

Audition Segues

v1.0

For macOS 11+/Music v1.1+
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Play a set number of seconds from the end of each track in a playlist thru a set number of seconds into the next track in order to evaluate how the tracks *segue*.

Universal, for macOS 11 and later only.

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Installation:

This script, "Audition Segues", is an **AppleScript applet** and can be run by double-clicking its icon in the Finder. Thus, it can be installed anywhere you find it convenient to access. However, it is probably best accessed from the Script menu of the **Music** app, from where it can be launched by clicking its name.

To make an AppleScript available in your **Music** Script menu, install it in the Music "Scripts" folder. This is located at *[user name] / Library / Music / Scripts /*. **Music** will look for AppleScripts in this folder.

*The user Library directory may be hidden by default. To make it visible, hold down the Option key on your keyboard and select **Go > Library** from the Finder.*

If the *[user name] / Library /* folder does not contain the "Music" folder or "Scripts" folder, then create them and put the script(s) in the "Scripts" folder. AppleScripts will then appear in the **Music** app's Script menu, and can be activated by selecting by name and clicking. Be sure to also save this Read Me document in a safe and

convenient place.

Security & Privacy Settings

During operation, this script will need access to "System Events", an Accessibility application that can be controlled by AppleScript. Controlling "System Events" will enable the script to push buttons, click menu items and perform other interface-related actions—purely related to its essential operation only. When the script is launched for the first time an alert will ask you to change a setting in the *System Settings > Privacy & Security > Accessibility* panel. Click on the lock to enter your password to enable the list of apps. Then, put a checkmark in the checkbox next to this script in the list. Dismiss System Settings. You will most likely need to quit and re-launch the script.

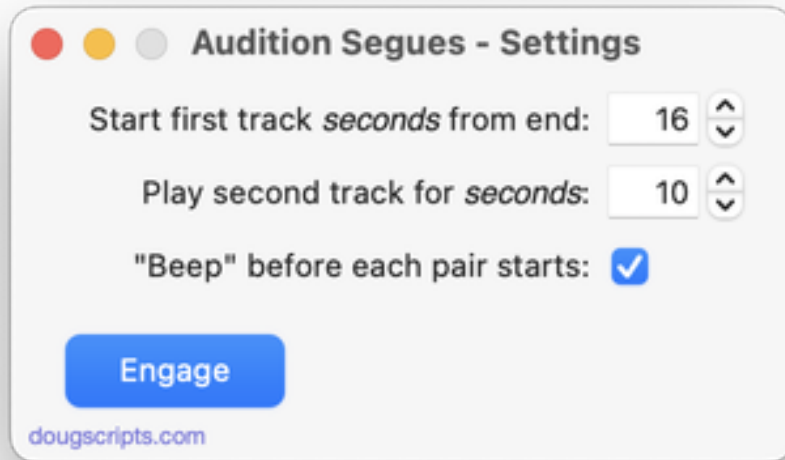
By the same token: because interface elements can change in future versions of the Music app, it is possible for the script to fail if expected interface elements have been rearranged or no longer exist.

See the online [Download FAQ](#) for more info and video on downloading and installing AppleScripts.

How to use:

FOR BEST RESULTS: The **Playing Next** queue in the Music app should be cleared. The script will attempt to take care of this itself when the "**Engage**" button is clicked.

Launch the script.



Adjust the settings:

- Enter the number of seconds to start playing from the end of a track and then how many seconds to play of the track that follows it.
- For convenience, a "beep" can be set to sound before each pair of tracks is played. I found this to be helpful in staying oriented.

Select a playlist and click the script's "Engage" button. This button's title will change to "Stop".

- **Audition Segues** will work best on tracks that have local files. **Tracks that must stream or download from the cloud** *may likely* upset the timing while their audio is being cached.
- **If you are using Music's "Crossfade Songs" feature**, be sure the script's "seconds from end" setting is large enough to cover the crossfade as set in *Settings > Playback*. Music's Crossfade seconds can range from 1 thru 12.

Each track in the playlist will play starting at the entered number of seconds from its end and then the next track will play for a number of seconds. Approximately 2 seconds will elapse before each pair is played.

To disengage the script before getting to the last track in the playlist, click on the "Stop" button. The currently playing song (if any) will finish playing and Music will stop.

To stop Music immediately, put a checkmark in the "...and stop Music" checkbox.

To dismiss the script, choose "Quit Audition Segues" from the script's Application menu or simply press **Command-Q**.

Helpful Links:

Information and download link for this script is located at:

<https://dougscripsts.com/itunes/scripts/ss.php?sp=mxauditionsegues>

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