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Subject: Re: Mac 32 bit color depth?

Posted by [William Daffer](#) on Sat, 24 Mar 2001 01:55:48 GMT

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"Joseph B. Gurman" <gurman@ari.net> writes:

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> In article <thierry-2203011142210001@dualpants.dev.rsinc.com>,
> thierry@NOSPAM.rsinc.com (Thierry Faucounau) wrote:
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> [snip]
>>
>> I am not averse to returning the "usable" (from an IDL standpoint) visual
>> depth from get_visual_depth which would be 24 (essentially ignoring the
>> fact that on the Mac, all "true color" buffers are in fact 32bits) for
>> the sake of portability.
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>> --
>> Thierry Faucounau
>> Research Systems, Inc.
>
> [snip]
>
> Thierry, that sounds very reasonable --- but it would be great to be
> able to access the transparency channel: I would love to be able to
> create movies (e.g. with XINTERANIMATE) in IDL that include transparency
> effects.
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> Any chance?
>
> Thanks,
>
> Joe Gurman
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And wouldn't it make the creation of .png files a little easier?  
Don't they support a native RGBA?

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Outside of a dog, a book is man's best friend  
Inside of a dog it's too dark to read  
-- Groucho Marx

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