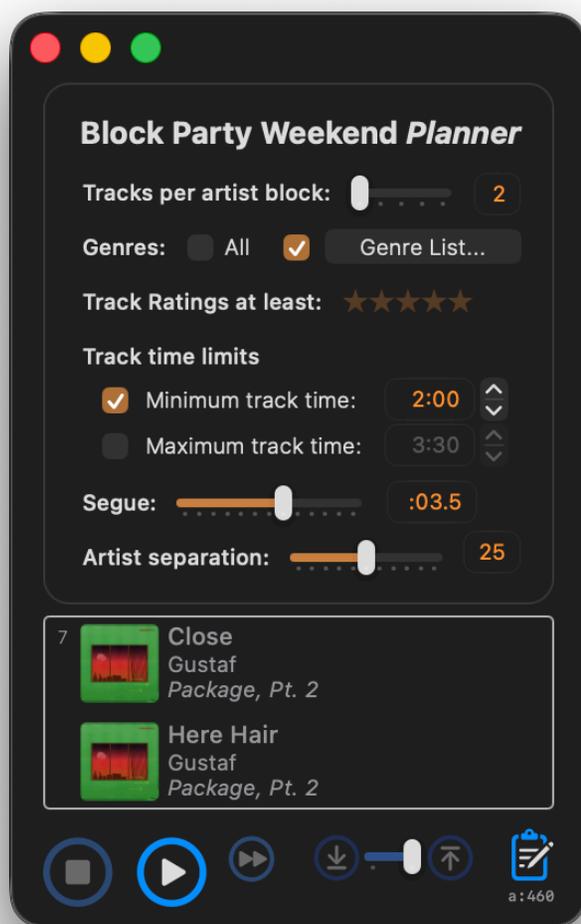


# Block Party Weekend

AppleScript applet - v1.0

This stand-alone music player selects and plays random *songs-in-a-row-by-an-artist* blocks according to user-set criteria, including tailored Genres list, minimum and maximum track length, minimum Rating, Artist separation and more.

For macOS 26 and later.



## Recent Version History:

v1.0 March 20, 2026  
- Initial release

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Visit this app's [entry at dougscripts.com](https://dougscripts.com).

Review the online [Download FAQ](#).

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[Murph](#) - Minimally mannered playlist player for macOS

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

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This app is full-featured donationware. If you use it and find it beneficial, you can send me some money for making it. Thank you.

# How to use:

Launch the app. It will quickly scan your music library for **local, non-Apple Music** and **non-protected** music files.

## Planner

Before engaging play, the blocks can be configured using the settings in the Planner.

- The Planner view can be toggled showing/hidden by clicking the clipboard icon, or by pressing the **return** key. If the Planner is showing during play, its contents will be dimmed.

- Regarding **Segue** and **Artist Separation**:

Segue seconds is the amount of time from the end of the current track when it begins to fade and the next track begins.

Artist Separation is a minimum limit; the same artist will not play again until *at least* that number of other artist blocks have already played.

- Because it may be important for your *listening pleasure* to know—before engaging play—how many potential artist blocks can be played in this session using the current Planner settings, press the "=" key. This number of artists whose tracks meet the criteria will be displayed beneath the clipboard icon. This number is also updated when play is engaged.

## Control Bar

- Stop and Play/Pause perform conventionally.

- Skip to Next Block (**Command-N**) will abandon the currently playing block and start playing the next one. If the skipped block has not played all of its tracks, it will be de-listed.

- Auto-Scroll and Scroll-To

As blocks of tracks play, they appear at the bottom of the list. The Auto-Scroll slider indicates to which direction the playing block scrolls.

The Scroll-To buttons (or their shortcuts, the keyboard's **down arrow** and **up arrow**) will "scootch" the playing block to the bottom or top of the list on-the-fly, when, perhaps, it has been scrolled out of sight.

## Settings

The Settings panel provides additional control (**Command-**)

- Always-on Dark Mode - When un-selected, abides the System Settings
- Window Float
- Engage Play at Launch - Play is engaged when launched, for use as a Login item
- Limit Number of Last Played - Display only the last  $n$  played blocks
- Update songs in Music app (if possible) - The play counts and played dates of played tracks will be incremented in the Music app, if it is running.