elysia, Inc.*

Thank you very much for making *NXApp* available on NeXTanswers and the archive sites. I found the first issue [*NXApp* 1, Winter 1994] interesting and informative. I also found it reassuring to see NeXT taking such an active role in developer support.

Will you have a letters column, to gauge the response of the developer community?

*±Ernest Prabhakar*

*We're glad to hear you like the journal. We hope you continue to find it helpful.*

*As to the the letters column: All you had to do was ask! If we continue to get letters in, we'll keep printing them—slightly edited, of course! We'll see how things evolve over time.*

*If you have additional ideas, send them on in. Thanks.*

## MISSING EXAMPLES

I just finished reading <sup>a</sup>Branching Out With Dynamic Loading.<sup>o</sup> Well done! I learned a lot

about a subject that I hadn't previously had any programming experience with.

I looked forward to the example application described in the article, DynaDoodle, but my copy of *NXApp* included no floppy. I also checked the *NeXTanswers Quarterly* CD-ROM I recently received, but the examples don't appear to be on it either. How can I get a copy of DynaDoodle?

*±Art Isbell, Cubic Solutions*

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*For the folks in these programs, we're working out a schedule that ensures you have the code for any issue of NXApp by the time the issue actually arrives. You'll receive one thingÐNeXTanswers Quarterly, NEXTSTEP In Focus, or NXAppÐeach month, so we have to plan them all together.*

*While this synchronization of journals and CD-ROM didn't work for the first issue of NXApp, we think we'll have it all right from now on. To patch things up, we put the first issue on the standard NeXTanswers service early, so it would be accessible to everyone.*

*Sorry for the confusion.*

**NEAT PICTURES, HIGH COST**

I'm curious what drawing tools you used to produce the fabulous illustrations in the premier issue of *NXApp*. In particular, how did you create the curved arrows in the article <sup>a</sup>An Informal Approach to OOD<sup>o</sup>? Also, the elements of the flow diagrams look like buttons. I'd like to add this to my repertoire. The layout was great tooÐvery readable and pleasant to look at.

Besides form, I also loved the content. But the expense is hard for us to justify. My budget is small and carefully scrutinized. Since we aren't a NEXTSTEP shop, an expensive subscription would be frowned upon. I guess for sites with hundreds of NEXTSTEP seats the subscription rate probably isn't an issue. But for those of us who are trying to grow the base, it's a bit exorbitant. Any thoughts?

Anyway, I loved the premier issue. Keep up the great work!

±Michael A. Duke

*The illustrations were created in Adobe Illustrator™ by some very talented artists and designers. They used complex arcs to build the arrows and lots of layers to make the beveled buttons.*

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