Play In Album Context v1.1

AppleScript for iTunes

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This script creates a new playlist that will be populated with all the tracks of the selected/playing track's album in track number order. The original selected track will then begin playing from its track position in the new playlist. Or, if the original track is already playing, it will continue playing from the new playlist (after a brief unavoidable *stutter*).

The playlist created is intended to be temporary. Don't use this script to create playlists of all your albums; that would be extremely foolish.

For OS X 10.6 or better only

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Installation:

To manually install: Put AppleScripts in your iTunes Scripts folder. This is located in [user name] > Library > iTunes.

As of OS X 10.7 (Lion), the user Library directory is hidden by default. Option-click the Finder's "Go" menu and select "Library" to make it visible.

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:

Launch the script while a track is **selected** or while a track is **playing**. The script will assemble all the tracks with the same Album, Artist, and Disc Number of the original track into a new playlist, sorted in track number order (although the playlist will actually be sorted by Play Order).

If the original track is **selected**, it will begin playing in the new playlist from its ordered position.

If the original track is **playing**, the script 1) makes it temporarily bookmarkable, 2) pauses the track (which sets its bookmark), and then 3) resumes playing the track in its ordered position in the new playlist from the bookmark position. There will be a slight stutter as the play transfers from the original playing track to the track in the new playlist.

The new playlist will be named "_Temp_Artiist - Album".

The playlists this script creates are intended to be temporary (like all playlists should be). I do not recommend using this script to make playlists of all your Albums. Having very many playlists to maintain can seriously slow down iTunes performance.

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Information and download link for this script is located at:

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

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