XEmView

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1.2   Copyright Notice

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1.4 What is this?

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INTRODUCTION

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What is XEmView? Well, it is like those programs that let you view ANSI

graphic files, but _much_ better! XEmView uses external emulation

libraries to view it's files. This makes it very versitle. All you need

to do is put the appropriate xem libraries into LIBS: and load up XEmView.

Now you can view your favorite files using whatever library you desire :)

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1.5 Requirements

The only requirement needed to run XEmView is WorkBench 2.0+ (KS V36+)

1.6 Installation

Before using XEmView, you may find it necessary to copy all files in

XEmView/Libs to LIBS:. This directory contains reqtools.library and

various XEm libraries which are needed to run XEmView.

Ex: Copy XEmView/Libs/#? LIBS:

1.7 Options

I. Menu Options
II. Startup Options

1.8   Menu Options

1 Project

1.1 Load Config: Load previously saved configuaration file.

1.2 Save Config: Save current configuration.

1.3 About: A little bit about XEmView.

1.4 Quit: Just that!

2 Commands

2.1 View File: Load and view a file using the currently selected

XEm library.

2.2 Clear CRT: Clears the screen and puts the cursor in the home

position.

2.3 Reset XEm: This will clear the screen, move the cursor to the

home position. It may also reset the xem library's

character sets, text styles, etc.

2.4 Setup: Lets you setup the program to your liking.

2.4.1 Emulation: Enter the emulation you want to use here.

2.4.2 Select Emulation: Use a file requester to locate the XEm

library you want.

2.4.3 Screen Mode: This will bring up a requester letting you

select screen type, resolution, and depth

used by XEmView.

2.4.4 TitleBar: Toggle the screen's titlebar on or off.

2.4.5 Ok: Use current settings.

2.4.6 Cancel: Cancel these options and use previous ones. Pressing

the Escape key has the same effect.

There are keyboard shortcuts to all of these options. Next to a menu

option you will see an 'A' and then a letter after it. To select that

option, press the Right Amiga Key plus the letter that appears next to

the option you want. On the setup window, you only need to press the

letter that is underlined in order to select that option.

1.9   Startup Options

I. Workbench

II. CLI

1.10   Workbench Startup

To start XEmView from the Workbench all you need to do is double click on the XEmView icon. The program will then be loaded.

1.11   CLI Startup

There are two ways XEmView can be started from the CLI. The first is to just type XEmView. This will load up the program the same way as if you started it from the Workbench. The second way is to pass XEmView some parameters and use it more as a viewer which will show the picture and wait for a certain amount of time. After this time has expired, XEmView will then show another picture if one is specified or it will quit if no more pictures are to be shown. This is valuable if you are using XEmView in a script and wish to show many different files. In order for XEmView to work this way, it needs to know some information which you will pass to it on the command line. The format is as follows:

XEmView [<library name> <delay> <filename>...<filename>]

library name: This is the name of the xem library you wish to view the file(s) with.

delay: The amount of time to wait between each file viewed specified in seconds. This must be given even if one file is being viewed. If you don't want to wait at all, set this to 0.

If only one file is specified, this is the amount of time XEmView will wait before quitting.

filename: This is the name of file(s) you wish to view.

The full path must be given.

Let's suppose we wanted to view a file named testfile.txt with xemascii.library, wait 10 seconds, and then quit. We would then enter the following:

XEmView xemascii.library 10 testfile.txt

Now suppose we want to view three files named file1.txt,file2.txt, and file3.txt. We want to use the xemamiga.library and we want to pause 5 seconds after each picture. We would enter the following:

XEmView xemamiga.library 5 file1.txt file2.txt file3.txt

1.12   What's New?

Version 1.0: * Initial release

Version 1.1: * Included a screen mode requester therefore

eliminating the need for the "Colors" gadget

on the setup window.

* Fixed a few message requester problems.

* Fixed a bug that opened the xem library twice

if a different library was chosen from the

setup window.

* Added the option to reset the xem.

* XEmView can now be passed parameters from the

CLI and show multiple files this way.

* PAL screenmode now works correctly (I hope :)

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