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Introduction:

Artist Enlarger is the utility that lets you get
more out of Ti-Artist and Font Writer.

Both of these packages have a vast array of
companions available containing new fonts and
pictures. However, all too often the picture or
font that seems most appropriate isn't the right
size. Now, with Artist Enlarger you can enlarge,
reduce, stretch or squeeze any picture or font so
it is the right size for your application.

Artist Enlarger is the simple tool that does the
complex thing of making your library of art more
versatile.

Loading Artist Enlarger:

This program requires the Extended BASIC module,
32K and one disk drive. To load it use the
following procedure:

> o Place the Extended BASIC module in the
>   cartridge port, turn on the computer, and
>   select Extended BASIC from the main menu.

> o Artist Enlarger will automatically load
>   and run.

Using Artist Enlarger:

If you are using a single disk drive system, it
is advisable that you place the fonts and/or
instances that you wish to process on an empty
disk with enough room for the processed file.

Artist enlarger, basically, takes one file
(either a font or instance), makes changes to it,

and then puts the altered file back on the disk. Keep this in mind while you are using the program, and everything it does will make sense.

Artist Enlarger is designed to enlarge or reduce a font or instance file 100%, or stretch or squeeze the file by a similar factor. Practically, this means the file will be doubled in size, or reduced in half, depending on the action you choose. Keep this in mind when you are putting files on a disk to process, and you won't run out of room for files (and thus force you to re-process the file). If merely doubling or quartering the size of a font or instance file is not enough, you can run a processed file through the program again to further reduce or enlarge the font or instance, ad infinitum.

If you wish to process a TI-Artist picture, first convert it to the instance file format using TI-Artist and it's Enhancements section.

After the program loads, the title screen will appear. Press any key at this point to go to the program's main menu. The main menu has 4 options:

> 1. Instances
> 2. Fonts
> 3. Catalog
> 4. Exit

If you forgot the filenames of the font or instance file or files you wish to process, select option #3. This option will catalog the disk in the drive selected and indicate which are fonts and which files are instances.

Select option #2 to process an instance file and #3 to process a font. Pressing #4 causes the program to exit to Extended BASIC.

After selecting either option #1 or #2, you will be asked to enter the name of the file you want to process, and the name of the file that is to be processed file.

After entering the filenames, you will be asked to select one of six ways the picture or font can be processed. If the original picture looks like this:

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The following actions will cause the following effect:

Full Enlargement:
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Vertical Stretch:
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Horizontal Stretch:
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Full Reduction:
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Horizontal Squeeze:
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Vertical Squeeze: `**`

Sometimes a reduction or a squeeze will cost the loss of some or much of the detail in a picture or font, so plan accordingly.

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