Show Partner

Show Partner is a software package for creating slide shows on MS-DOS computers. It was published in the middle 1980s.

Show Partner is a bundle of four applications:

GED

A simple paint program that can create monochrome, CGA or EGA images and save them in a proprietary ".GX2" format.

Capture

A TSR program that can be invoked when another program is running, to save the current contents of the screen as a ".GX2" file.

SED

Used to write the "script" of the slide show, by specifying which images (or parts of images) should be shown at which times. The user can select from a variety of different visual effects and even add simple interaction, where the script branches to different places depending on which key is pressed.

Show

Used to view a complete slide show, consisting of the ".GX2" files containing the images and the ".SPS" file containing the script. This is the only part of the package that can be freely distributed.

Originally Published by Brightbill-Roberts of Syracuse, NY. The rights to Show Partner and another product from BR called, "HyperPAD", were purchased in 1993 by IQ Technologied of Houston, Texas. IQ continued to publish Show Partner until 1996. The last version 3.7 is available for downloading at http:/ / www. megaiq. com/ showpartner. MegaIQ is owned by the same individual who founded IQ Technologies and owns all rights to Show Partner F/X.

.GX2 graphic files can be converted to the more common .PCX files using the GX2PCX.exe application found inside Show Partner version 3.7. The PC Paintbrush .PCX file can be viewed or further converted to other graphic types (such as JPG) by freeware like Irfanview. As GX2PCX application can only be run under DOS environment, free application like DOSBOX is required for Window based PC systems.

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