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Review: iCal 1.0

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On September 10, 2002 Apple shipped **iCal**, a free calendaring program for Mac OS X version 10.2 or newer. This program is a significant addition to Apple's iApplications (iTunes, iMovie, etc.) and is potentially the best calendaring program I've ever used.



iCal is a great way to keep track of all the events in your life. Just click and drag across a length of time in any day and an event is created for that duration. Type in a description for the event and you're done. Of course you can customize any event to modify its time, date, and duration,

make it repeat, have the event act as an alarm by displaying a message in a window, e-mailing you, and/or playing a sound. You can display your calendar by day, week, or month, jump to a specific day in a month, or search for events by typing in a small search field similar to the one in Mail, Address Book, and Finder windows.

If Apple had stopped there, **iCal** would be an excellent application, but of course they didn't. You can create multiple calendars and view as many as you want at once. Events from different calendars display in different colors, and events become translucent when they are overlapped by other events, allowing you to focus on just the event you want. You can share calendars with your friends that use **iCal** by publishing your calendars and subscribing to theirs. When you change your calendar, **iCal** updates any published calendar data, so people subscribed to your calendar get the updated events automatically. Publishing and subscribing calendars requires access to a WebDAV server, and iDisk (part of Apple's .Mac software) is just such a server. You can test this feature out immediately by subscribing to any of the free calendars Apple has made available, including calendars for holidays, sporting events, movies and televised events, educational events, and more.

In addition to sharing calendars with other **iCal** users, people with .Mac accounts can allow anyone to view their calendars in any web browser. **iCal** integrates with Address Book, allowing you to drop Address Book

contacts onto events in the **iCal** window and send those people invitations to the event via e-mail. There is also a To Do list that lets you keep track of what you've done and what you haven't. Apple has another product called iSync, which synchronizes event data between **iCal** and Bluetooth-enabled mobile phones, other Macs, Palm handheld organizers, and iPods.

The original article is longer than is appropriate for this newsletter. The full unedited version is available online at <http://www.dbug.org/>.

Go to www.dbug.org to read the rest of the review

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR MEMBERS

dBug 2002 Elections and Bylaw Changes

By now everyone should have received their 2002 dBug ballots for the 2003 Board. There are five board positions to be filled. The candidates currently hold the following positions within dBug:

- Jack Alton: Treasurer
- Don Arbow: Webmaster
- Jim DaMico: Hot Tops Sig Leader
- Mike Grueter: Sig Coordinator
- Karen Lindner: Volunteer Coordinator

There is more information about each of the candidates in the Elections Conference on the Exchange and in their resumes. Click on their names in an e-mail or the directory to get to the resumes.

IN ADDITION TO MAIL-IN BALLOTS, WE WILL TAKE TIME AT THE ADOBE/OMNI MEETING TO VOTE ON BYLAWS CHANGES.

The proposed changes to the bylaws and the old bylaws are available on the website, HYPERLINK <http://www.dbug.org/> in the section, "About dBug". Click on Bylaws in the left column. Also they are available in the "dBug Information" Conference inside The Exchange.

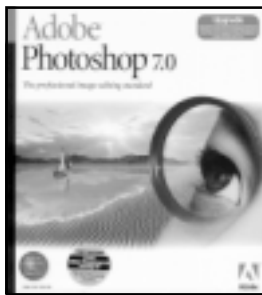
ADOBE and OMNI together on a Tuesday night

NOVEMBER 12TH, 6:30 pm • dBUG'S MAIN MEETING at ADOBE

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Win Photoshop 7.0, Jaguar (OS X.2), OmniWeb, OmniGraffle, and/or Omni Outliner

Chad Rolfs, who will demonstrate **PHOTOSHOP** and **PHOTOSHOP Elements** for us, is a Photoshop QE and Trainer for Adobe Systems. Chad joined Adobe in 1997 and currently works on Photoshop and Photoshop Elements as a tester in Seattle. He also teaches Photoshop classes to internal Adobe teams. Chad has developed content for the Photoshop 7 ACE exam, Adobe's "The Lucky 7" editorial outreach campaign,



and has published tutorials on CreativeMac.com and PhotoshopUser.com. Currently Chad is the only known Adobe Photoshop Certified Expert to have reached the summit of Mt. Rainier.

OMNI, one of the companies who develops programs which are only for OSX, will open for Chad with a riff on the OMNI products **OMNI WEB**, **OMNI GRAFFLE**, and **OMNI OUTLINER**.

November/December 2002

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
11 Nov	12 Main Meeting Adobe at Adobe 6:30 p.m. Photoshop and Elements	13 WebObjects SIG Resource Center 7:00 p.m.	14 Hot Topics SIG Resource Center 6:30 p.m.	15	16 dBug Café Resource Center 9:05 a.m.
18 Filemaker Pro SIG Resource Center 7:00 p.m.	19 Hypercard SIG Resource Center 6:30 p.m.	20 Mac OS X SIG Resource Center 7:00 p.m.	21	22	23 dBug Café Resource Center 9:05 a.m.
25	26	27 Digital Imaging SIG Resource Center 6:30 p.m.	28	29	30 dBug Café Resource Center 9:05 a.m.
2 Dec Beginning Mac Users SIG Resource Center 6:30 p.m.	3 Intermediate Mac Users SIG Resource Center 6:30 p.m.	4	5 Digital Video SIG Resource Center 6:30 p.m.	6	7 dBug Café Resource Center 9:05 a.m.
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22	23	24 Digital Imaging SIG Resource Center 6:30 p.m.	25	26	27 dBug Café Resource Center 9:05 a.m.

Be sure to check on the website <www.dbug.org> or call the info line 206-624-9329 for last minute changes.