

iCal alarms are automatically processed by the OS whether the iCal app is running or not (although the MSBells user must be logged in as the events are in the MSBells calendar).

Times were entered on Mondays and set with a custom repetition period of every M-T-Th-F. Wednesday times diverge and so were entered on their own with a weekly recurrence. Each event has an alarm action which triggers the sound. There are two different chimes, and for clarity the events for each are separated into different calendars.

The alarm is set to open an AppleScript applet that plays the

actual sound file. Note that the sound files, compiled script, and the Play Sound.app must all be present in the right folder. In this example the correct path would be /chimes/

tell application "Finder"
activate
open document file "chimes1.aif" of folder
"chimes" of startup disk
using application file "Play
Sound.app" of folder
"chimes" of startup disk
end tell

The chimes1.aif (and chimes2.aif) could be replaced with different sounds. As long as the path and filename remain, the script should not need to be recompiled.

