

Iron Coder V. Submission from Daniel Jalkut. © 2007 Red Sweater Software.

Viva brings new life to your screensavers. No longer are they trapped in a 1-up world, appearing only when you're nowhere to be found.

Viva gives you the flexibility to show up to 36 screensavers at a time (if you're sad little Mac can take it), either in the usual place, or as a backdrop to your desktop while you work.

USE OF THEME: LIFE. Viva grants new LIFE to screensavers.

USE OF TECH: Viva (ab)uses the ScreenSaver.framework, acting as a custom host to the screensavers. This feat is pulled off by linking directly to some private classes in the framework, and by a good deal of hacking and experimentation to find the right magic.

ON THE EXCEEDING OF EXPECTATIONS: Viva is one of the few submissions to use ScreenSaver framework outside the scope of a ".saver" bundle. Viva provides two working products, an application and a screensaver, each of which interoperates with the other.

ON SASS: Viva includes a sound recording of a performance by the author of "I'm about to whip somebody's ass." Words and melody by Ray from St. Louis. http://www.zefrank.com/theshow/whipass/.