

Adobe Illustrator CS1 - CS5 - **Collect for Output**

Oftentimes, one of the hardest and most time-consuming tasks of designing a file for print is providing all the necessary parts (fonts, graphics, etc.) of the design to the printer. When sending a job for printing, please include:

- Final layout file
- Linked images and graphics
- Fonts used in all project files
- Any used third-party application plug-in's
- Printed disk directory (if sending a disk)
- A hard-copy (or PDF) go-by so that we know how your project should look

Unfortunately, Adobe has yet to add a Collect for Output feature to Illustrator (even Illustrator CS5). There are, however, some alternative solutions that can help with the collection process:

Collect for Output AppleScript

Adobe Systems, Incorporated
www.adobe.com

This AppleScript (Mac OS X only - no Windows support) is included with Adobe Illustrator installs but is not as robust as InDesign's built-in Package feature. The AppleScript is located within the Illustrator application folder inside the *Scripting* subfolder. Please note that the script only collects placed images and graphics. Fonts must be collected manually. Documentation is included.

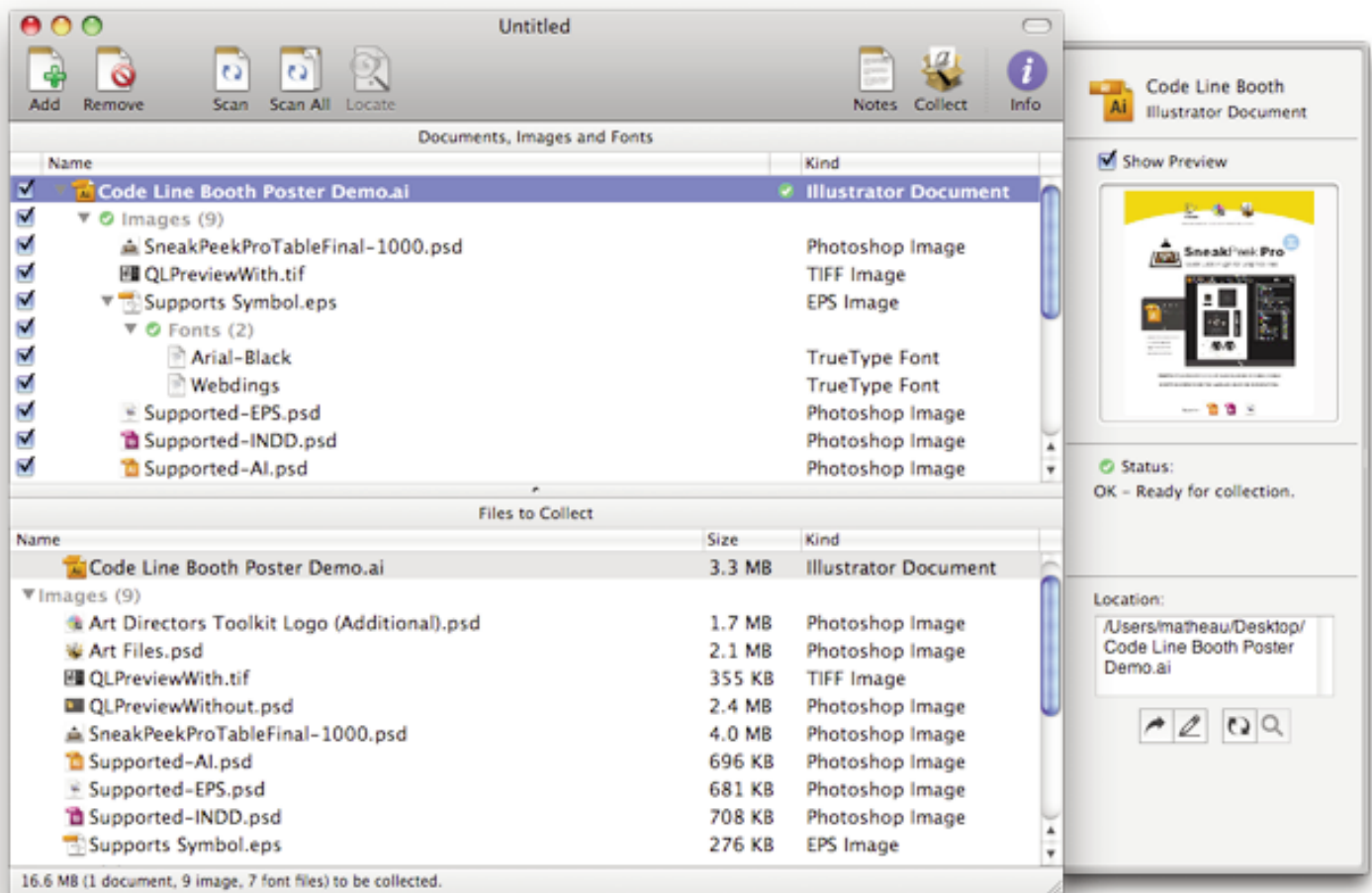
Art Files

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Art Files is a stand-alone application that takes the tedious task of collecting Illustrator documents, linked images and fonts for graphics files and turns it into a simple point & click operation. Art Files focuses on gathering just the information you need to get your files packaged up or ready for archiving.

Art Files also has the unique ability to collect several documents at once, saving precious time when only minutes stand between overnighting your artwork to the printer and having to hire a high-price door-to-door courier to meet your deadline. In addition to saving time, this feature also cuts down on disk space by collecting shared images and fonts between documents only once.

Art Files is perfect for production artists or anyone who works with graphics files and needs the portability of sending documents to others for editing or printing. Its simple, straight-forward user-interface is sure to make file collection nightmares a thing of the past.



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