



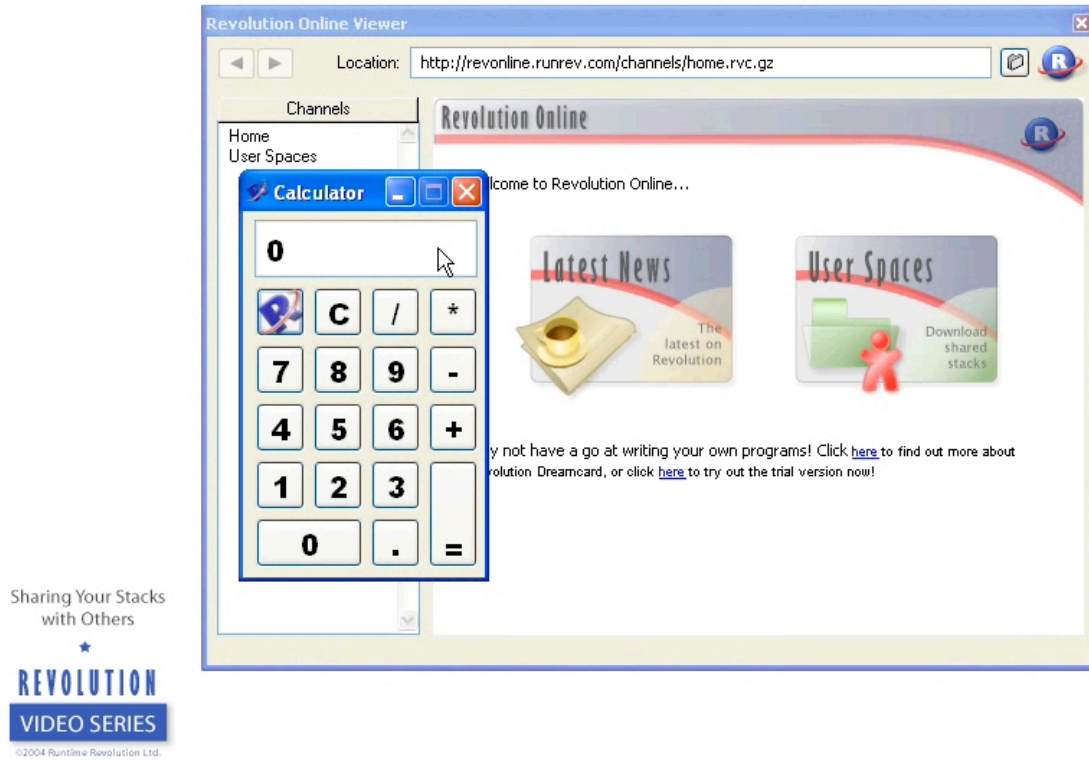
Sharing your applications online

Revolution allows you to share applications you create with anyone running on any platform. This tutorial discusses using and distributing stacks with the Revolution Player. It also discusses how to share stacks using the My Space feature in Revolution Online. A 10MB storage facility is provided free to all customers.

Key topics covered in this tutorial

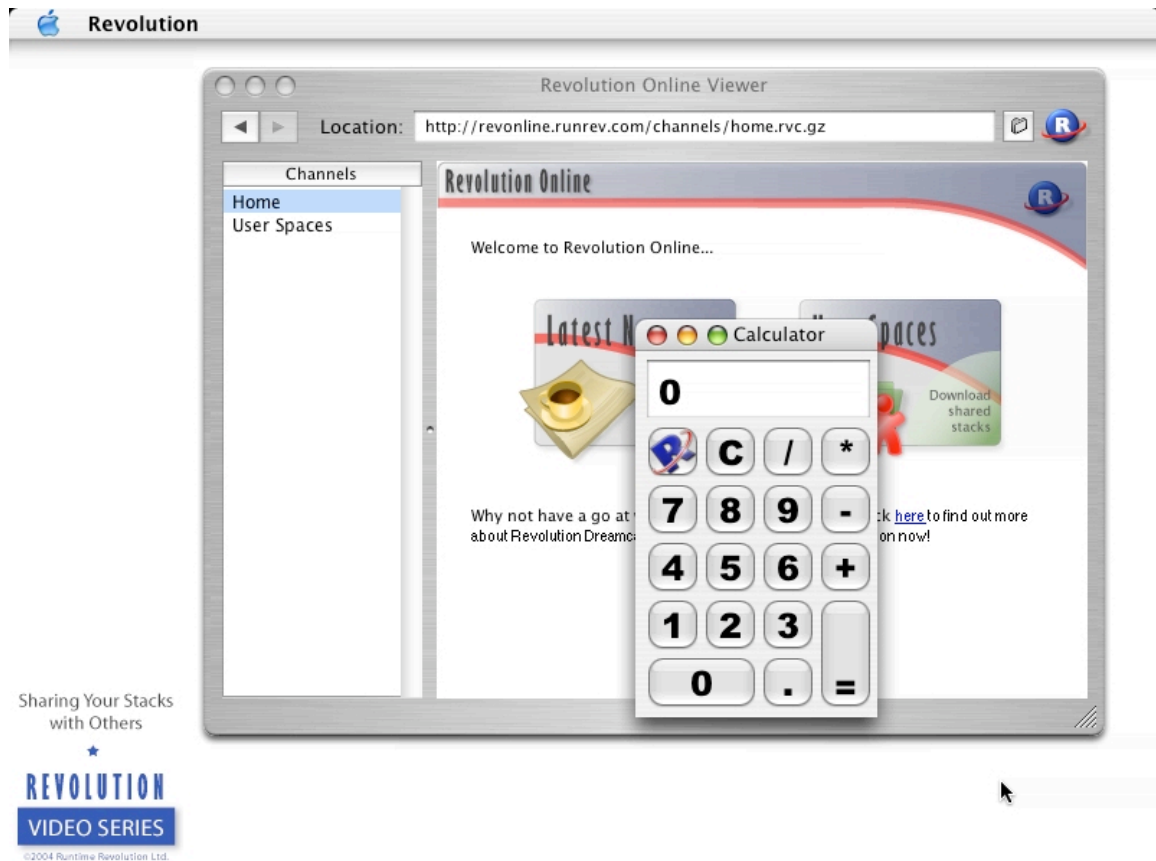
- You can use Revolution Online to publish applications
 - Revolution Online is included free with Revolution
 - How to share something you have written
 - How does someone who hasn't got Revolution access your application?
 - What does my application look like on a different type of computer?
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You can share stacks by distributing them with the freely available Revolution Player. The Player allows anyone to run a stack which you have written on any platform.



Your Revolution license allows you to distribute the Player in its original archived form to anyone, or to give out links to the Player download page on the Runtime Revolution website so someone can download the Player themselves: <http://downloads.runrev.com>.

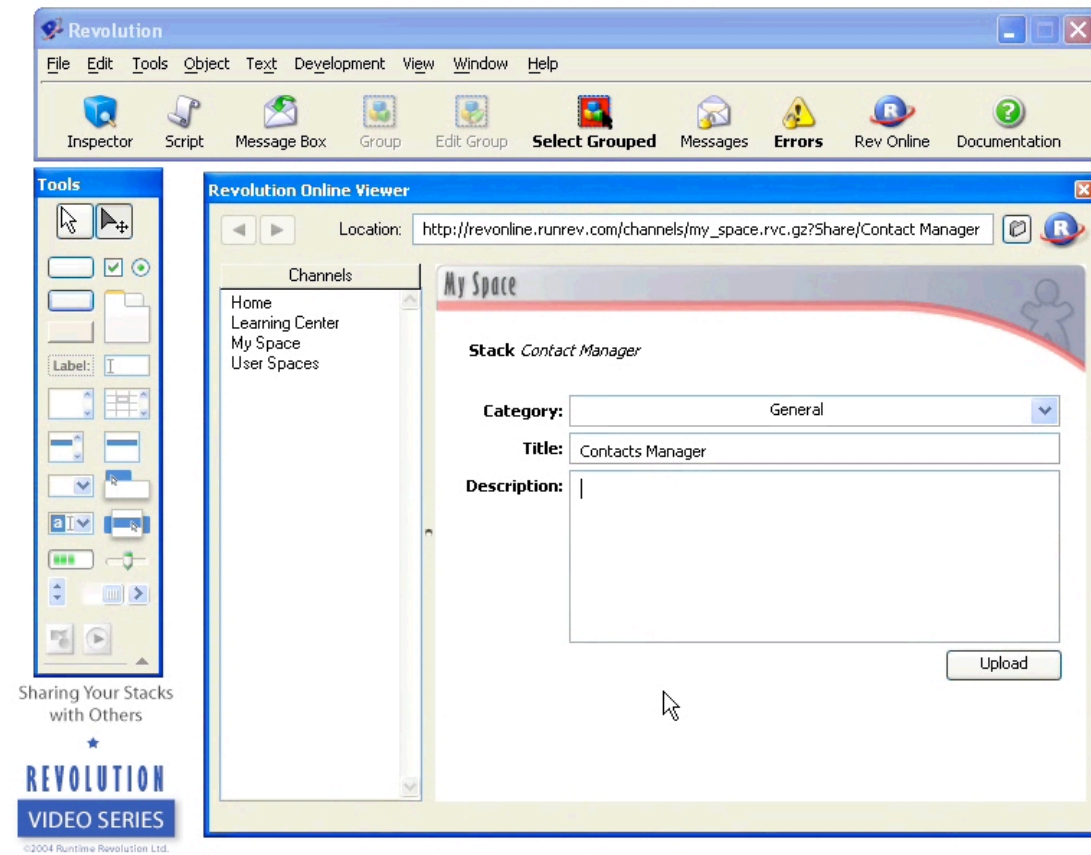
Note that if the person plays back your stack using a different platform it will automatically take on the appearance of a native application on that platform. This is the same application running on Mac OS X.



If you are a serious developer, you may want to actually try out your stack in the Player on each platform it is intended for to ensure that it looks correct – but you will need access to each of the different types of Mac and PC to do this! For more information on using and distributing the Player, see the Read Me file that accompanies it.

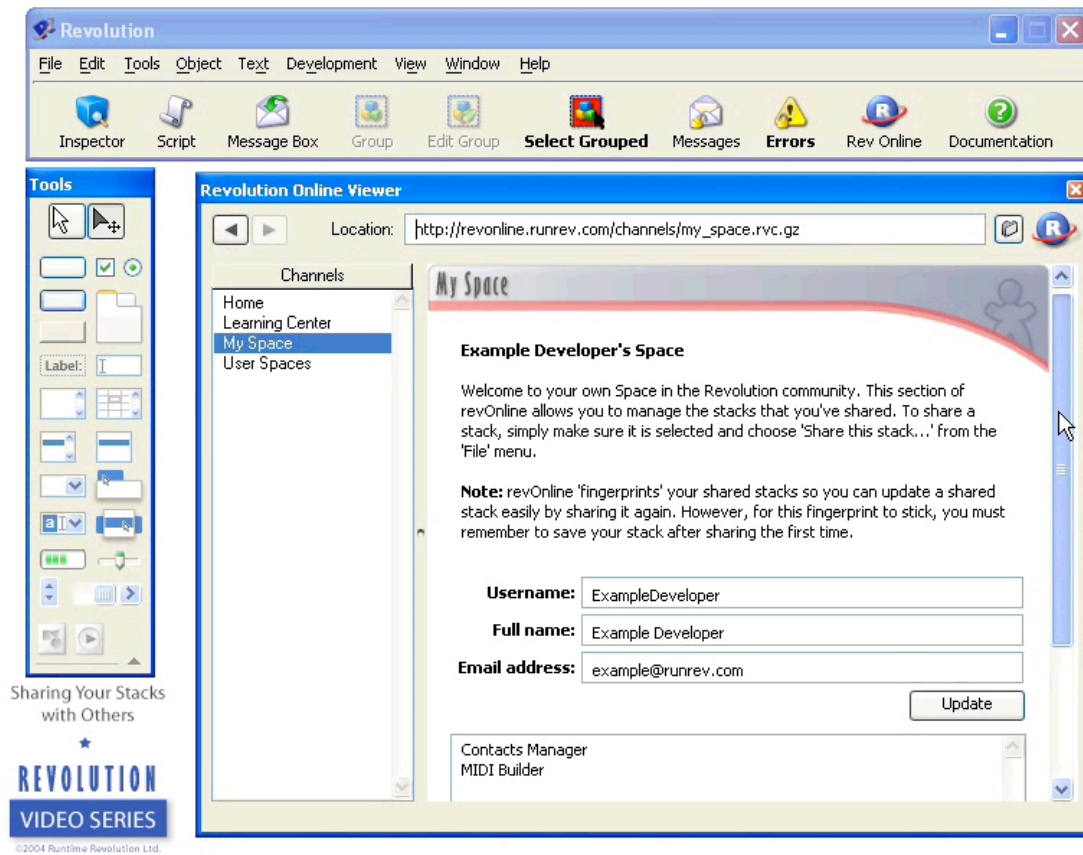
As well as distribution your stacks through the normal channels – online, CD-ROM or through email etc. – Revolution also includes a stack hosting service called 'My Space'. My Space is a convenient way to share your work with other developers and users. Stacks shared in 'My Space' can be accessed by other users of Revolution and also by anyone using the Revolution Player. My Space is a convenient way to store stacks because it's accessible from within Revolution, and doesn't require you to have your own web server. 10MB of storage space for stacks are included with Revolution.

If we want to share a stack we have written, we choose 'Share this Stack...' from the File menu. The 'Share this Stack' window appears. We can select a category for the stack to make it easier for other users to find it, and input a title and a short description .

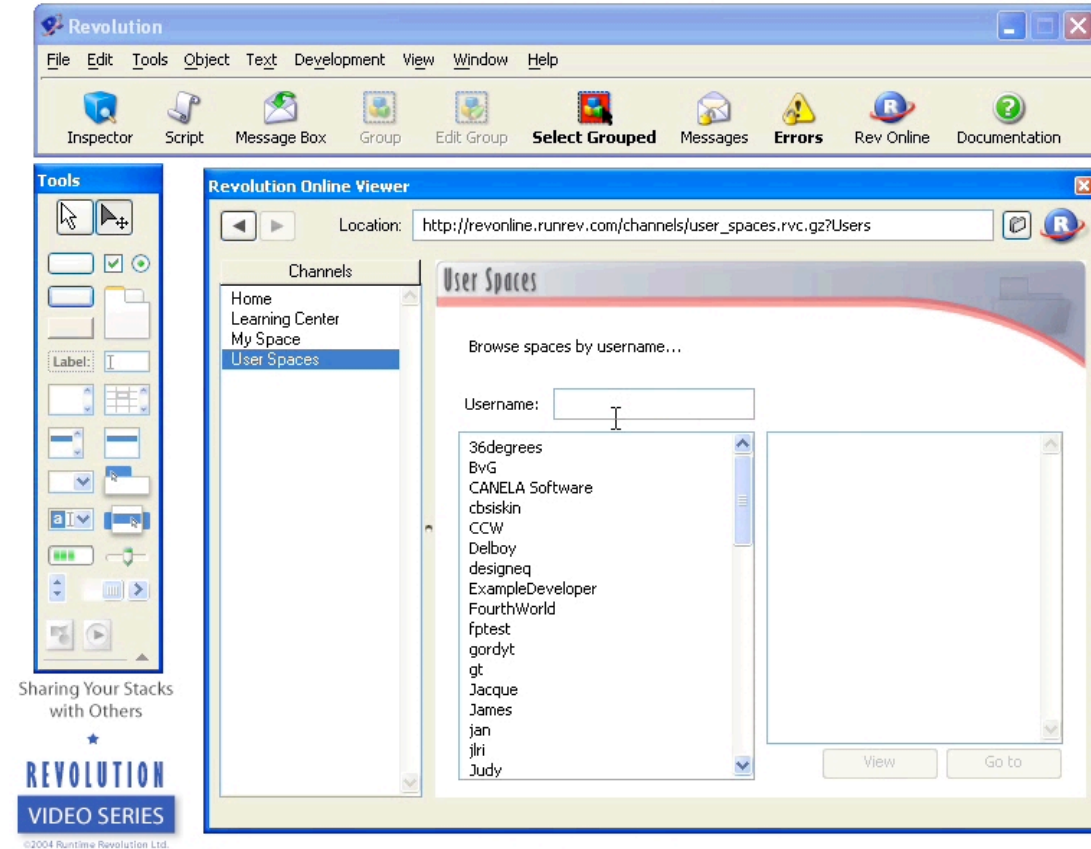


We press 'Upload' and the stack becomes available.

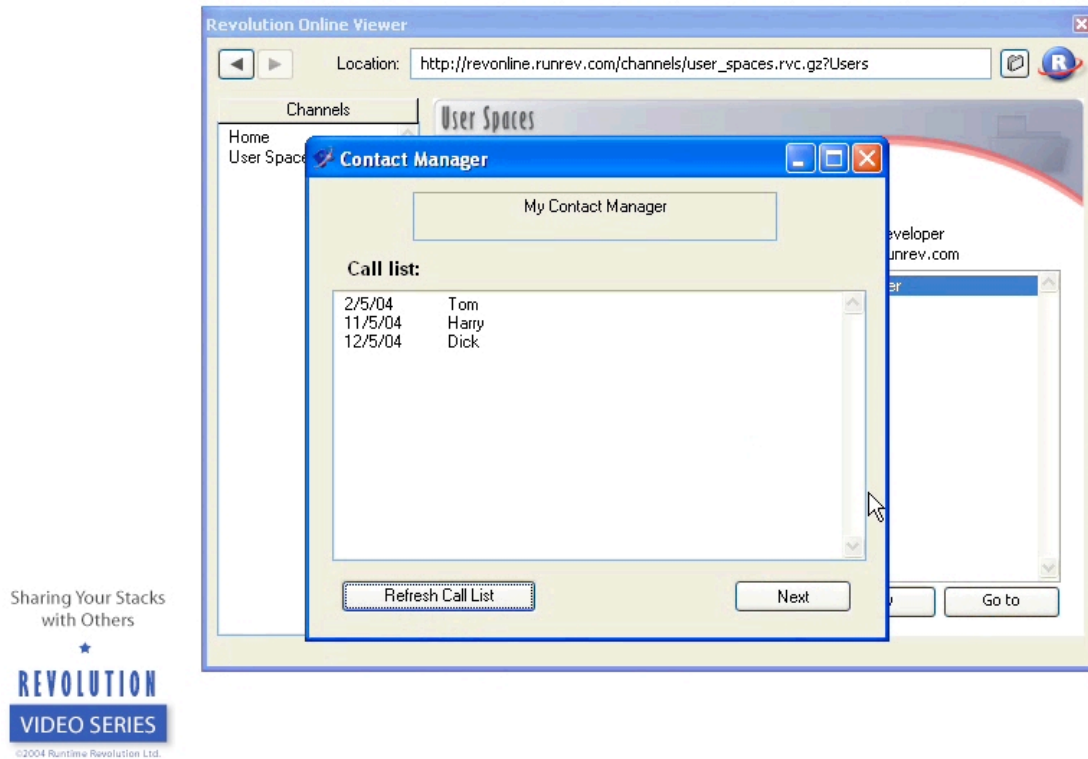
You can edit or remove stacks using My Space.



You can navigate to other stacks that are available by accessing User Spaces. User Spaces is available both from within Revolution and from within the Revolution Player. You can view stacks in User Spaces by user name or category. You can choose to view information about a stack or to run a stack.



If you want someone to access your stack in User Spaces using the Player, all you need to do is tell them your Revolution Online user name and send them a link to download the player. Here is the application we uploaded, running in the Player.



If you have the Studio or Enterprise Edition and want to build your stack into a single file application, see the tutorial on publishing a commercial application.