

XChange Int'l announce Grabber XTensions for Quark v7

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Copy Grabber is perfect for users who have ever wished that they could Cut, Copy and Paste an entire column of tabular copy in two easy steps. To use Copy Grabber, the user simply clicks on the Copy Grabber tool in the Quark tool palette and drags a marquee around the page area they wish to modify. When they release the mouse, the Copy Grabber dialogue appears allowing the user to Cut or Copy all of the text within the marquee area. In an instant, users can remove a column of text and copy it to the special Copy Grabber clipboard. To paste the column, just position the I-beam cursor where the column should be inserted and hit Command-Option-V. Copy Grabber will automatically insert and position the text column like magic, adding or removing tab characters where necessary. With Copy Grabber, working with tables has never been easier. This XTensions module is perfect for annual reports, catalogue work, or any other type of work involving tabular composition.

The Text Grabber XTension provides a unique new way for the QuarkXPress operator to select and modify text. Rather than drag-selecting text the old fashioned way, the Text Grabber tool lets users marquee a complete page area instead. This selection method lets users choose exactly which text they wish to change, easily spanning more than one text box.

Text Grabber is incredibly easy to use. Users simply select the Text Grabber tool from the QuarkXPress tool palette, and drag a marquee around any page area they wish to modify. The selected area remains marqueeed for easy reference, and the operator is presented with a dialogue similar to the Quark Character... dialogue. Any changes entered into this dialogue will be applied to all text within the marqueeed area, regardless of how many boxes contain the text. Change the font, size, colour, etc, and Text Grabber even allows users to apply a specific style sheet to the selected area's text.

The "Apply" button can be used to preview changes, and users confirm the changes when they are satisfied with the result. If they make a mistake, the Grabber Undo/Redo feature will put them right back where they started. To apply the same settings to a different area, the user can just hold down the Command-Option keys while dragging out the marquee. When they release the mouse, their style changes will be applied to the new area instantly. Text Grabber is perfect for quickly changing complete columns within tabular composition.

The Math Grabber XTensions module to Quark allows users to perform mathematical calculations on numerical text appearing anywhere in a Quark document. Like all of the Grabbers, Math Grabber uses the Marquee method of text selection which makes working with tabular material (such as price charts or financial tables) incredibly fast and easy.

For example, if a user needs to decrease all prices in a column by 15%, they simply click on the Math Grabber tool, drag a marquee around the price column they wish to change, enter the discount and click OK. Math Grabber scans the selected area, calculates the new amounts, and inserts the resulting values automatically.

Math Grabber is flexible, allowing users to specify the exact precision of each calculation, or to automatically determine the correct precision by looking at the existing text. It lets users create "separator sets" which can be recalled and applied at any time. This feature can be very useful, especially when working with mixed currency formats in the same document. And like all of the other Grabber products, Undo/Redo is fully supported.

System Requirements:
Macintosh OS X
QuarkXPress 7.0.1 or later

The Grabber XTensions are also available for all versions of QuarkXPress for Macintosh, including 4.11 and 5.01 for OS 9, and 6.50 and 7.01 for OS X. Additionally, the three XTensions may be purchased as a bundle for extra savings.

Text, Copy and Math Grabber are available now through XChange International. To order, or for more information, users can visit www.xchangeuk.com, or call on +44(0)20 7490 4455 during UK business hours.

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