Art to iChat v1.1

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This stay-open script applet will use the artwork of the currently playing iTunes track as your iChat's Buddy icon while your status is "Available".

This script is Donationware. If you use it and like it *please* consider making a donation to support my AppleScripting efforts. Click here for more info.

Installation:

To manually install: 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.

The script is an AppleScript application ("applet") that can be activated by double-clicking it from anywhere on your computer, but is probably best accessed from iTunes' Script menu.

How to use:

Run the script. It will store your current iChat Buddy icon and while running will update iChat's Buddy icon with artwork from the currently playing iTunes track.

Use this applet in conjunction with iChat's "Current iTunes Track" status message option, why don't you.

Notes:

- If your iChat status changes from "Available" while the applet is running, your original Buddy icon will be restored.

- If a track contains no artwork, your original Buddy icon will be used.
- If either iChat or iTunes is not active, the applet will do nothing.
- When you quit the applet, your original Buddy icon will be restored.

- Refresh the artwork if necessary by reactivating the applet with a single-click on its icon in the Dock.

- In case of weirdness, your default icon is still available by clicking the Buddy icon in iChat and

selecting it from those available.

Helpful Links:

Click on the underlined URL text:

- Doug's AppleScripts for iTunes
- Assign Shortcut Keys to AppleScripts
- Download FAQ Info on downloading and installing AppleScripts

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Information and download link for this script is located at:

http://dougscripts.com/itunes/scripts/ss.php?sp=arttoichat

Version History:

v1.0 oct 10 2005 - changed location of temporary folder to that of startup disk rather than user domain

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

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