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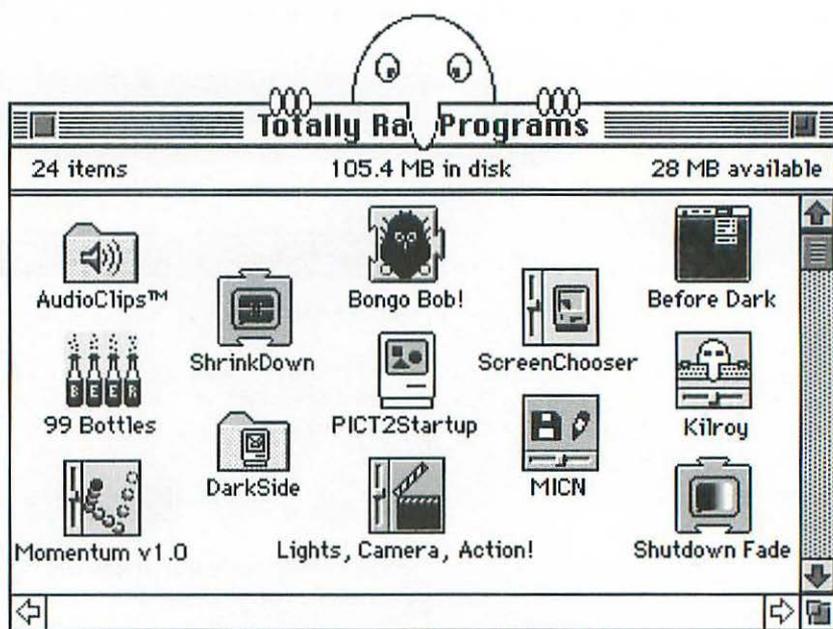


Kilroy

Back in World War II, soldiers entertained themselves by painting everything in sight with simple figures of a curious little bald-headed guy that looked as if he was peering over a wall or peeking out of a foxhole, depending on your point of view. The graffiti was almost always accompanied by the words “Kilroy was here.” Nobody is really sure how or why this fad got started, but now it can live on inside your Mac. Kilroy—whoever he is—hangs out in the background, waiting for you to take a break. When you do, Kilroy appears, taking a look around. Pretty soon, you’ll start to fondly think of Kilroy as a member of the family (albeit one who doesn’t send you birthday presents).

The Kilroy control panel contains only one text box. Enter the number of minutes of user inactivity that should go by before Kilroy appears. Experiment with different values to find a setting that works best for you. Too short a wait and Kilroy shows up all the time; too long a wait and he hardly ever makes an appearance. When you are done, click the close box and go on with your work as normal.

Now whenever an alert box, dialog box, or window is left on screen too long without user activity, Kilroy peeks over the top and his eyes follow the cursor. Move the cursor between his eyes to make Kilroy cross-eyed!



As shy as a leprechaun, Kilroy quickly disappears the moment you press a key or click the mouse. But never fear. He's always hiding somewhere inside your Mac, waiting for you to take a break before he pops up again to see what's going on.

