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Welcome to Kaleid-O-Space

Kaleid-O-Space is a mesmerizing screen saver that brings you all the fascination and beauty of a real kaleidoscope, right on your PC! *But ...* Kaleid-O-Space is so much more than a screen saver. Think of it as a full screen interactive toy for your mind and soul.

Kaleid-O-Space Features

- **18 Colorful Animated Kaleidoscopes**
- **Dramatic Animated Transition Effects**
- **Simulates Real 2 and 3 Mirror Kaleidoscopes**
- **Multiple Animated Pattern Layers**
- **Interactive Capabilities**
- **Capture Wallpapers from Any Visual Scene**
- **Store up to 19 Wallpapers at a Time**
- **Cycle Wallpapers Manually or Automatically**
- **Metaphysically Oriented Visual Enhancements**
- **Great for Assisting Meditation and Relaxation**
- **Customizable Setup Options**
- **Easy Installation**
- **Free Download and Trial**
- **Printable Manual**

Kaleid-O-Space begins with a panoramic view of a planet and a galaxy in space. The first in a series of 18 different kaleidoscopes zooms into view and fills your screen. Each kaleidoscope plays as long as you desire based on the setup screen options. Then the kaleidoscope zooms back out into space and the next in the series zooms in to replace it. The kaleidoscopes will continuously cycle as long as the screen saver is active.

If you are interested in metaphysics, just go to the setup screen, enable the metaphysical options of your choice and get ready for a whole new layer of interest.

There are many options in the setup screen for controlling kaleidoscope display duration and performance. You can choose any display timing as well as selecting inter-kaleidoscope transition effects and the complexity level of the kaleidoscope itself. The screen saver can also be used interactively, or as a traditional screen saver that terminates when the mouse is moved.

Kaleid-O-Space runs on any Windows 95, 98, ME, NT4, 2000 or XP system. Recommended system configuration: Intel Celeron or Pentium class CPU at 366 mHz or better, and a graphics card capable of 24 bit graphics at 800x600 or better.

What's New in Version 2.1?

There are two main additions to Kaleid-O-Space in version 2.1:

Metaphysical Animations

Many customers have been inspired to contact us and comment on how easily they can reach alpha brain wave states while watching the kaleidoscopes. As a means of extending this capability or philosophy, we have added an additional layer of animation in two parts; the Core Light and the Light Beings. For more details, please see the Metaphysical Overview.

Wallpaper Capture and Management

We have also received comments that the images of the kaleidoscopes are beautiful and that it would be great to be able to use them as desktop wallpaper as well. Therefore we have added the ability to capture wallpapers from the running screen saver, save the wallpapers, and automatically or manually send them to the desktop for display. For more details, please see the Wallpaper Overview.

Please see the Revision History for more details on this version release.

Purchasing Kaleid-O-Space

Kaleid-O-Space may be purchased from several locations as follows:

Our web site has a purchasing page that is linked from the "Buy Now" button on the main menu. You may also click [HERE](#) to access that page directly. The purchasing page provides options to buy using a credit card from either the PayPal processor, or the RegNow processor. They each have varying features and their own strong points, but either processor will result in the timely delivery of your registration code or your CD-ROM package.

There are "Buy Now" links in two locations within Kaleid-O-Space; the setup screen and the program screen. Either of those links will take you to our web site as described above.

If you are a fan of eBay, we also maintain a constant fixed price auction page for both the download and CD-ROM versions of Kaleid-O-Space. On ebay we accept PayPal or money orders for payment.

A mail order form is available both from our web site and from this program installation. The mail order form is available in Adobe PDF format. You may open and print the form from our web site, or you may use the program group icon to open the locally installed copy. Please print the form and fill it out completely. Our mailing address for sending the payment is on the form. We accept money orders or personal checks by mail. Please allow sufficient time for us to receive and process your payment and then return your purchase by mail.

We will also be listing retail store outlets on our web site that carry Kaleid-O-Space CD-ROM packages "on the shelf". Check on our web site for the listing. The link will be provided from

the purchasing page.

Registering Kaleid-O-Space

Once you have purchased Kaleid-O-Space, you will receive either a registration code alone, or a retail CD-ROM package. In the case of the CD-ROM, your registration code will be inside the case on the installation instruction sheet.

Kaleid-O-Space becomes fully active for an unlimited period after you have entered the registration code into the program. This is accomplished using the Registration dialog. The dialog is available from the Setup screen by pressing the "Enter Your Registration Code" button that is visible in unregistered mode. In some cases you may need to re-register Kaleid-O-Space, such as when you upgrade a wholesale demo version to a full retail version. In that case you may click on the word "Registered" on the setup screen and you will have access to the registration dialog again.

Entering Your Registration Code



The registration dialog provides a text box where you may either type in your code manually, or paste in the code from the Windows clipboard. If you have received your registration code by e-mail then the easiest method is to paste it in.

First, select the entire registration code from your e-mail notice and copy it to the Windows clipboard. Be sure not to include any extra spaces or other characters from either side of the code. Next start Kaleid-O-Space, open the registration dialog, and click the "Paste" button at the end of the text box to automatically fill in the box.

If you manually type in the code, use the keyboard arrow keys to move the cursor to the beginning of the text box at the left end. Next type in the code letters exactly as you see them in any printed copy of the code that you may have. It is not necessary to type the dashes. When you get to each dash in the code, the dialog will skip over the dash and leave it on screen. However, you must enter all four sets of eight characters.

After you have entered the code using one of the methods above, click the "Register" button to complete the process. The dialog will check the code for validity and then save the code and change the program to registered mode. If there is anything wrong with the registration code, a pop-up alert will warn you that it is incorrectly formatted or invalid and ask if you want to try again. Carefully check the code in the dialog against your printed copy and correct any errors or omissions and then click Register again. You get up to six tries to enter the code correctly and then the program will exit. Restart Kaleid-O-Space to try again. Once you have entered the code correctly you will see a "Thank You" message. From then on Kaleid-O-Space will be fully operable. The registration is good for *ANY* version 2.x.x release.

It is not necessary to register again if you upgrade your software version.

To close the dialog without changing the registration, click the "Cancel" button.

The Setup Screen

Setup Screen Overview



The "Setup Screen" is actually a combination of screens that allow you to determine exactly how Kaleid-O-Space will operate. The top part of the setup screen is a graphic that contains the program identification, version and registration information. The bottom part of the screen contains all of the options and function buttons.

During unregistered mode, two additional buttons will appear in the graphic; the "Buy Now" button, and the "Enter a Registration Code" button. The "Buy Now" button will open a

browser window and access the purchase page on the Kaleid-O-Space web site. The "Enter a Registration Code" button will open the registration dialog to allow you to enter your purchased registration code. You can re-open the registration dialog at a later time by clicking the word "Registered" in the header graphic. See the Purchasing Kaleid-O-Space and Registering Kaleid-O-Space topics for more details.

There are two main parts to the setup function; the four setup options screens (Basic, Performance, Metaphysical, and Wallpaper), and the Kaleidoscope Selector and its screens.

At the top of each setup screen is a list box labeled "Select an option group to change >". This list box provides direct access to each group of setup options by category. Simply click the down-arrow and select an item from the list and the screen will jump to the chosen option group.

The bottom row of buttons on the setup screen provide access to this help file in general, access to the Kaleidoscope Selector, a link to our web site, navigation through the setup screens using "Previous" and "Next" buttons, and the "OK" and "Cancel" buttons which determine whether your changes will be implemented or ignored respectively. In addition to the "Help" button, there are "?" buttons distributed throughout the screens that will provide context sensitive help for whatever the button accompanies.

Basic Options

Basic Overview



The Basic Options screen allows you to set the most rudimentary functions such as kaleidoscope transition timing, mouse interactivity, transition effects, help style, and kaleidoscope backgrounds. These functions have the greatest effect on the actions of the kaleidoscope displays. The options can be chosen either using the Preset Options list box or by selecting individual options manually.

Using Basic Presets

Setup Screen Label: "Select a preset option >"

Each setup screen contains a list of preset options. The list can be used to select a pre-defined group of settings that correspond to the descriptions in the list. This is a quick and easy way to set the options for a particular interest. Click the down-arrow and then select a description from the list. If options are then modified manually, any selection from the list will be cleared since the options may no longer match the presets.

The Basic Presets are:

- 3 minutes normal interactive
- 3 minutes normal non-interactive
- 3 mins interactive, no backgrounds
- 3 mins non-interactive, no backgrounds
- 5 minutes normal interactive
- 5 minutes normal non-interactive
- 5 mins interactive, no backgrounds
- 5 mins non-interactive, no backgrounds
- Meditation (Choose scopes manually)

The basic presets are pretty self-explanatory with the possible exception of "Meditation". In the meditation preset the transition delay is set to "999" (virtual infinity or 16.6 hours). This causes the screen saver to settle on one kaleidoscope until you manually advance it to another design. The assumption is that you will pick a favorite design and use it for

concentration and mental focus. The meditation choice shows backgrounds but disables transitions. See the topic on Meditation and the Alpha State for more information.

Using Basic Options

Transition Delay

Setup Screen Label: "Transition delay (mins)"

The transition delay radio buttons and text entry box provide a way to specify how many minutes a kaleidoscope will display before transitioning to the next kaleidoscope. The radio buttons provide one-click access to settings of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 15, and 20 minutes respectively. The text entry box following the 20 minute button allows you to type in any value up to three digits long. Additionally you may specify fractions of a minute by entering a decimal number such as "0.5" for 30 seconds, "0.25" for 15 seconds, etc.

If you have previously selected a preset from the list, and this value is manually changed, then the preset list will go blank since you have customized the settings to something outside the preset values.

Mouse Interactivity

Setup Screen Label: "Disable interactivity and exit on mouse move"

This screen saver contains interactive features, such as the ability to click the Kaleid-O-Space title and Buy Now button on screen to visit our web site, and the ability to click on a running kaleidoscope to manually advance to the next kaleidoscope. There are also buttons that will appear in the top right and lower right of the screen to capture wallpapers, see the next or previous kaleidoscope, reach the setup screen, or exit. Move the mouse pointer to the upper or lower right to show the buttons. This requires the mouse to be operational while the screen saver is running.

If this box is not checked you may press <Escape>, <Return>, <Spacebar> or any other key, or click the Exit button to exit the screen saver. Check this box to cause the screen saver to exit as soon as the mouse is moved. This effectively disables interactive features and sets the saver to operate like a typical non-interactive saver.

If you have previously selected a preset from the list, and this value is manually changed, then the preset list will go blank since you have customized the settings to something outside the preset values.

Transition Effects

Setup Screen Label: "Show transition effects"

This setting enables or disables the display of zooming effects during the transition from one scope to the next. If disabled, the scopes will simply change directly from one kaleidoscope design to the next.

If you have a slower PC, disabling this can improve performance by skipping over some CPU intensive image transformations. However, consider that half the fun of this screen saver is watching the kaleidoscopes move through space.

If you have previously selected a preset from the list, and this value is manually changed, then the preset list will go blank since you have customized the settings to something outside the preset values.

Help Style

Setup Screen Label: "Help Style"

Not all Windows versions support compiled HTML Help. For instance, some Windows 95 and NT 4.x systems only support Win32 style help files. Kaleid-O-Space attempts to automatically determine if your system will support compiled HTML files and sets this option initially to its best guess. You may override the default help style selection and specify that the software uses either WinHTML Help, or Sticky-Notes.

The help style option buttons do not affect choices made from the preset list.

WinHTML

This is the newest version of Windows help and it is supported by Windows 95" B" and higher. In WinHTML help the contents panel is part of the text window and the text formatting options are more robust. Some older installations of Windows NT 4.x may not support WinHTML. If you select "WinHTML" and clicking a "?" button has no effect, then support for WinHTML help is not present on your system. In that case choose "Sticky-Notes".

Sticky-Notes

This is a hold-over from Kaleid-O-Space version 2.0. In version 2.0 all context sensitive help was handled using yellow "sticky-notes" that popped up over the screen when any "?" button was pressed. This system is *very* fast, but there are no search capabilities or links to other help topics. Click anywhere on the screen to clear the sticky-note.

Kaleidoscope Backgrounds

Setup Screen Label: "Show backgrounds"

Each kaleidoscope contains a background panel that mirrors the colors in the kaleidoscope as if you are looking down a corrugated chrome tube. The backgrounds animate into position as part of the transition effects. This esthetic option determines if the kaleidoscope emulates a physical scope, or if the kaleidoscope is shown more like a planet floating in space.

As a minor performance consideration, if you have a slower PC you may want to bypass the backgrounds in favor of having the scope float in space. Disabling backgrounds skips the brief animation while the background expands into place and leaves the glow in place around the kaleidoscope. However, the animation overhead savings is minimal. Alternatively you can disable transitions altogether and leave the backgrounds enabled.

Note: Use caution when disabling this option since without background changes the outer

corners of the screen saver never change, thus making it a little bit less effective in preventing monitor burn-in. Realistically, since the background is black except for the stars this issue is minimal.

If you have previously selected a preset from the list, and this value is manually changed, then the preset list will go blank since you have customized the settings to something outside the preset values.

Performance Options

Performance Overview



The Performance Options screen allows you to compensate for faster or slower PC hardware with options such as display smoothing, secondary kaleidoscope patterns, display size, and display sizing mode. These functions have the greatest effect on the speed and smoothness of the kaleidoscope displays. The options can be chosen either using the Preset Options list box or by selecting individual options manually.

Using Performance Presets

Setup Screen Label: "Select a preset option >"

Each setup screen contains a list of preset options. The list can be used to select a pre-defined group of settings that correspond to the descriptions in the list. This is a quick and easy way to set the options for a particular PC type. Click the down-arrow and then select a description from the list. If options are then modified manually, any selection from the list will be cleared since the options may no longer match the presets.

The Performance Presets are:

- High performance PC w/ Desktop \geq 1280x1024
- High performance PC w/ Desktop $<$ 1280x1024
- Medium performance PC w/ Desktop \geq 1024x768
- Medium performance PC w/ Desktop $<$ 1024x768
- Low performance PC w/ Desktop \geq 800x600

- Low performance PC w/ Desktop < 800x600

The performance presets are based on subjective descriptions of PC speed and desktop size. If you are familiar with the speed and capabilities of your PC as it relates to other systems available on the market then you will have some idea whether your system is high, medium or low performance. If not, simply look at the desktop size listed and make a first try based on your desktop resolution.

For example, if your PC is a 500 megahertz Celeron processor running a desktop size of 800x600, then you would first choose "Medium performance PC w/ Desktop < 1024x768". If the same PC was running a desktop size of 1280x960, then you would first choose "Medium performance PC w/ Desktop >= 1024x768".

After running the screen saver at that setting, if you still feel that it is running too slowly, then come back and select one of the low performance PC settings and try it again. There are many variables in PC hardware that affect animation speed and smoothness. Ultimately you can play with all the manual options until you find the performance setting that feels right to you.

Using Performance Options

Display Smoothing

Setup Screen Label: "Display Smoothing"

The display smoothing radio buttons allow you to select a mode of display smoothing between "Normal" and "Max". The options control how much smoothing, or anti-aliasing, of sharp edges and text takes place before the frame is displayed and highly affects animation speed.

This screen saver works much like a movie, except that each frame of the animation is created on-the-fly by your PC. Each frame of the animation is first calculated, and then smoothed before placing it on the screen. If you have a *VERY* fast PC, such as a 1.2 Gigahertz Pentium 3 or 4 processor or faster, then you may want to set this to "Max" to get the best display quality. Otherwise, leave it at "Normal". As a temporary setting, you may want to set this to "Max" before doing a series of wallpaper captures, and then set it back again afterward. That would give you the clearest possible wallpaper image.

Try all the performance options in different combinations to see which settings work best on your PC.

If you have previously selected a preset from the list, and this value is manually changed, then the preset list will go blank since you have customized the settings to something outside the preset values.

Display Size

Setup Screen Label: "Display Size"

The animation speed for this screen saver is most directly affected by the size of the

desktop display. This setting controls the amount of screen (desktop) area used and thus determines the amount of PC overhead for each frame of the animation. The choices are "Maximum" and "Reduced". The "Maximum" choice means that the program will use all available screen space, depending on the setting for the Sizing Mode. The "Reduced" choice means that the program will scale the display to 75% of the available screen space. In this case the Sizing Mode will be ignored. See the Display Smoothing topic for other related considerations.

If you have a slower PC, such as a 500 Megahertz processor or slower, then you may want to set this to "Reduced".

Try all the performance options in different combinations to see which settings work best on your PC.

If you have previously selected a preset from the list, and this value is manually changed, then the preset list will go blank since you have customized the settings to something outside the preset values.

Display Sizing Mode

Setup Screen Label: "Sizing Mode"

The animation speed for this screen saver is most directly affected by the size of the desktop display. The choices for this option are; "Normal" and "Stretch". See the Display Smoothing and Display Size topics for other related considerations.

This option controls the *shape* of screen (desktop) area used and thus also determines the amount of PC overhead for each frame of the animation. The "Normal" choice means that the display will maintain its original shape, or aspect ratio, in the largest size possible that will fit your monitor. The "Stretch" choice means that on some monitors, such as widescreen or tallscreen monitors, the display will be stretched to fill all available space regardless of the shape of the monitor. This option is dependent upon the setting for Display size and is only relevant if Display Size is set to "Maximum".

For example, on a widescreen monitor if you choose "Normal" there will be a black area to the left and right of the kaleidoscope. On that same widescreen monitor, if you choose "Stretch" then the entire screen will be filled, but the kaleidoscope will be distorted into an oval.

Try all the performance options in different combinations to see which settings work best on your PC.

This option does not affect any of the presets nor do any of the presets change this option.

Secondary Patterns

Setup Screen Label: "Show secondary patterns"

Each kaleidoscope contains two levels of pattern animation. The two levels animating at different rates and frequencies creates a randomizing effect so that the combined pattern does not repeat on a timeframe that would be noticeable. This option allows you to disable the secondary patterns and reduce animation calculation overhead on your PC. If your PC has a slower processor, such as a 500 Megahertz processor or slower, you may want to

uncheck this box to disable secondary patterns.

Try all the performance options in different combinations to see which settings work best on your PC.

If you have previously selected a preset from the list, and this value is manually changed, then the preset list will go blank since you have customized the settings to something outside the preset values.

Kaleidoscope Scale

Setup Screen Label: "Scale scopes to"

This option allows you to scale the overall size of the kaleidoscope as a percentage of the normal size. You may choose any size from 10% to 200%. At 10% the kaleidoscope will appear like a small planet in space. At 200% the kaleidoscope will cover the entire screen from corner to corner. Any scale below 100% requires that the background display must be disabled.

This option can be used as an alternative to the "Reduced" display size. If you select 70% then the animation overhead savings is about the same as the "Reduced" display option, but the space scene will still fill the entire screen.

Try all the performance options in different combinations to see which settings work best on your PC.

This option does not affect any of the presets nor do any of the presets change this option.

Metaphysical Options

Metaphysical Overview



The Metaphysical Options setup screen allows you to add a whole new dimension to the kaleidoscope experience. These options were prompted by the fact that many people find the kaleidoscopes useful for meditation and concentration. As an addition to this philosophy we have added two animation features; the core light and the beings of light. These options are disabled by default so that outwardly upon first examination the point or focus of the screen saver is *only* kaleidoscopes. But, as is often

the case with those of us with an interest in the metaphysical, we tend to find what we need. "Seek and ye shall find", so to speak.

The Core Light



promotion.

The core light represents the bright light of creation, from which all things manifest. Most of the kaleidoscope patterns appear to emanate from the center point of the scopes. When the core light is enabled it appears as though the entire kaleidoscope pattern system is being created by the light to spread outward. This is most prevalent in the mandala style kaleidoscopes, which in turn prompted the addition of the Kaleidoscope Selector feature called "Limit to Mandalas". Enabling the core light also provides an obvious central point of focus for concentration and alpha state

The Light Beings



light beings that surround us, but again, if you are reading this then you probably already know something about all of that.

The light beings represent life in its purest form ... energy. There are seven different light beings, each designed in correspondence to the seven main chakra points on the human body. The light beings can be configured to enter our world (symbolically speaking) or they can return to the light of creation. The two directions determine whether they appear to come out of the light and move toward and past you, or whether they come from behind you and move into the light. It is beyond the scope of this software to go into the intricacies of chakras, energy meridians, and the

The metaphysical features add another layer to the animation, so you may have to adjust the performance options to compensate for the additional PC overhead. The options can be chosen either using the Preset Options list box or by selecting individual options manually.

Using Metaphysical Presets

Setup Screen Label: "Select a preset option >"

Each setup screen contains a list of preset options. The list can be used to select a pre-defined group of settings that correspond to the descriptions in the list. This is a quick and easy way to set the options for the level of additional metaphysical animations. Click the down-arrow and then select a description from the list. If options are then modified manually, any selection from the list will be cleared since the options may no longer match the presets.

The Metaphysical Presets are:

- The whole experience
- Light of creation and Beings, no introduction
- Light of creation only
- No Metaphysics

The metaphysical presets simply describe the level of additional animations to be added to

the kaleidoscopes. The choices are pretty self-explanatory. Your choice will depend as much on your predispositions about all things metaphysical as it will on the esthetics and performance of the animation. It should be noted that these additional layers of animation add significant overhead to the PC processing of the animation frames. You may want to modify the options until you find the right fit for your PC's power level.

Using Metaphysical Options

The Core Light

Setup Screen Label: "Show the core light of creation"



Enabling this option opens a whole new world. When enabled, each kaleidoscope will be centered with a bright white light that represents the universal creative energy. This is a great option if you are going to meditate by watching the center of a kaleidoscope since the light gives you a precise focal point. The entire scope then seems to radiate from the light.

This option must be enabled before all the other options in this section will be relevant or enabled for changes. The metaphysical features add another layer to the animation, so you may have to adjust the performance options to compensate for the addition PC overhead.

The Light Beings

Setup Screen Label: "Show the seven beings of light"



Enabling this option expresses your willingness to allow the seven beings of light to manifest. When enabled, individual light beings will either enter our virtual world through the creative light at the core of the kaleidoscopes, or they will return to the light.

All of the options under and to the right of this checkbox determine the behavior of the light beings. This option must be enabled before those options will be relevant or enabled for changes. The metaphysical features add another layer to the animation, so you may have to adjust the performance options to compensate for the addition PC overhead.

Light Being Introduction

Setup Screen Label: "Show the introduction to the beings of light"



Enable this option to allow the light beings to introduce themselves each time the program starts or returns from the setup screen. The introduction consists of all seven beings animating onto the screen and showing the relationship between their appearance and the seven main chakra points. They then combine into a single energy and travel to the nearby planet to spread their energy.

Only the Being Style setting affects the introduction animation. If you have a slower PC you may want to try

the "Simple" setting to reduce animation overhead.

Light Being Direction

Setup Screen Label: "Beings will"

This option determines whether the light beings will be allowed to enter our virtual world, or whether they will return to the creative light.

If the choice is "Enter", then they will emerge from the core light and move toward and past you while the kaleidoscope plays. If the choice is "Return", then they will come from behind you and move down the tunnel to disappear into the light. There are 56 different light being animation sequences that will play one at a time during kaleidoscope animation.

This option directly affects only the kaleidoscope animations. There is no PC overhead difference between the "Enter" and "Return" choices.

Light Being Style

Setup Screen Label: "Beings are"

This option determines how much of the light being's detail can be seen. This also has a direct effect on the computer power necessary to manifest the beings.

If the choice is "Complex", then you will see the full glory of the light beings including their symmetry and energy patterns. If the choice is "Simple", then you will see only their aura colors and the center of their energy. If you have a slower PC, you may want to try the "Simple" option.

Wallpaper Options

Wallpaper Overview



Kaleid-O-Space has the ability to capture images and save them as desktop wallpapers. Wallpapers can be saved from any point including the introduction and all kaleidoscopes. Kaleid-O-Space allocates 19 file names to use as a wallpaper pool. The file names are used to store wallpapers for the introduction and all 18 kaleidoscopes. Wallpapers are captured and saved using the capture button on the program screen. Each time the button is pressed, the screen freezes for a few seconds and then the screen is saved using the appropriate

file name and immediately set as the current desktop wallpaper. When automatic wallpaper changes are enabled, the pool of file names is searched for existing saved images. If any exist they are used either sequentially or randomly and assigned as the current desktop wallpaper. You can also set the wallpaper manually from the Kaleidoscope Selector.

During unregistered mode whenever the wallpaper capture button is visible there will also be a large banner across the middle of the kaleidoscope. The banner will be captured in the wallpaper along with the title and Buy Now links that were already present. The banner will not be present once the program becomes registered.

Using Wallpaper Presets

Setup Screen Label: "Select a preset option >"

Each setup screen contains a list of preset options. The list can be used to select a pre-defined group of settings that correspond to the descriptions in the list. This is a quick and easy way to set the options for the wallpaper functionality. Click the down-arrow and then select a description from the list. If options are then modified manually, any selection from the list will be cleared since the options may no longer match the presets.

The Wallpaper Presets are:

- Manual Wallpaper Selection
- Automatic Sequential Wallpaper Selection
- Automatic Random Wallpaper Selection

The wallpaper presets are self-explanatory.

Using Wallpaper Options

Automatic Wallpaper Changes

Setup Screen Label: "Change wallpapers automatically"

Enabling this option causes your wallpaper to be changed automatically when the screen saver starts. The collection of saved wallpapers will be used for the automatic changes. Wallpapers must have been previously saved from the running screen saver before this option will have any effect. The remaining options in this section determine how often it will be changed and from what group of wallpapers, and additionally how it will be displayed.

This option must be enabled before the other options in this section will be available or relevant.

You may choose saved wallpapers manually from the Kaleidoscope Selector screens by clicking the "W" button on the desired scope. Manual changes also require that the wallpaper must have been previously captured.

To capture and save wallpapers, you must be running in interactive mode. See the Basic Options for that setting.

Change Frequency

Setup Screen Label: "Limit automatic changes to once per day"

Enabling this option limits wallpaper changes to once per calendar day. The first time the screen saver starts on a given day, the wallpaper will be changed and then all other screen saver starts on that day will skip any changes. Disabling this option causes the wallpaper to be changed each time the screen saver starts.

Change Order

Setup Screen Label: "Change order"

This option determines the order in which the wallpapers will be set on the desktop. Choosing "Sequential" sets the changes to rotate through saved scopes starting with an introduction wallpaper and continuing through the scopes from 1 to the last scope. Choosing "Random" selects any saved wallpaper using a randomizing routine.

It should be noted that random changes do *not* ensure that all wallpapers have been used once before using them again. Random changes may use the same wallpaper more than once before selecting a new one, and some wallpapers may not be chosen at all.

Wallpaper Sizing Mode

Setup Screen Label: "Wallpaper Mode"

This option determines the display mode for the wallpaper. "Tile" means that if the wallpaper is smaller than the desktop, the wallpaper will be repeated to fill the desktop. This is only relevant if you save a wallpaper at a small resolution and then change your desktop to a larger size later. It may also be relevant if you are running the screen saver in "Reduced" screen size. "Center" means that the wallpaper will not be altered when displayed. It will simply be placed in the center of the desktop regardless of the desktop size. "Stretch" means that if the wallpaper is smaller than the desktop it will be resized up to fit the desktop. Conversely, if the wallpaper is larger than the desktop it will be resized down to fit the desktop. Stretch is only relevant if you save wallpapers at one size and then later change the desktop to a different size.

Using Enabled Scopes

Setup Screen Label: "Use only selector enabled scopes"

This option determines whether automatic wallpaper changes will draw from the entire collection of saved wallpapers. If this is enabled, the wallpapers will only be selected if the corresponding kaleidoscope is enabled for screen saver display in the Kaleidoscope Selector. If this is disabled, wallpapers will be chosen from all saved wallpapers.

The Kaleidoscope Selector

Kaleidoscope Selector Overview



The Kaleidoscope Selector buttons allow you to determine which kaleidoscopes will be enabled for operation, and which kaleidoscope will start the cycle the next time the screen saver runs. Additionally, you can manually change the desktop to any saved wallpaper or view a zoomed image of any kaleidoscope.

The Kaleidoscope Selector is slightly different from the setup screens in that some actions are taken immediately rather than being implemented only when the "OK" button on the setup screen is pressed.

The immediate functions are the kaleidoscope image zooms and the wallpaper change buttons. The zoom buttons will show the kaleidoscope as soon as the button is pressed and

it affects no other program functions. The wallpaper buttons set the wallpaper on the desktop as soon as they are pressed, although you will not see the change until the screen saver exits.

Use the navigation buttons (shown as arrows) to move through the pages of kaleidoscopes. Click the "Return" button to go back to the setup screen. As stated above, all but the wallpaper changes are not implemented until you click "OK" on the setup screen.

Selecting the Next Kaleidoscope



Each Kaleidoscope Selector screen is covered with nine large buttons that show a small image of one of the kaleidoscope designs. One of those buttons on one Kaleidoscope Selector screen will be surrounded by a highlight that indicates which design will be next to display. To change the order and display the design you desire next, click the kaleidoscope button and that button will be highlighted. Once you return from the selector to the setup screen and click "OK" your selection will be shown when the screen saver runs again.

Viewing a Zoomed Kaleidoscope Image



Each kaleidoscope button has a zoom button in its upper right corner. The button has a picture of a magnifying glass on its face. Clicking this button will immediately open a pop-up window with a larger view of the kaleidoscope. This is strictly a convenience function to allow you a better look at the kaleidoscope design.

Enabling and Disabling Specific Kaleidoscopes



Each kaleidoscope button has a checkbox in its lower left corner. The checkbox determines whether the corresponding kaleidoscope will display in the sequence of the screen saver. Uncheck any checkbox to disable the kaleidoscope. Recheck any checkbox to re-enable the kaleidoscope. You may uncheck as many as you like provided that at least one kaleidoscope is enabled. At the bottom of the Kaleidoscope Selector screen is an "Enable All" button. Use that button to enable all kaleidoscopes in one click. To the left of the "Enable All" button is a button labeled "Limit to Mandalas". This button is used in conjunction with the Metaphysical Options. Click the button to disable all kaleidoscope designs that are not mandala style designs.

Changing Wallpapers Manually



Each kaleidoscope button has a wallpaper button in its lower right corner. The button has a "W" on its face. Clicking this button will immediately change the desktop wallpaper to the wallpaper that was last saved in association with the kaleidoscope. If no wallpaper has been saved an alert box will notify you that no wallpaper file was found. See the topic on the Wallpaper Capture Button for information on saving wallpapers. There is an additional button labeled "Intro W" that is used to select the saved wallpaper, if any, that is associated with the introduction sequence.

The Program Screen

Program Screen Overview



The program screen has several interactive features available. If you move the mouse pointer around the screen you will see the pointer turn to a pointing hand in some places. That change indicates the presence of an invisible button. During unregistered mode the most obvious buttons or links are the Kaleid-O-Space title and the Buy Now link. In all modes there are button bars at the top and bottom of the screen that will remain hidden until you move the mouse into that area. Once the mouse pointer enters their "zone" they will

suddenly appear.

The top bar contains one long button at the upper right. The button face has the program title and copyright line in small text. That is the button that is used to capture and save wallpapers from the screen. The bottom bar contains several buttons that change depending on where you are in the program; introduction or normal play. See the section on "Self-Hiding Interactive Buttons" for details.

To be able use any of the program screen features, you must be running in interactive mode. See the Basic Options for that setting.

Unregistered Mode Links

The Kaleid-O-Space Title



The Kaleid-O-Space title link appears in the upper left of the screen during the seven day

trial/unregistered period. Once the program has been purchased and the registration code has been successfully entered, the link will no longer be visible.

During trial mode you may click the title link to open a browser window and access the main page on the Kaleid-O-Space web site. As soon as the browser window opens the screen saver will exit.

The Buy Now Link



The Buy Now link appears in the upper left of the screen during the seven day trial/unregistered period. Once the program has been purchased and the registration code has been successfully entered, the link will no longer be visible.

During trial mode you may click the Buy Now link to open a browser window and access the purchase page on the Kaleid-O-Space web site. As soon as the browser window opens the screen saver will exit.

Self-Hiding Interactive Buttons

Wallpaper Capture Button

Capture a wallpaper at any time during the screen saver display by moving the mouse pointer to the top right of the screen. When the title and copyright line is visible, click once when you see an image you want to save. The screen will freeze for a second and then your system will sound a tone to indicate that the capture is complete. The screen saver will automatically continue the animated display after the capture. Do this once for each kaleidoscope you wish to see as a wallpaper. You may also capture the light being introduction animation if you wish. Capturing a wallpaper also manually sets the new wallpaper on your desktop at the same time.

You may notice that when you mouse over the capture button the animation will slow down. This because the button temporarily changes the display parameter for "Display smoothing" to the "Max" value. That allows you to capture the best possible image. It also makes it easier to capture the exact frame you want. When you move the mouse off of the button the display setting will return to normal. If you had already selected Max for display smoothing, then you will not see any difference since the value will be left alone.

Wallpaper Usage Limits

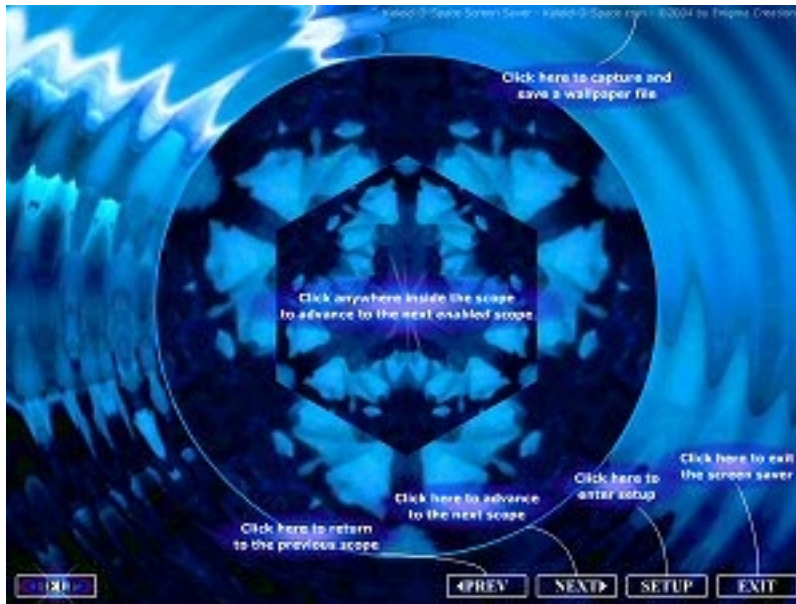
As a licensed user of Kaleid-O-Space you may capture and use on your own PC as many wallpapers as you like. However, you may not distribute wallpapers to any other parties or submit them to web sites for posting without written permission from Enigma Creations.

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Kaleidoscope Advance Button

All of the kaleidoscopes have an invisible button that becomes active when the kaleidoscope begins to animate. The button covers the entire surface of the scope. Click the scope to cause it to immediately advance to the next *enabled* kaleidoscope. The scope will perform the usual transitions according to the options selected in Setup.

Help Button



The Help button provides a means to display on-screen help notes for all the program screen buttons. It is not necessary to click the Help button. All you have to do is move the mouse pointer over the Help button and the notes will appear. Move the mouse pointer away from the Help button and they will disappear.

Skip Button

The Skip button only appears during the introduction of the light beings, or during the first opening phase of the screen saver when the title is visible. Click the button to jump past the introduction directly to the kaleidoscopes.

Prev Button

The Prev (Previous) button jumps the kaleidoscope to the scope immediately prior to the currently animating scope. The Prev button does *not* bypass the disabled scopes and will jump sequentially through all the scopes in the screen saver. In addition, it will bypass the "zoom out" portion of the transition effects.

Next Button

The Next button jumps the kaleidoscope to the scope immediately after the currently animating scope. The Next button does *not* bypass the disabled scopes and will jump sequentially through all the scopes in the screen saver. In addition, it will bypass the "zoom out" portion of the transition effects.

Setup Button

The Setup button provides access to the setup screen from inside the screen saver. The screen saver will be stopped and unloaded before the setup screen opens. After returning from the setup screen, the screen saver will reload and start from the beginning. Any changed setup options will be adopted when the screen saver reloads. All of this takes place without completely exiting the screen saver program.

Exit Button

The Exit button is the only visible means of exiting the program. Click the button to immediately terminate the program without additional operations. You may also press any key to exit the program.

The Metaphysics of Kaleid-O-Space

Meditation and the Alpha State



Meditation and the Alpha brain wave state are two very large topics. There are countless contemporary books on the subjects, not to mention the ancient records and knowledge. We will not attempt to go into a detailed discussion here. We assume that if you are looking at this software or this text you already have some familiarity with or interest in the subjects.

What we *will* do is talk about how they relate to Kaleid-O-Space, or how Kaleid-O-Space relates to them.

Generally speaking, the purpose of meditation is to clear and relax the mind, to still the noise from day to day concerns, and to find your place of inner peace. Kaleid-O-Space relates to that pursuit in that during the time you spend interacting with the kaleidoscopes and concentrating on their motion and convolutions, you may notice that outside concerns seem to drift away. You may even feel that your perception of the passage of time becomes "altered". You may feel a sense of relaxation and detachment from your surroundings. All of these things are part of the meditative experience, whether you have actively sought them out, or whether you let them happen by chance.

The "Alpha State" is a fundamental part of the meditative experience. It is that energetic state of mind where you daydream and drift through peaceful inner climates. It is a source of insight and knowledge that is unavailable in your normal waking state. It has been said by some who use Kaleid-O-Space that simply watching the kaleidoscopes unfold in such vivid detail produces a deep alpha state with little or no effort. Indeed this has been my own experience while watching the screen.

Using Kaleid-O-Space for Meditation

Any mode of use of Kaleid-O-Space that pleases you will produce desired results when coupled with deliberate relaxation. However, allow us to make the following suggestions:

Sit comfortably in a chair directly in front of your screen in such a way that you do not have to strain your neck or shoulder muscles. You should be at least arms length away from the screen. You should be able to place your hands and arms loosely on your lap. The screen should be at or slightly below eye level. Go to the Basic options setup screen and select the preset that says, "Meditation (Choose scopes manually)". Now use the Prev and Next buttons on screen to select your favorite kaleidoscope design. The mandala style scopes work the best. These are the ones that are round and concentric in pattern where the pattern radiates from the center. This works with or without the core light and light beings,

but I find the core light helpful. In the preset meditation mode the scope will stay on screen for 999 minutes at a time. In other words, it won't change unexpectedly until you change it. You may also want to play some of your favorite "quiet" relaxing music. Some type of "New Age" music designed for meditation is ideal. Music helps to heighten the experience. Now when you are ready ... take some slow deep breaths and concentrate on the center of the kaleidoscope. You may feel a sort of "pull" as if you are falling into the kaleidoscope. That's okay ... just relax ... breath slowly ... and let your mind take you on a voyage of discovery.

If you have any unique experiences while doing this we would love to hear about it if you care to share it. We will keep any correspondence in confidence unless you tell us you would like to give us a quote we can publish about your experience.

Enjoy.

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That being said, we feel somewhat soiled, but we bow to the necessity. The above statement is also presented in the Disclaimer and License that must be affirmed prior to installing Kaleid-O-Space. Therefore, ignorance is *NOT* bliss.

The Core Light



The core light is intended to give you a focal point for concentration, contemplation, and meditation. It represents the light of creation, the well spring from which all things radiate into being, the pure energy state, and much more. It rotates and undulates like a living thing at the heart of the image. Just like the light beings, the interpretation and value is up to you.

See the Metaphysical Options topic for information on enabling the core light.

The Light Beings



The seven light beings can represent many things from manifestations of our higher selves, to spirit guides, to lifeforms from an alternate dimension, or any of a thousand other things. We present them here with varying physical characteristics. In color they range from red through the spectrum to high violet-white. In shape they start with single symmetry and range up to seven-fold symmetry. Both the color and symmetry symbolically corresponds to the seven main human chakra points. When you choose the "Complex" option from setup, they are animated within themselves to denote the life within. In "Simple" style they are simply light in motion. Ultimately the interpretation for what you are seeing is up to you. Choose the light being options that resonate with you and your belief systems for maximum enjoyment.

See the Metaphysical Options topic for information on adjusting the light being's behavior.

Program Support and History

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- Added metaphysical animations.
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- Added convenient presets for each option group.
- Added Windows-based help files.
- Added "mouse over" help to the main screen.
- Added the ability to stretch the display to fit widescreen monitors.
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