MonitorMyMac

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Timed Screenshots and Webcam Images with FTP Upload

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Registering MonitorMyMac

After downloading MonitorMyMac and deciding that you would like a full working copy, you can purchase this directly at the following web address:

http://www.monitormymac.co.uk

Once you have done this we are automatically notified of your purchase and a User Name and Serial Number are sent out to you via email. The Serial Number is tied to your Name and the two must be used in conjunction.

When you receive the serial number email you should launch MonitorMyMac and access the Preferences menu item.
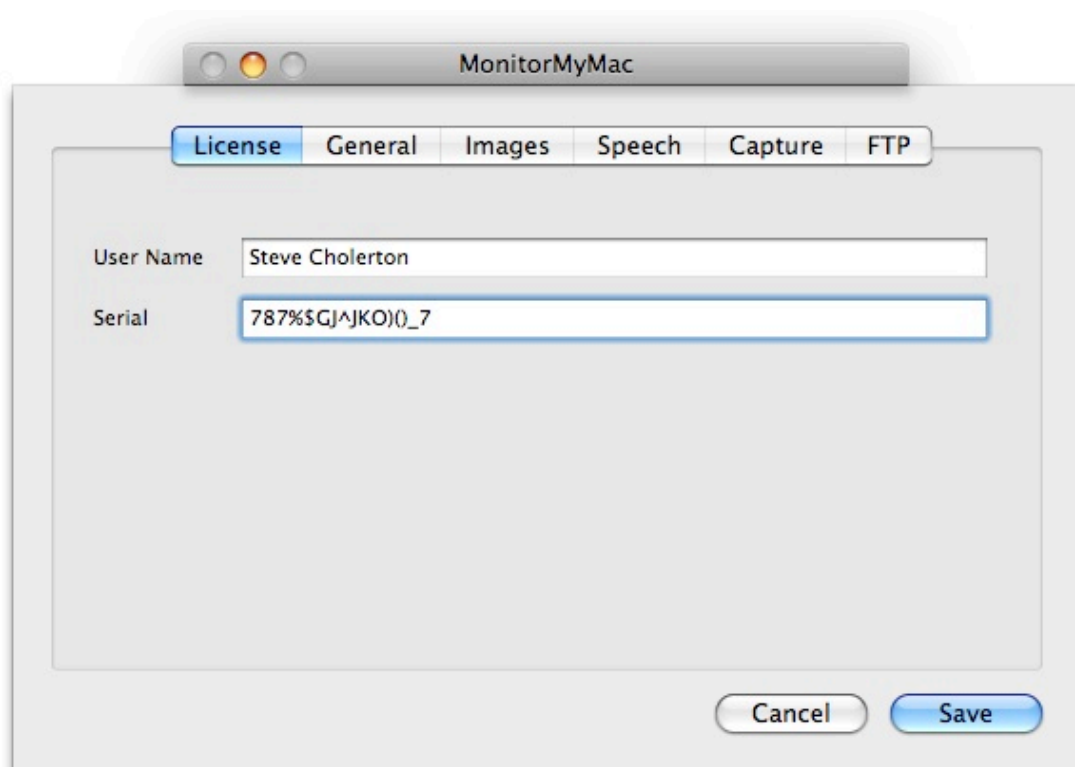
The User Name and Serial Number that you received in your email from Arten Science should be entered into the appropriate fields on the Preferences window. To avoid typing errors we suggest you Copy / Paste the information.

If the information is correct the product is then fully licensed. Keep the email from Arten Science safe as you will need it should you need to reinstall in future on a new computer.

Our licensing allows one purchase to be installed on two computers that you own, for example your desktop and also your laptop. Please respect our efforts and purchase additional licenses if you need to install on multiple computers. We also offer family licenses (up to 5 users) and site licenses for corporations (unlimited single site usage).

Any problems with registration, please email us at: support@artenscience.co.uk

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Introduction

MonitorMyMac is an application that performs screenshots and captures images from your webcam at timed intervals. These images are saved on your hard disk or a remote network device. In addition these images can be automatically uploaded to an FTP Server.

- See what happened on your computer, or in your office / room when you were absent
- Verify that your children are not doing something they shouldn't be on their computer
- Monitor your Goldfish / Bird / Tortoise while you are on holiday
- Capture an image of the person stealing your computer
- Provide a visual record of what you were doing and when - ideal for billing those 'lost hours'
- Create a Quicktime Movie of the days images as a visual journal
- and lots more ...

We hope that MonitorMyMac meets your needs. If you have any questions, suggestions for additional features, or would just like to chat to the developer - contact us at www.artenscience.co.uk

INTRODUCTION

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Features

General
Supplied as a Universal Binary for Mac OSX
Easy to use, Modern, Attractive, Clean and Minimal Interface
Requires No Installation
Can be run from a USB drive
Low CPU and Memory Footprint
Easily Customised with Many Preferences Options
Big Brother to the Popular ScreenAudit Software
Remembers the Locations and Sizes of All Windows

Specific
Snapshots of your Screen and/or Webcam at Timed Intervals
View the Images remotely via a Webpage
Full Stealth Capability
Save Images to a Quicktime Movie / Slideshow
Built in Image Viewer
Stores Your Images Locally or on a Shared Device
Automatically Upload Images to FTP Server
Ability to convert Selected Images to a Quicktime Movie
User Definable Image Quality and Snapshot Interval
Three Webcam Image Size Choices
Easy Archive Facility
Support for Dual Monitors
Speech Capability
Activity Log with TimeStamp
Can Capture the Dashboard and 'All Spaces'

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Quick Start

After downloading, unzip the file. Depending on your browser settings your operating system may do this automatically for you. Drag the file / folder to a convenient location on your hard disk. Double click the MonitorMyMac file to launch the program.

You will see the MonitorMyMac main screen.
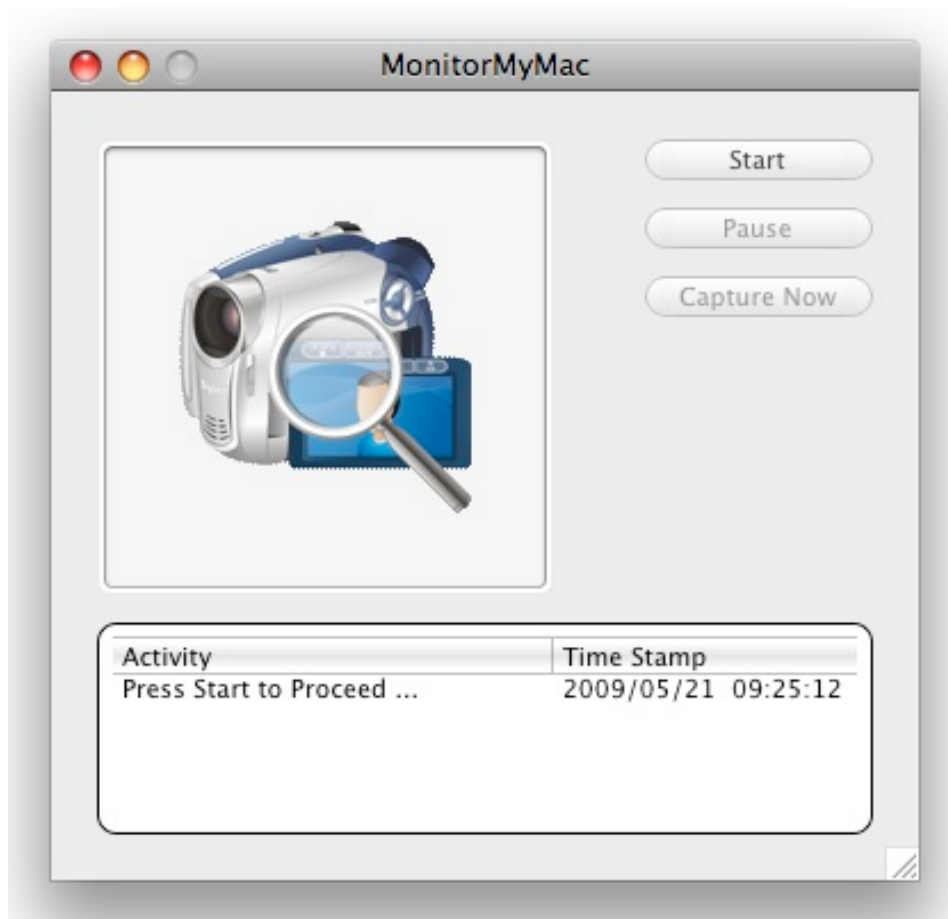
Click Start to activate the screen captures.

Click Pause to Pause the capturing.

Capture Now performs an immediate capture.

To take full advantage of everything that MonitorMyMac has to offer you need to configure the Preferences. See the next Section.

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Configure the Preferences

Open the Preferences window from the MonitorMyMac menu.   You need to setup the Preferences to take full advantage of MonitorMyMac.

The Preferences are split into sections accessed using the Tab Menu.

Prefs: General
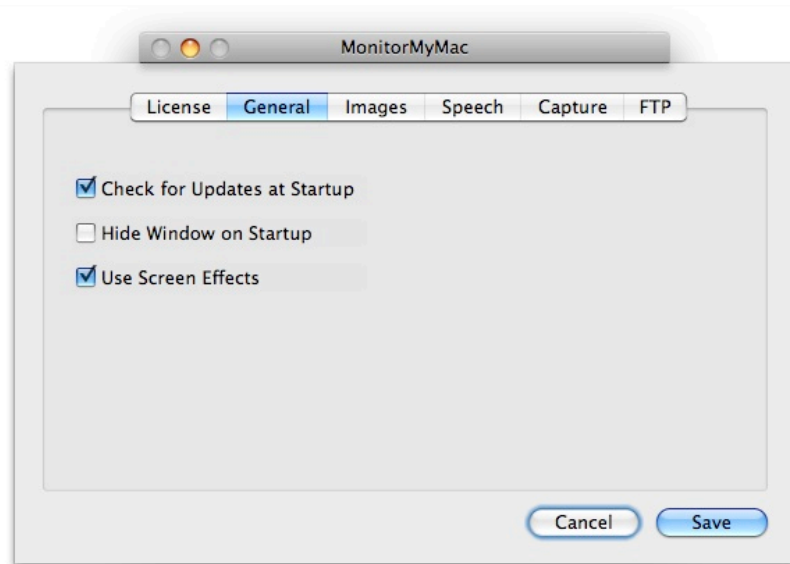
Check for Updates at Startup
If this box is checked then MonitorMymac will inform you whenever a new version is released, and give you the opportunity to download it.
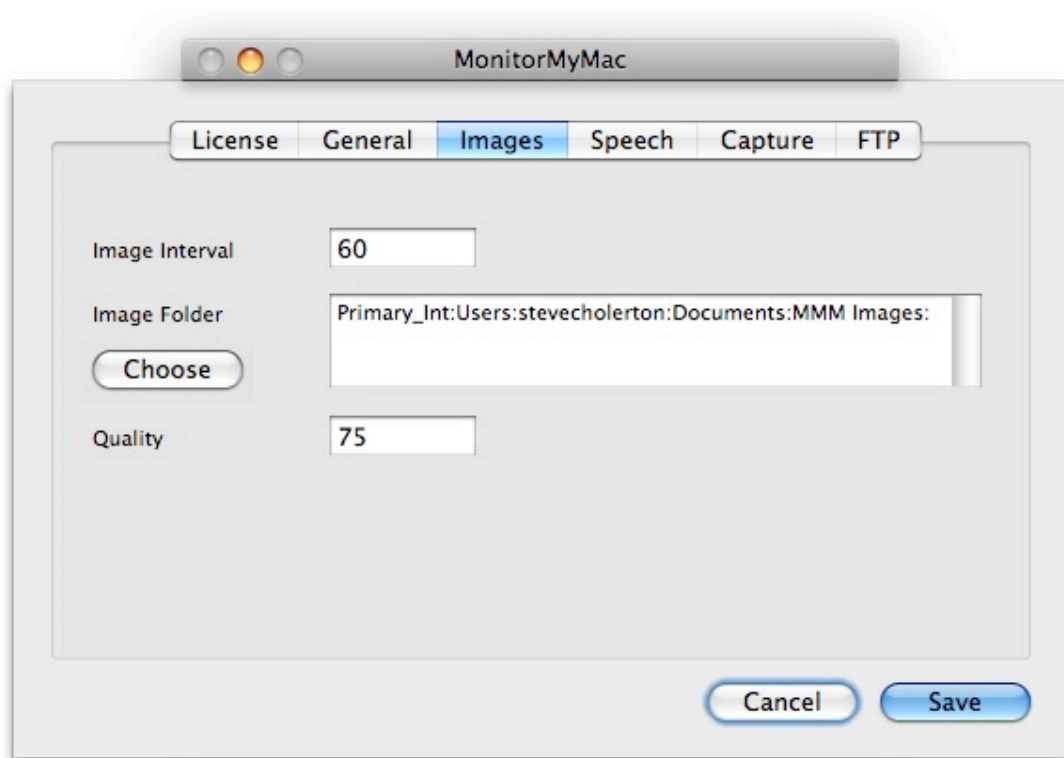
Hide Window on Startup
If checked then the main window will not be displayed and the program will start capturing automatically. This option is required if using the Full Stealth Version

Use Screen Effects
If checked then MonitorMyMac uses various screen effects when closing windows, pretty, but not essential.

Prefs: Images

Image Interval
This is the delay, in seconds, between images being captured.

Image Folder
Click the Choose button to navigate to the folder or drive where you wish the captured images to be stored. The path will then be displayed.
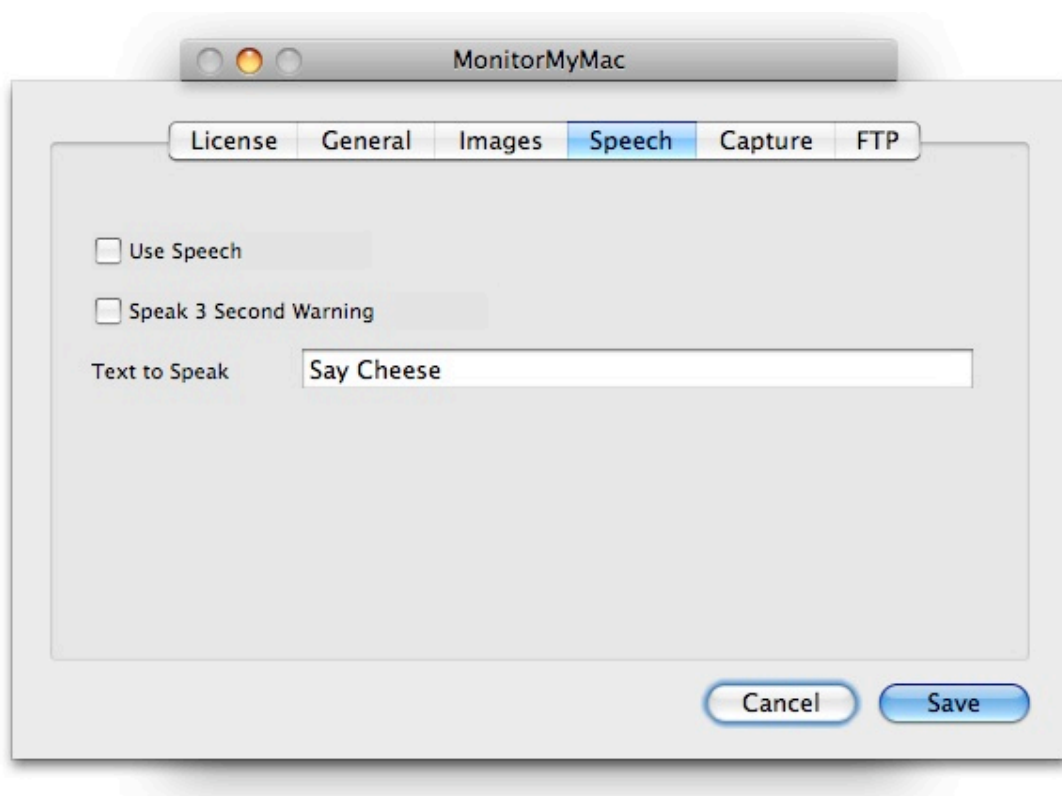
Quality
The Image Quality, between 75 and 300.
Note: Images taken at the higher resolutions take up significantly more disk space, and if uploading to an FTP Server, will take significantly longer.

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Prefs: Speech

if you have the Use Speech checkbox checked, then you can get MonitorMyMac to speak a warning three seconds before the images are captured.

In addition, when the image is taken you can choose the sentence that you would like MonitorMyMac to speak.

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**Prefs: Capture**
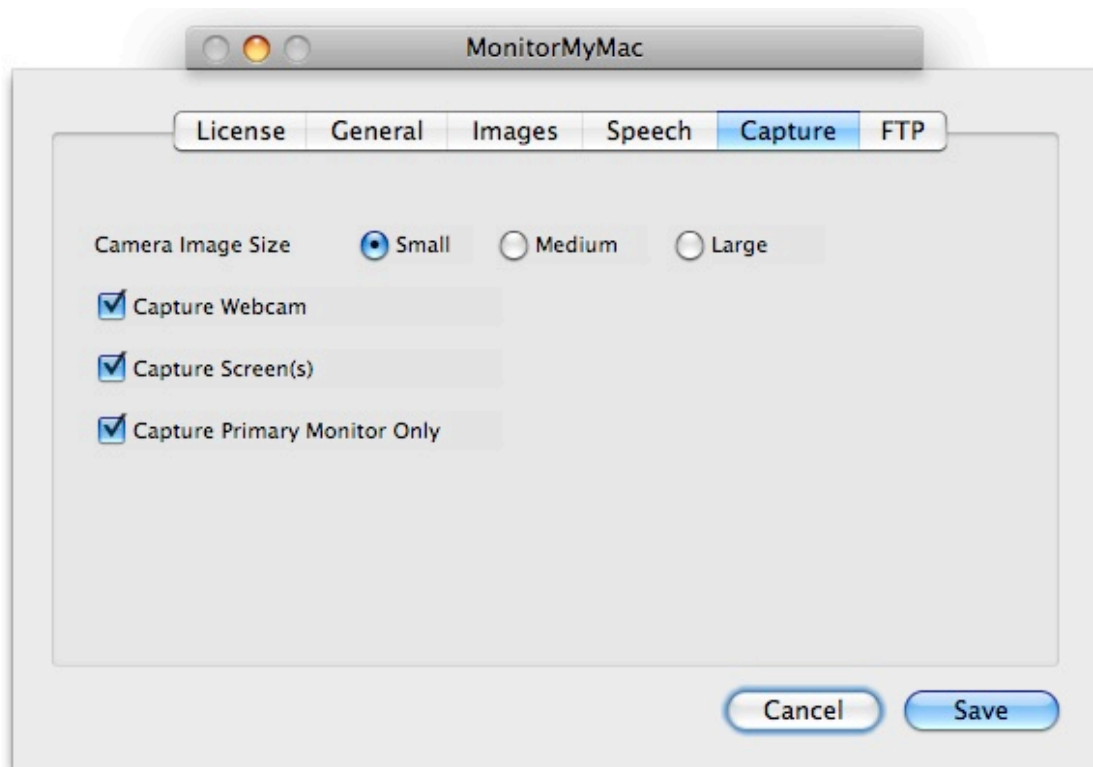
Camera Image Size
You have three choices of image size for the photographs taken by the webcam.

The following three checkboxes determine whether you capture the webcam only, the screens only or both. In addition you can make MonitorMyMac capture only the main screen when used in a dual monitor environment.

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Prefs: FTP
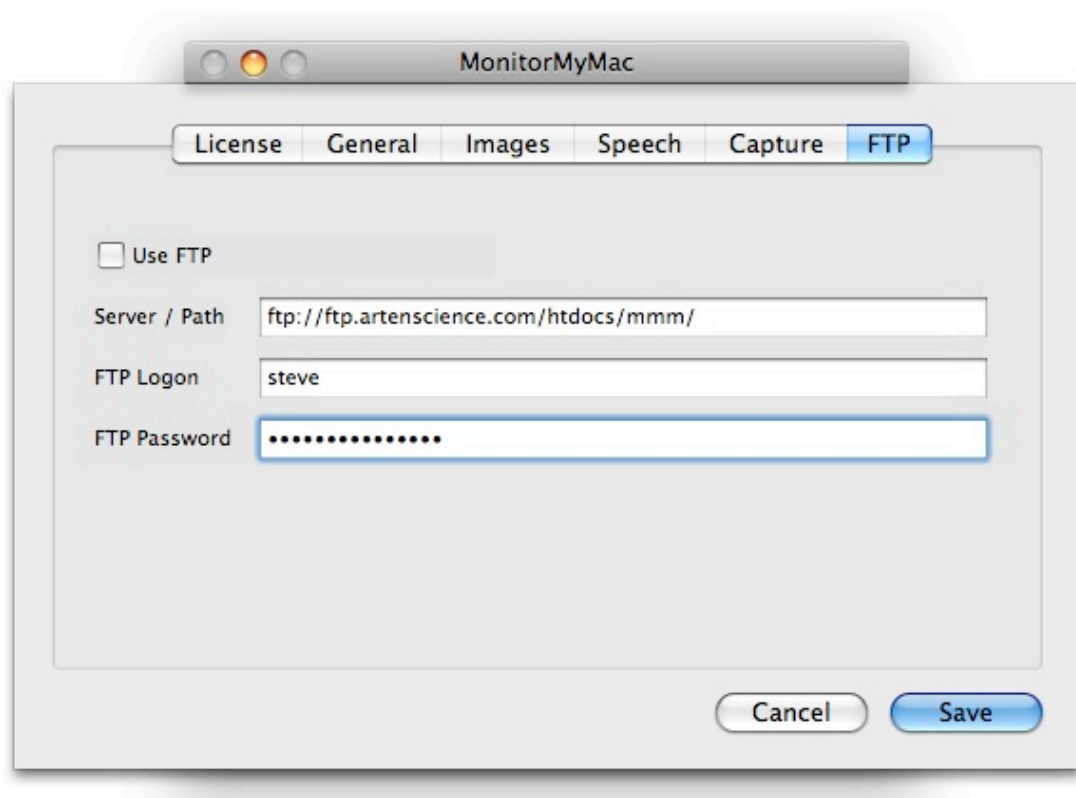
If you wish for your captured images to be automatically uploaded to an FTP Server, check the Use FTP checkbox and fill in the following details:

Server and Path, Logon Name and Password.

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Viewing the Captured Images

Version 1.1.0 introduced the capability for MMM to create HTML files which contain a link to the latest captured images.

Two files are created (assuming you have set the Preferences to capture both Screen and Webcam), the files are named:

mmm_latest_webcam.html

and

mmm_latest_screenshot.html

These files are created and stored locally with your images as well as being automatically uploaded to your FTP site (if you are using the FTP capability).

In practical terms what this gives you is the capability to bookmark these files and view the latest webcam or screen captures from iPhone, Windows Mobile Device, Netbook, Browser or any other device that can display webpages and has access to your FTP site over the internet.
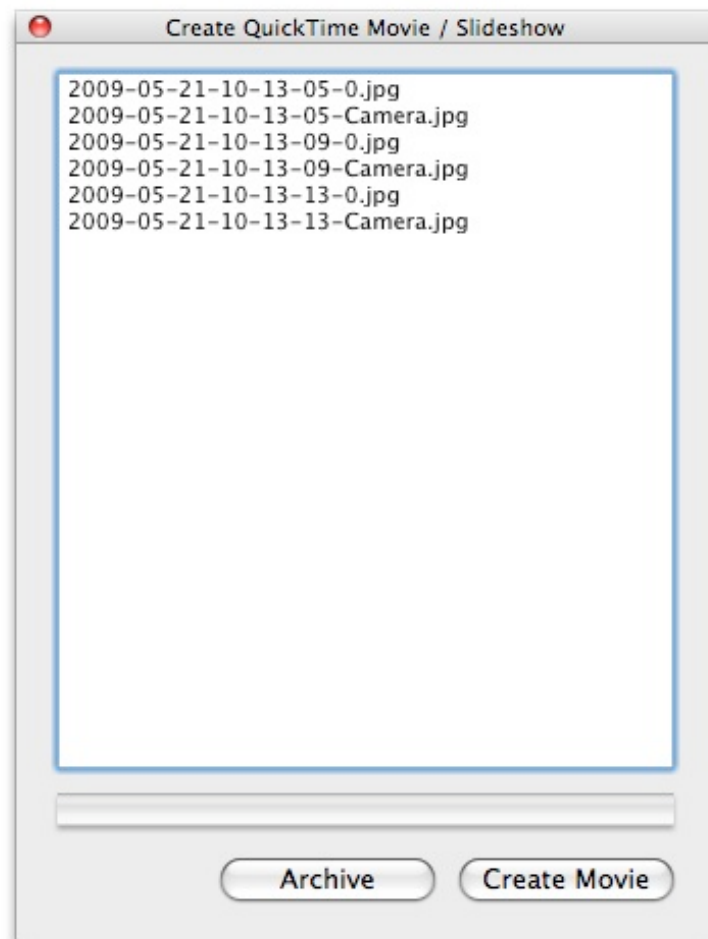
This is much easier and quicker than manually looking at the directory listings to establish the latest images. Although you can of course still do this should you wish to.
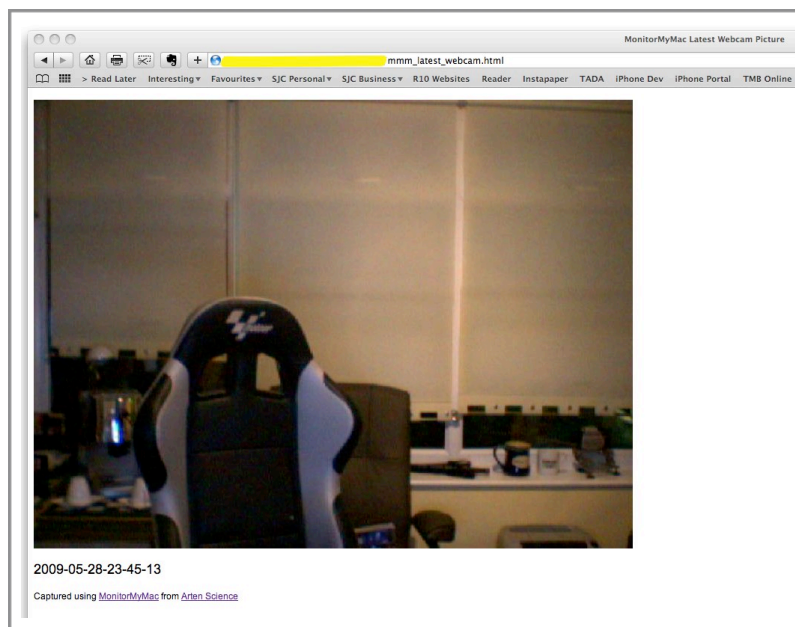
As you can see the webpage that is created is Date and Time stamped so that you are always aware of when camera image / screenshot you are viewing, was taken.

Menu Option: Create Slideshow Movie / Archive

Selecting this menu option opens the window shown below:

Create QuickTime Movie / Slideshow

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2009-05-21-10-13-05-0.jpg
2009-05-21-10-13-05-Camera.jpg
2009-05-21-10-13-09-0.jpg
2009-05-21-10-13-09-Camera.jpg
2009-05-21-10-13-13-0.jpg
2009-05-21-10-13-13-Camera.jpg
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(Archive)   (Create Movie)

This screen allows you to select individual images and create a Quicktime movie from those selected images, to do this use the Create Movie button.

The Archive button is will collect all the images in your image folder, create another folder called Archive_Date_Time and place your images within. In addition MonitorMyMac will collate all the images together in Date / Time order and create a Quicktime Slideshow / Movie of them.

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Menu Option: Image Viewer

Selecting this menu option opens the window shown below:
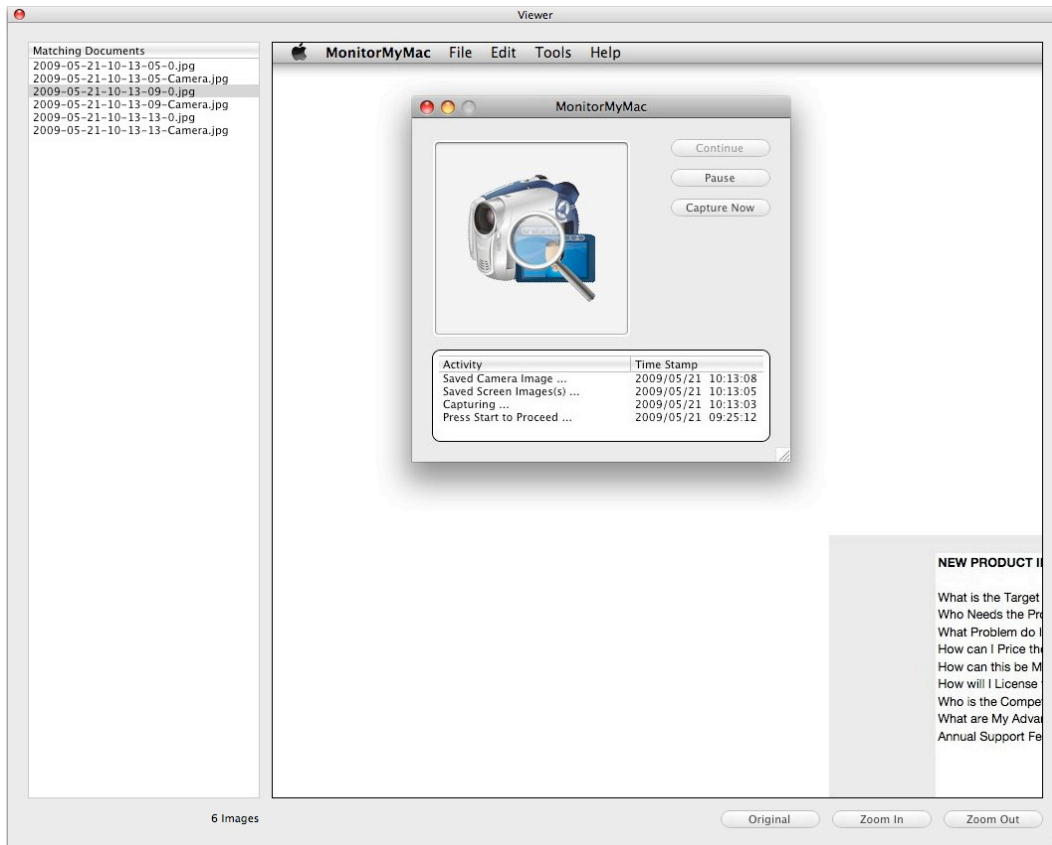
Using this screen you can select any of your captured images and view them. You can also zoom in and out of the image using the buttons.

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Trial Version Limitations

The Trial Edition has the following restrictions:

Trial Version Window Displayed

Program Requires Restart after 30 Images have been Captured.

For Complete Functionality a license can be purchased from: http://www.MonitorMyMac.com

Single User, Family and Corporate Site Licenses are available.

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Version History

1.0.0	May 21st 2009	Initial Release for ScreenAudit Customers
1.0.1	May 21st 2009	Full Stealth Capability Added
1.0.2	May 21st 2009	Slight Interface Tweaks
1.0.2	May 21st 2009	This Manual Supplied with the Download
1.1.0	May 26th 2009	HTML Files Created - View Latest Images
1.2.0	May 28th 2009	HTML Files Now Display Date / Time Stamp
1.2.2	June 10th 2009	Maintenance Release
1.2.3	July 7th 2009	Maintenance Release
1.2.4	July 13th 2009	Trial Version Increased to 30 Images
1.2.5	July 24th 2009	Slight Cosmetic Update
1.3.0	Dec 18th 2009	Maintenance Update

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Addendum 1: Frequently Asked Questions

Q: How do I get support ?
A: Please email support@artenscience.co.uk

Q: Do you do corporate or site licensing ?
A: Yes, a site license is available.

Q: Do you do educational licensing ?
A: Yes, please contact licensing@artenscience.co.uk

Q: How do I purchase ?
A: Via Paypal, at this address: http://www.MonitorMyMac.com

Q: Do you do other products ?
A: Yes, http://www.artenscience.co.uk

Q: Are trial versions available ?
A: All our products can be downloaded and used before purchase

Q: Do you offer a money back guarantee ?
A: Yes, 30 days.

Q: Do you offer telephone support ?
A: No, not currently. This may change in the future however.

Q: How do I register ?
A: Open the program preferences and input your name and serial number.

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Addendum 2: Arten Science and MonitorMyMac

Arten Science was setup in the UK in 2007 to design, develop and market quality commercial software for the Apple Mac OSX (Universal Binary), Windows XP / Vista and Linux with GTK+ 2.x.

We also provide Bespoke Software Development and Technology, Database and Security Consultancy services.

In addition to creating new solutions for our customers, all of our commercial products can be tailored, modified and enhanced to suit your specific requirements.

Arten Science can help you to use software to solve business problems and create business opportunities.

MonitorMyMac was written using REALbasic 2009.

http://www.realsoftware.com/

The author is Steven Cholerton.

http://www.lonelyhacker.net

Additional functionality was added by the use of plugins from MonkeyBread Software.

http://www.monkeybreadsoftware.de/

The icons were supplied by DryIcons.

http://dryicons.com/

Coffee supplied by Caffitaly.

http://www.caffitaly.com/en/offerta-aromi-caffe.asp

This manual was written on a 8 Core MacPro using Pages.

http://www.apple.com/iwork/

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