

The Windows Menu

The commands in this menu bring windows to the front of the screen and, in the case of the last two commands, remove them. Other kinds of commands, even if they affect windows in some way, should be located elsewhere in the menu hierarchy.

Arrange in Front stacks and offsets all the application's document windows (those that can become the main window and are created using Open and New commands) at the front of the screen. Applications can substitute an Arrange command that brings up a panel or menu giving the user more choices concerning which windows to arrange and how they should be tiled or stacked.

The commands below Arrange in Front list document windows. Each command brings one window to the front and, if possible, makes it the key window. The Application Kit creates this list and dynamically adds a command for each document window when it's opened.

The Miniaturize Window command miniaturizes the key window (if it has a miniaturize button). The affected window need not be a document window.

The Close Window command closes the key window (if it has a close button). If the window is the last one (or only one) open displaying a document, it also closes the document, just as the Close command would. (See also ^a Document Menu,^o for a description of the Close command.)