

# Screamserver Library Reference

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# Introduction

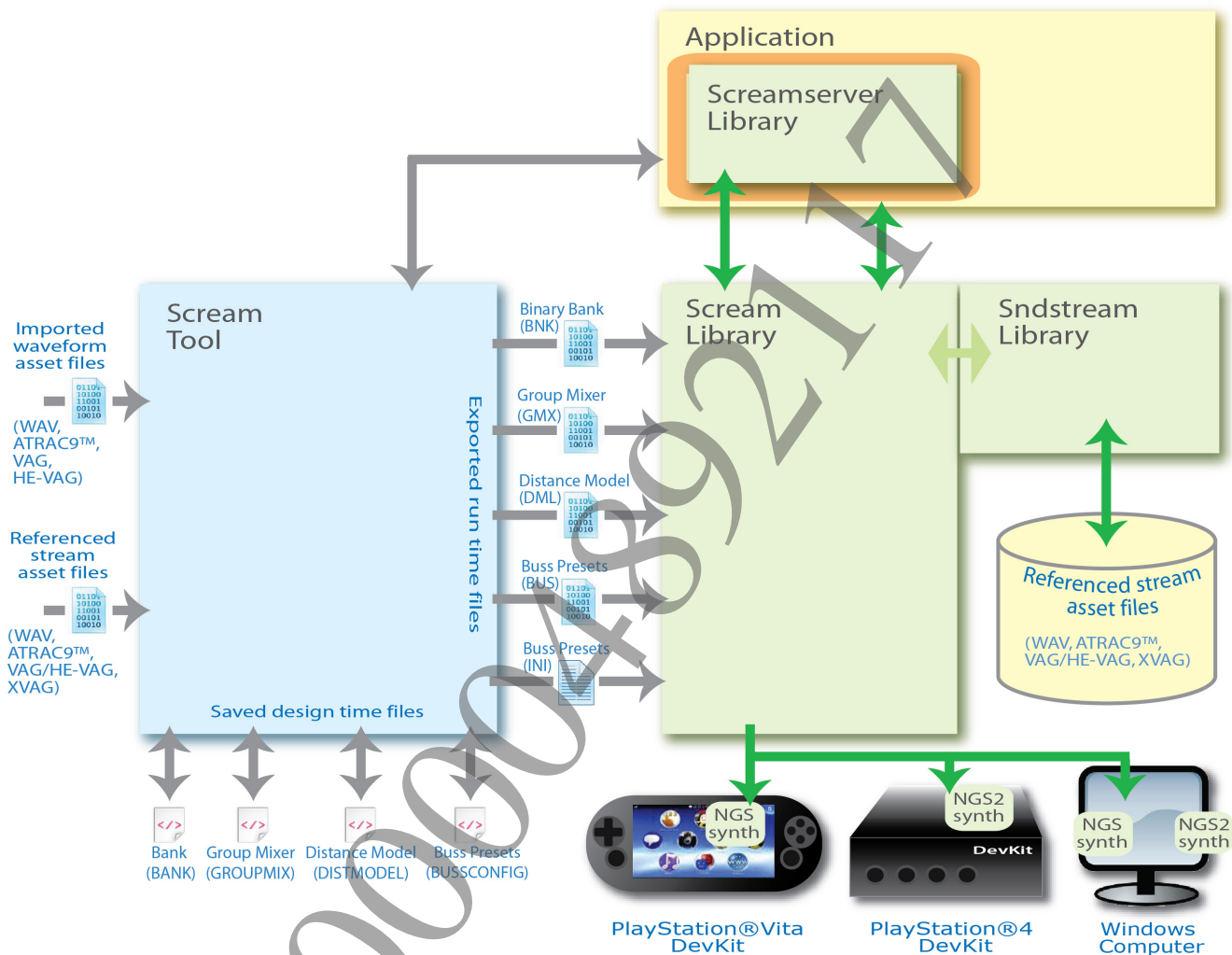
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# Introduction

By creating a special test build of a game that includes the Screams server library, audio designers are enabled to perform in-game editing while live-connected to the game from Scream Tool. This allows audio designers to interactively adjust Sound properties, test Sound scripts with gameplay, and mix game audio elements. See “In-Game Editing” in the *Scream Tool Help* for further details.

Figure 1 depicts topology of the Scream audio system, with Screams server outlined in orange.

**Figure 1 Scream Audio System Topology**



Screams server communicates with Scream Tool over a socket connection. When a Bank is loaded in a game, Screams server sends the Bank's signature to Scream Tool, which includes the Bank ID and the details of all Grains included in the Bank. Scream Tool then uses the signature to match the binary Bank that is loaded in the game to a Bank that is open in the Scream Tool. Changes made to the Bank in Scream Tool are then sent to the Screams server, which updates the game's binary Bank data.

**Note:** Although Screams server is economical with system resources, including it in test or release builds is not recommended. You can use `#ifdef` constructs to include these function calls only in special builds to be delivered to audio designers.

# Functions

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## Summary

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The functions allow initialize, query, load and unload binary Banks, and stop Screamsrver.

Function	Description
<a href="#"><u>sceScreamInitScreamServerLib</u></a>	Initializes Screamsrver in a game.
<a href="#"><u>sceScreamShutdownScreamServerLib</u></a>	Shuts down Screamsrver in a game.
<a href="#"><u>sceScreamIsServerConnected</u></a>	Determines whether Screamsrver is connected to Scream Tool.
<a href="#"><u>sceScreamGetServerIPAddressString</u></a>	Retrieves the IP address being used by Screamsrver.
<a href="#"><u>sceScreamBankLoaded</u></a>	Synchronizes Scream Tool with Screamsrver following a binary Bank load operation.
<a href="#"><u>sceScreamBankUnloaded</u></a>	Synchronizes Scream Tool and Screamsrver following a binary Bank unload operation.

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## sceScreamInitScreamServerLib

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Initializes Screamserver in a game.

### Definition

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```
int32_t sceScreamInitScreamServerLib();
```

### Arguments

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None

### Return Values

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Returns [SCE\\_SCREAM\\_SCREAMSERVER\\_ERROR\\_OK](#) if Screamserver was successfully initialized. Otherwise, returns [SCE\\_SCREAM\\_SCREAMSERVER\\_ERROR\\_INIT\\_FAILURE](#).

### Description

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This function initializes Screamserver in a running instance of a game. Call this function when your game initializes, after you have initialized the Scream runtime with call to `sceScreamStartSoundSystemEx2()`.

### See Also

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[sceScreamShutdownScreamServerLib\(\)](#)

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## sceScreamShutdownScreamServerLib

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Shuts down Screamserver in a game.

### Definition

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```
int32_t sceScreamShutdownScreamServerLib();
```

### Arguments

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None

### Return Values

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Returns [SCE\\_SCREAM\\_SCREAMSERVER\\_ERROR\\_OK](#) if the server was in an initialized state, otherwise returns [SCE\\_SCREAM\\_SCREAMSERVER\\_ERROR\\_NOT\\_INITIALIZED](#).

### Description

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This function shuts down Screamserver in a running instance of a game. Call this function when your game terminates to clean up resources after a call to `sceScreamStopSoundSystem()`.

### See Also

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[sceScreamInitScreamServerLib\(\)](#)



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## sceScreamIsServerConnected

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Determines whether Screamserver is connected to Scream Tool.

### Definition

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```
bool sceScreamIsServerConnected();
```

### Arguments

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None

### Return Values

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Returns TRUE if Screamserver is connected to Scream Tool; returns FALSE if not.

### Description

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This function determines whether Screamserver is connected to Scream Tool.

### See Also

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[sceScreamGetServerIPAddressString\(\)](#)

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## sceScreamGetServerIPAddressString

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Retrieves the IP address being used by Screamserver.

### Definition

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```
const char *sceScreamGetServerIPAddressString();
```

### Arguments

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None

### Return Values

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Returns the Screamserver IP address.

### Description

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This function retrieves the IP address being used by Screamserver. Scream Tool requires the IP address used by Screamserver to make a connection.

### See Also

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[sceScreamIsServerConnected\(\)](#)

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## sceScreamBankLoaded

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Synchronizes Scream Tool with Screamserver following a binary Bank load operation.

### Definition

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```
int32_t sceScreamBankLoaded(  
    SceScreamSFXBlock2 *bank  
) ;
```

### Arguments

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*bank* Handle of the Bank that was loaded; as returned by the Scream  
`sceScreamBankLoadEx()` or `sceScreamBankLoadFromMemEx()` functions.

### Return Values

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Value	Description
<a href="#">SCE_SCREAM_SCREAMSERVER_ERROR_OK</a>	Operation was successful.
<a href="#">SCE_SCREAM_SCREAMSERVER_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED</a>	Server not initialized.
<a href="#">SCE_SCREAM_SCREAMSERVER_ERROR_INVALID_BANK</a>	Invalid Bank pointer.

### Description

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This function synchronizes Scream Tool with Screamserver following a binary Bank load operation. Call this function immediately after a binary Bank is loaded by your game (that is, after a call to `sceScreamBankLoadEx()` or `sceScreamBankLoadFromMemEx()`).

### See Also

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[sceScreamBankUnloaded\(\)](#)

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# sceScreamBankUnloaded

Synchronizes Scream Tool and Screamserver following a binary Bank unload operation.

## Definition

```
int32_t sceScreamBankUnloaded(
    SceScreamSFXBlock2 *bank
);
```

## Arguments

*bank* Handle of the Bank that was unloaded; as returned by the Scream `sceScreamBankLoadEx()` or `sceScreamBankLoadFromMemEx()` functions.

## Return Values

Value	Description
<a href="#">SCE SCREAM SCREAMSERVER ERROR OK</a>	Operation was successful.
<a href="#">SCE SCREAM SCREAMSERVER ERROR NOT INITIALIZED</a>	Server not initialized.
<a href="#">SCE SCREAM SCREAMSERVER ERROR INVALID BANK</a>	Invalid Bank pointer.

## Description

This function synchronizes Scream Tool and Screamserver following a binary Bank unload operation. Call this function immediately before a binary Bank is unloaded by your game (that is, before a call to `sceScreamUnloadBank()`).

## See Also

[sceScreamBankLoaded\(\)](#)

## Error Codes

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## Error Code Macros

Macros used to create Scream error codes.

Define	Value	Description
SCE_ERROR_ERROR_FLAG	0x80000000	SDK base error code identifier.
SCE_ERROR_MAKE_ERROR	(SCE_ERROR_ERROR_FLAG   ((_fac)<<16)   (_sts))	Macro to create an error code.
SCE_ERROR_FACILITY_SCREAM	0x100	Scream facility code identifier.
SCE_SCREAM_MAKE_ERROR	SCE_ERROR_MAKE_ERROR (SCE_ERROR_FACILITY_SCREAM, (_rc))	Helper macro to create Scream-specific error code values. The SCE_SCREAM_MAKE_ERROR macro bit-combines SCE_ERROR_ERROR_FLAG and SCE_ERROR_FACILITY_SCREAM with a Scream-specific error value. For example, SCE_SCREAM_MAKE_ERROR(0x101) evaluates to 0x81000101.

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## Error Codes

General error codes.

Define	Value	Description
SCE_SCREAM_SCREAMSERVER_ERROR_OK	(0)	No error occurred.
SCE_SCREAM_SCREAMSERVER_ERROR_INIT_FAILURE	SCE_SCREAM_MAKE_ERROR(0x501)	Server failed to initialize.
SCE_SCREAM_SCREAMSERVER_ERROR_INVALID_BANK	SCE_SCREAM_MAKE_ERROR(0x502)	Invalid Bank pointer error.
SCE_SCREAM_SCREAMSERVER_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	SCE_SCREAM_MAKE_ERROR(0x503)	Operation requested before server initialization.