

Please, let us know what is happening with the Mac version.

Posted by DJAnt1 - 13 Dec 2013 03:45

Hello.

I've been checking the forums on the Mac version topic, and I must say I am really confused by the lack of response to the questions asked by Mac users interested in the development of LWKS for this platform.

Polite requests to know about its progress have been made, seconded by other members:

www.lwks.com/index.php?option=com_kunena&func=view&catid=29&id=41092&limit=15&limitstart=15&Itemid=81

People have pointed out that 2013 is ending and received no answer - unless that "Patience Grasshopper" was an official response, which I hope wasn't:

www.lwks.com/index.php?option=com_kunena&func=view&catid=29&id=8951&limit=15&limitstart=135&Itemid=81

Users have been offering themselves all over to be alpha, beta, gamma, epsilon testers, even through a dedicated topic:

www.lwks.com/index.php?option=com_kunena&func=view&catid=29&id=43734&Itemid=81

And to all that, the answer is - well, there is no answer.

I am aware that LightWorks was originally created for Windows so it would logically be created for that widely popular platform first. I understand that the Linux version is a first step programming towards a Mac version, so it would be the second one appearing.

But I honestly don't see why there cannot be an answer, even if it is to say "we are having problems, we do not know when it will be ready". I understand the program is almost free (having certain codecs on the pro version has a cost if they want to release it to the public, so there go your \$60) and that therefore we cannot expect much resources going to its development, but whatever happens, I think the way to gain and keep our trust is not by giving us silence.

The Mac version was announced over 2 years ago. It is a long time, which might not be enough for developing it, but it should be enough to let people know what is happening, at least in general lines.

Why am I asking this? I guess for the same reason other Mac users are: we are very, very interested in this NLE system. Since the FCPX fiasco (although apparently it has been widely improved by now) many people started looking for a different editing software (and many of them were tired of Apple precisely due to their silence politics). Some went to Adobe, some to Avid, and I guess some of us are still waiting for LWKS to come out.

I considered at one point learning (insert that other NLE here) and even investing in a copy - there have been offers for jobs using that program during these two years. I chose LightWorks then, and waited for it. But it's been over two years and it looks like waiting even more won't change things, so i might as well not lose those future jobs in (insert that other NLE here). I mean, nobody has told us otherwise. It seems logical to think that if LightWorks were in need of testers they would have picked some of the guys on the line, and if the Mac version were almost ready we'd have been told so by now.

And there would have been great rejoicing.

I cannot stress this enough: I am asking for information because I am VERY interested in LightWorks and I want to know what are the chances of the Mac version appearing, well, let's say before March 2014. Do you have good reason to believe that will happen? Are you having trouble and you consider August to be more likely? Is there reason to suspect that we'll have to wait until 2015?

Please, don't keep us in the darkness. Let us know what is happening so we can make an informed decision since there are other NLE out there. I know Mac users are a small group, but still, it's just some basic information we are asking for.

Thank you.

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Re: Please, let us know what is happening with the Mac version.

Posted by milleja46 - 29 Apr 2014 18:36

Well nice to know we have a date known, even though I kinda wish it was now. Half tempted to see how it does in parallels once I close a few tabs and clean up my hard drive from two years of not even remembering to clean up unused documents and everything...

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Re: Please, let us know what is happening with the Mac version.

Posted by ldtowers - 08 May 2014 21:43

Just want to know if I am in the alpha/beta test pool. If not is there a registration process?

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Re: Please, let us know what is happening with the Mac version.

Posted by briandrys - 09 May 2014 06:18

I don't know the current alpha situation, that seems to consist of people who have already asked to test and it sounds like it's rolling out in stages with a month to go before the announced public beta test. I guess they'll contact you if they need more alpha testers for the next stage. There seemed to be a fair number asking to test, so they may have more requests than they need for alpha testing.

For the beta test stage, you just register on the web site following its announcement and then download the software. With previous beta tests, this consists of giving feedback in the beta forums and a new beta build coming out roughly once a week. The beta testing does involve a good shake down of Lightworks, so can involve quite a few builds before the release.

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Re: Please, let us know what is happening with the Mac version.

Posted by YashaRus - 07 Jun 2014 15:00

Today, June 7 was promised release on mac OS. Where is it? 😊

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Re: Please, let us know what is happening with the Mac version.

Posted by briandrys - 07 Jun 2014 15:16

You've somehow picked up the wrong date, the Mac public beta is coming out on the 11th June. You'll find the date flagged on the site's home page and in the announcements.

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Re: Please, let us know what is happening with the Mac version.

Posted by jwrl - 08 Jun 2014 00:37

As far as I can recall, ever since a firm date was announced it has been June 11.

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Re: Please, let us know what is happening with the Mac version.

Posted by mediaDS - 08 Jun 2014 11:17

YashaRus wrote:

Today, June 7 was promised release on mac OS. Where is it? 😊

You still demand things angrily ? And you still don't support Editshare with a Pro license. You should be ashamed of yourself.

Please consider this a friendly forum and angry demands are not wanted here. You either wait silently until it's ready or you go away, use another "free" software and never come back here.

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Re: Please, let us know what is happening with the Mac version.

Posted by salar - 08 Jun 2014 13:05

Why do you pick on YshaRus? Are you commissioned by Lightworks to do so? He made an error, so what?

Frankly said:

As far as I remember Lightworks for Mac is about 2 years behind roadmap.

So many Mac even did have the opportunity to pay any Pro license. Or do **you** demand from everybody to install Bootcamp and Windows to become a humble member of this forum? I bet the servers will crash on June11th...

I do not say this negative, but I guess many Mac editors will start downloading after their first cup of

coffee...

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Re: Please, let us know what is happening with the Mac version.

Posted by mediaDS - 08 Jun 2014 13:18

salar wrote:

Why do you pick on YshaRus? Are you commissioned by Lightworks to do so? He made an error, so what?

He does this "error" again and again. We had this discussion before many times. And I'm quite sick of his demands and the tone he brings into discussions.

Again - it's ready when it's ready. Period.

There is no need at all to bring this angry demands here. If you don't like the delays in development then you are free to pay for any other software you like and be done with it. If not - wait until Lightworks is ready.

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Re: Please, let us know what is happening with the Mac version.

Posted by salar - 08 Jun 2014 13:46

Checking his replies it looks did this "error" only once this year... so please stay on topic

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Re: Please, let us know what is happening with the Mac version.

Posted by mediaDS - 08 Jun 2014 14:37

Then you didn't look good enough. And btw, I think he can answer on his own and knows exactly what I'm talking about.

I don't want to repeat this stupid discussion again, so no further answers from my side. I just wanted to tell him (and **not you** salar) to either stay polite and wait until the software is ready or to just go away and use a different "free" software. Over and out

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Re: Please, let us know what is happening with the Mac version.

Posted by jwrl - 08 Jun 2014 23:58

Guys, while I appreciate both your concerns about courtesy on these forums, this diversion must now be regarded as closed. Please keep on topic.

As both of you are in a position to realize, it can be hard for a person who is a non-native English speaker to convey subtleties. Unless someone is directly and pointedly rude it's probably a good idea to assume that their real meaning was "lost in translation".

I saw the original post and didn't interpret it as an attack. If I had I would have moderated it. I just gave him the benefit of the doubt and read it as an expression of impatience.

However one thing that none of these forums are is a platform for users to engage in private battles. Please don't. If you do, you may be the ones being moderated. Regard this as a friendly warning.

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