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# **Chapter 1**

# Script File V3.0 ©1994-96 Carsten Schubert

## 1.1 Script File V3.0 ©1994-96 Carsten Schubert

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BENEFITWARE

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Copyright & Distribution

Requierments

What is this program anyway?

How to use ScriptFile

WBSTART and its advantages

Installation

Thanx & Greetings:

My address:

Known Bugs

History / What's new in 3.0

Look at the History & Installation!!!
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# 1.2 Copyright & Distribution

Copyright & Distribution

This program is BENEFITWARE. It may be freely distributed in its complete, unmodified form (program and docs).

#### BENEFITWARE means:

If you use the program regulary, please send a gift to a benefit-organisation or to the people running Aminet.

Please note to your money-order the word "scriptfile" and send me a message.

#### 1.3 Requierments

Requierments

OS 2.04 and IconX in c:.

Is seems to be useful to own a CD-ROM drive, a SyQuest or something similar.

#### 1.4 What is this program anyway?

What is this program anyway?

(Refer to the german AMIGA-MAGAZIN 7/95, p. 100, 'Auf CD lassen')

If you drag an icon over the appicon or appwindow, the program will generate a batchfile like:

cd freshfish-dec93:new/amigalibdisks/disk932/dynamicskies
freshfish-dec93:new/amigalibdisks/disk932/dynamicskies/dynamicskiesdp

or

sys:tools/vt PictureCD:foo/bar/yep/picture1.gif

and an icon with the same image as that of the original program. Both can be found in a preset path (eg. RamDisk). Double click the icon and the program (e.g. dynamicskies) will be started from CD-Drive.

You may ask, however: 'What the heck is this the use of such a program?' Well, I suppose you have a really big harddrive and are able to copy whole CDs onto it. Normal people do not have GB hardddrives and may have some hassle in dealing with paths like

'foo:bar/bla/doublefoo/blabla/foofoofoo/argh/stopit/yuk/iwontgoanyfurther' If you have paths like this ScriptFile may be very useful.

I wrote this program, because I own (only) a 52MB harddisk and I don't have the money to buy a second one (you can get only 270MB drives for DM 300,- or 200,- US\$ here in Germany), because I'm a student.

So I couldn't copy any File to my HD, because I've not enough space left!

ScriptFile have following features:

- the batchfiles doesn't need much space
- you need not remember where a program was
- you need not click through thousands of directories
- starting a ScriptFile-program is much faster than starting from floppy
- if you have inserted the wrong CD the system will request the right one
- easy to use
- handling of pictures, music, animations, texts & the archives lha, arc, zoo, zip, tar, lhasfx, zoom, warp & dms.
- dirhandling If you drag a dir over scriptfile, all files of this dir are handeled, EXEPT SUBDIRS.

At this place I ask the CD-producers for giving their CDs definite names (Here in Germany there are two series (Saar & Amok) packed on one CD, named "cd". It would be better to call it "Saar&Amok" or something like that)!

## 1.5 How to use ScriptFile

How to use ScriptFile

Just drag & drop an/some icon(s) over the ScriptFileAppWindow and the "scripted file" can be found in the preset or requested path!

-ScriptFile runs with executables, pictures, music, animations texts and archives lha, arc, zoo, zip, tar, lhasfx, zoom, warp & dms.

IT'S NECESSARY THAT THE PROGRAMS LHA, ARC, ZOO, UNZIP, UNTAR, UNWARP, ZOOM & DMS ARE LOCATED IN THE C:-DIR!

You will find them in Aminet/util/arc/!

Note of the Author:

I wrote this feature before Aminet 3 was released. I think that this funktion ins't still neccesary, in spite of the excellent amigaguide-system on the Aminet-CDs. So askdarc will not be updated, except this is a wish of several users, tell it to me!

- -Don't rename the program!
- -The outfile will have the suffix '.sf'!
- -The program needs 'Def\_sf.info in s:!

  ('Def\_sf.info will be copied to s: by the installationscript)
- -All viewers- & players-paths have to be fed into the computer after starting the Demoversion.
- -Executable Files must be ready installed on the CD.

-A progressindicator is shown in the appwindow. NEW IN v3.0:

You can create you own standard-scripts in s:sf.
These scripts must have the same name as the filetype (e.g. gif).
If a script for a filetype isn't found, scriptfile will generate the standard-script:

"sys:utilities/multiview %s".

As you can see, there is a fill-in (%s), in which scriptfile will input the filepath of the dropped file(s), when generating the  $\star.sf-file$ .

Gadgets

Prefs

#### 1.6 Gadgets

Gadgets

Here you can set some presets:

Hide-Button:

- iconifies the Window

Closegadget or QUIT:

- exits the program.

Info:

- shows the version of ScriptFile.

Output | "«":

- sets the outputpath. « will call the Requester.

Requester:

- The program will request the outputpath of the scripted file.

Start window:

- start program as AppWindow or AppIcon
 (ATTENTION: prefs will be written after clicking this gadget)

#### 1.7 Prefs

The Prefs-Option has been deleted

#### 1.8 WBSTART © STEFAN BECKER

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WBStart by Stefan Becker has following features:
- Programs behave like started on their original device (tooltypes included)
- Project-Icons are identified!
- Texts are shown by their default tool.

You should use WBStart V>=1.4.

WBStart can be found in Aminet (or on Aminet-CD) in util/cli/.

Special thanx to Stefan Becker!

Create two files named exe and text in s:sf/ with any text-editor.
type in:
c:wbstarter %s
and save it.
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#### 1.9 Installation

Installation

Click the installer-Icon and something wonderful will happen!

If nothing happens, you must copy some files:

File Destination dir

Scriptfile & ~.info Whereeveryouwant Scriptfile.guide & ~.info Whereeveryouwant

Def:sf.info Sys:prefs/Env-Archive/

New in 3.0:

You have to create the dir s:sf

That's all.

## 1.10 Thanx & Greetings:

Thanx & Greetings to

Peter Schmitz,

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Stolle,
Rudolf-Römer-Sternwarte,
Ralf Müller (Aminet-runnig on DVZ, ex-beta-testing & many tips),
Andreas Schmitz,
C. Sroka,
R. Schwung,
Matt Dilon for DICE,
Stefan Becker for WBSTART,
Dirk Ludwig,
Olaf Barthel,
Thomas Barthel (DVZBAR) for continuing the mirroring of Aminet,
Michael Reimann,
Frank Munkert for the AMICDROM-Filesystem,
M. Hüther,
all people running AMINET,
J., A. & A. Maschtaler,
and especially to my (ex-)wife Olivia
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## 1.11 My address:

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I will only answer mail if you enclose an postpaid envelope (damn, what was this abbreviation?....)

Special THANX to Olaf Barthel, 'cause I've taken the identifyparameters from termidentify.c.
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#### 1.12 KNOWN BUGS:

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- Problem With Prop-Fonts?

If you selected a very big Prop-Font, the system will use topas 8!

- If you want to script manny files, raise the stack of scriptfile!

Bug reports & ideas to

my adress

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Enjoy the program!
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#### 1.13 History / Whats new in 3.0

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The history starts at V2.5 (sorry).
2.5:
- locale-support
- picturehandling
- texthandling
- handling of animations
- handling of following archieves:
  lha, arc, zoo, zip, tar & dms
2.5.1:
- add handling of
following archieves:
  lhasfx, warp & zoom
- locale-support for AskDArc
2.5.2:
- fixed some bugs in ScriptFile &
 AskDArc.
2.5.3:
- progressindicator in appwindow
- fixed bug in ScriptFile.
2.6:
- fixed some bugs in GUI
- fixed some bugs (prefs, filehandling etc.)
- support of STEFAN BECKERS WBSTART:
    - programs will be startet with their
     original tooltypes
    - projects are now supported
- scriptfile is now BENEFITWARE
2.6.1:
- fixed bug in ScriptFile.
- fixed bug in Installer-script
2.6.2
- Funktion of closegadet changed. It now quits
  the program.
3.0:
- No prefs-window.
 Now using user-written scripts (Send me your comments!)
- Now handling directories.
  If you drag a dir over scriptfile, all files of this dir are handeled,
  EXEPT SUBDIRS.
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#### 3.0.1

Correcting bugs (report of Christian Sroka)

- Bigger gadgets (problems with some Fonts in the german version)
- Installerscript corrected
- Errormessage corrected
- minor changes

PLEASE SEND ME ERROR-REOPTS AND TELL ME YOUR OPINION ABOUT THE NEW VERSION!