

Current Track to Twitter v1.5

AppleScript for iTunes

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This stay-open applet monitors iTunes and automatically sends info about the current track as the "What are you doing?" entry at your **Twitter** account.

You must have (or create) a password configuration for your Twitter account using the Keychain Access application (instructions below).

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Installation:

If you installed the files from the downloaded disk image by dragging them to the "Installer", then the AppleScript and this Read Me document have already been installed in your *[user name] > Library > iTunes > Scripts* folder. The script will appear in iTunes' Script menu, where you can activate it by clicking on its name.

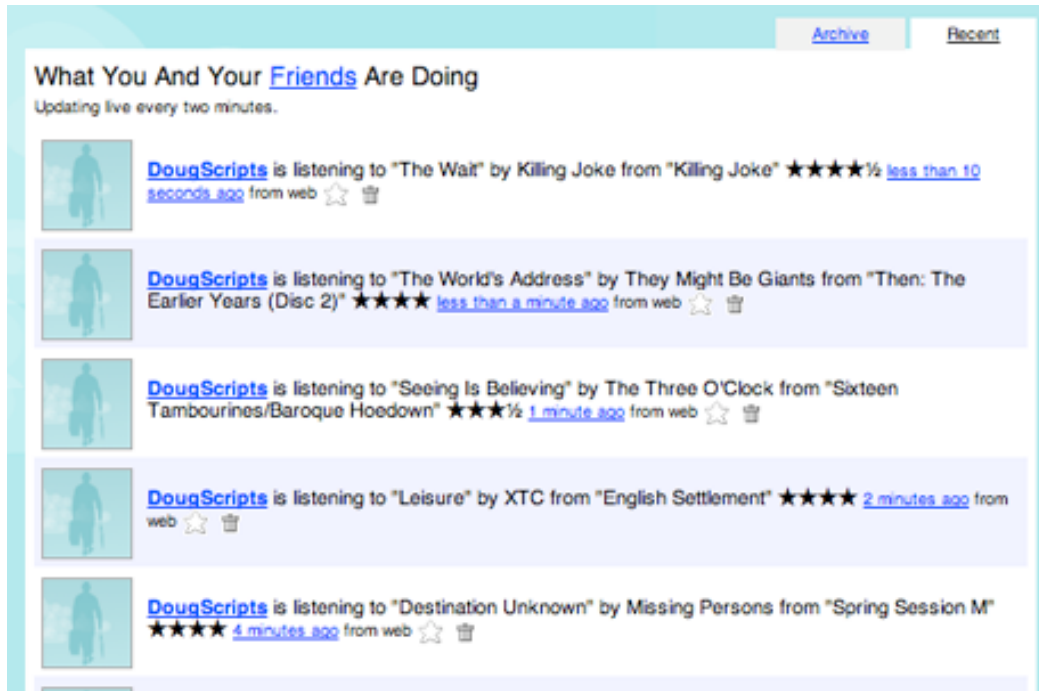
To manually install, if necessary: Put AppleScripts in your iTunes Scripts folder. This is located in *[user name] > Library > iTunes*. If there is no folder named "Scripts" there, create one and put the script(s) in it. AppleScripts will then appear in iTunes' Script menu, and can be activated by selecting by name and clicking. Be sure to also save this Read Me document in a safe and convenient place.

How to use:

Note: See below about configuring your Keychain **before** running.

Run the script, either by choosing it from iTunes' Script menu or by double-clicking it in the Finder. It is a stay-open applet that will appear in the Dock.

Each time a new song starts playing in iTunes info about that song will be sent to your Twitter account:



If iTunes is stopped or quit, the applet does nothing. To quit the applet, select it in the Dock and click on Quit in its File menu.

Configuring Keychain:

Obviously, you must have a Twitter account.

The script needs to know your Twitter account's email address and password. **For security reasons** this information should be stored in your Keychain which the script can access.

To set up a new Twitter Keychain password with the Keychain Access application:

Activate the Keychain Access application, located in the */Applications/Utilities/* folder. From the File menu, click on "New Password Item...". This pane will open up:



For **Keychain Item Name** enter *http://twitter.com*

For **Account Name** enter the email address associated with your Twitter account.

For **Password** enter your Twitter password.

Click the "Add" button and Quit Keychain Access.

You can now run the applet. You may see a dialog asking you to allow the script to access the Keychain. Click the appropriate button ("Allow Once" or "Always Allow") and you'll be all set.

Notes:

The code to contact Twitter via AppleScript is based on code by Coda Hale and I am much obliged. <<http://blog.codahale.com/2007/01/15/tweet-twitter-quicksilver/>>

Helpful Links:

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Information and download link for this script is located at:

<http://www.dougscripsts.com/itunes/scripts/ss.php?sp=currenttotwitter>

Version History:

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- uses the Twitter password from the Keychain rather than hardcoding your Twitter account info in the script

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- initial release

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If you have any trouble with this script, please email me.

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