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Thanks for trying **Paths to Clipboard!**

What Is It?

It is an AppleScript "droplet," which means it accepts files and folders that are dropped on it in the Finder. The full path to each file or folder, separated by a carriage return, will be placed on the clipboard.

This is perhaps most useful for programmers, or others who need to frequently use full paths.

What Do I Need?

- AppleScript (System 7 or higher). See <http://www.applescript.apple.com/> for general AppleScript information.
- The script requires access to the clipboard. If you have a system earlier than 8.5, the Scripting Addition "Jon's Commands" provides this. You should be able to find Jon's Commands through either C|Net's Download.com at <http://download.com/> or through the Info-Mac Hyperarchive at <http://hyperarchive.lcs.mit.edu/HyperArchive.html>. If you have 8.5 or later, clipboard access is built-in, but Jon's Commands still provides useful scripting commands.

(Please note that this is offered for informational purposes, and is not an endorsement.)

A handy addition if you're using MacOS 8 or higher is the contextual menu extension CMTools. This extends the contextual Finder menus in MacOS and has quite a few useful features. Among them is "Open Using"; with it, you can select applications that will be available for opening a file when you open a contextual menu. Using this, you can set things up so that when Control-clicking on a file, you can select "Open Using->Paths to Clipboard" and the full path to each selected file will be placed on the clipboard, ready for use.

CMTools is available through Control-Click at <http://www.control-click.com/>

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