Version History

2.0, April 1, 1996.

• Completely rewritten in C++ using Metrowerks CodeWarrior and PowerPlant as a fat binary for native PowerPC performance,

• Support for multiple Play Lists with full drag and drop support, including drag conversion to the Finder,

· Improved Status window that contains more information and a progress indicator,

• Added support for the following formats:

 \Diamond IMA 4:1 and μ -law in AIFF/AIFC, 'snd ' resources and QuickTime movies,

 \Diamond IMA 4:1, $\mu\text{-law}$ and a-law in WAVE files,

 \Diamond IRCAM,

MPEG audio layers I and II on PowerPC computers, and

- ♦ ScreamTracker 3 (S3M) files using the ZSS driver.
- Conversion of QuickTime movies without an intermediate file,

• Conversion options to force mono/stereo and 8-/16-bit output and to "DOSify" output filenames,

- Revamped Preferences dialog,
- Enhanced AppleScript support for playback and conversion,
- Rewrote the Help text, and
- Created a better-looking application icon.

2.0.1, April 26, 1996.

- Fixed a problem with the playback of mono IMA WAVE files,
- Fixed a problem which may crash due to a bug in the Apple's Sound Manager header,
- Fixed a problem playing very short files using double buffering.

2.0.2, April 29, 1996.

• Corrected build problem which caused 2.0.1 to crash frequently.

2.0.3, June 11, 1996.

- · Corrected a length problem with some odd WAVE files,
- Uses the "applFont" instead of "geneva" to permit localization,

• Dragging a file onto the SoundApp icon with a Play List open no longer adds the file to the list,

• SoundApp now maintains looping and base note information when converting between AIFF and 'snd ' resources, including System 7 sound files,

- MPEG playback now no longer causes jerky mouse movement,
- Mono MPEG files now play at the proper speed,
- Closing the Status window via AppleScript no longer crashes.

2.1, July 10, 1996.

• Added support for the following formats:

 \Diamond MIDI (type 0, 1 and karaoke) files using the AMP drivers and

♦ GSM-compressed WAVEs and raw GSM (".au.gsm") files.

- Incorporated new ZSS drivers,
- Files passed to open/play/convert via AppleScript can now be specified as strings,

• Added Name/Type column headers to Play List windows, implemented title click sorting like the Finder and added Sort sub-menu (sorting method is saved in Play List files and dragging items into a sorted list maintains sort order),

- Can now pause playback using the spacebar,
- Added ";"-key for stopping after the file that is currently being processed,
- Added floating button bar and a menu item to show and hide it,
- Play Lists now support continuous shift-selection with scrolling,
- The DOSify preference now allows underscores in the converted filenames,
- Fixed a bug which crashed after sending an quit AppleEvent while playing,
- Fixed a bug which would insert a very short click at the beginning of a WAVE output file,

• Fixed a bug while converting MPEG files with an internal CRC check which caused the conversion to fail,

• No longer write non-standard AIFF headers when converting,

• Fixed a bug that would cause a crash when two MOD files are played one after the other using the ZSS drivers,

• Removed some math calls which would prevent SoundApp from running with some old versions of MathLib on Power Macs.

2.1.1, July 12, 1996.

Corrected playback problem on 68K Macs.

2.2, December 3, 1996.

• Added a new Convert menu to group all the convert output options, added the capability to save conversion preferences as a named configuration, added an editor for saved sets, and removed all output format related options from the Convert preferences pane,

· Added Sound Designer and direct QuickTime output formats,

• Added support for MACE-3 and MACE-6 compression in SoundEdit files,

Added support for AIFF and 'snd ' files explicitly encoded with the 'twos' and 'raw ' codecs,

• Re-wrote the MIDI code from scratch and added OMS support and a new MIDI Preferences pane,

Included new ZSS drivers with MTM support,

• Added Script menu which lists the scripts in a "Script Menu Items" folder,

• The volume preference is now relative to the system volume, thus will have no effect on other applications' volume, and can now go from 10% to 150%,

• Fixed sample rate specification with AIFF files due to an incompatibility with CodeWarrior and extended floating point numbers,

• Fixed a bug which could cause a hang while playing MED/OctaMED files with the ZSS driver set as preferred,

• Fixed a problem which caused some files to be left open when dragged to the Play List,

• Now properly calculates the length of MPEG Layer I files,

• Removed two-byte click at the beginning of converted System 7 sound files,

• Added Info window to provide more information on a sound file,

Added extensive AppleScript support,

• Added a "SoundApp Home Page" to the Help menu if Internet Config is installed,

• Conversion of suitcases or MOD files now places the sounds in a sub-folder,

• ADPCM file playback is now no longer affected by the "Play a/ μ -law as 8-Bit" or the "Convert a/ μ -law as 8-Bit" preference,

• Upgraded to CodeWarrior 10.

2.2.1, December 5, 1996.

• Corrected a problem upgrading the preferences file from 2.1.1 to 2.2, which would result in a corrupted file. If you used version 2.2, you'll need to reset your preferences.

2.2.2, December 12, 1996.

• Conversion downsampling from 44.1 or 48 kHz to a lower rate (e.g., 32 kHz) no longer produces slight clicks,

• Playback of MIDI files using OMS now uses the proper selected device,

• Work around a bug in QuickTime 2.1 which prevented many MIDI files from playing,

• Fixed a bug which prevented MOD conversion on 680x0 Macs,

• Fixed a bug which caused random shuffling of Play Lists to not be very random.

2.2.3, February 26, 1997.

• SoundApp no longer gets confused if the Controls Palette is closed while playing a file from a Play List,

Made another attempt to allow SoundApp to work without a PowerPC-native AppleScript,

• Corrected two AppleScript dictionary problems (one which prevented conversion to a specific format type and another which prevented saving a Play List to a specified file),

• If SoundApp is in the midst of playing some sounds and a folder is dropped onto SoundApp, the sound files contained therein will now be added to the playback queue,

• Cleaned up internal memory management and fixed some issues with drag and drop in Play Lists,

• Significantly speeded up the sorting of Play Lists.

2.3, April 26, 1997.

- Added support for the following formats:
- ◊ MPEG audio layer III (for computers with a PowerPC processor),
- ◊ uncompressed stereo Amiga IFF/8SVX files.
- Partially corrupt MPEG files will now skip over the corrupt frames,

• Added new preferences to copy files when dragged from a Play List and to append the

".type" suffix to output filenames,

• Fixed a bug which would cause a crash when using AppleScript to get info on an invalid file,

- Fixed a bug in the conversion to WAVE and AIFF files,
- Using the space bar to pause play back now updates the Controls Palette,
- Added AppleScript commands to get and set the playback volume,
- Fixed a minor Play List button highlight problem,
- · QuickTime soundtracks with non-standard time bases are now dealt with properly,
- Closing an empty Play List will not ask whether to save,

• Fixed a bug which could crash while attempting to drag an item from a sorted Play List to itself,

- Now better deals with file systems which are too slow to keep up with playback,
- Added Q&A topic to the Help window to address some frequently asked questions concerning SoundApp.

2.3.1, May 7, 1997.

• Fixed a small preference problem which prevented conversion from working unless a version 2.2.3 preferences file existed,

- Improved MPEG playback stability and made decompression more responsive,
- Converting to AIFF, System 7 or QuickTime IMA now no longer introduces a low frequency buzz.