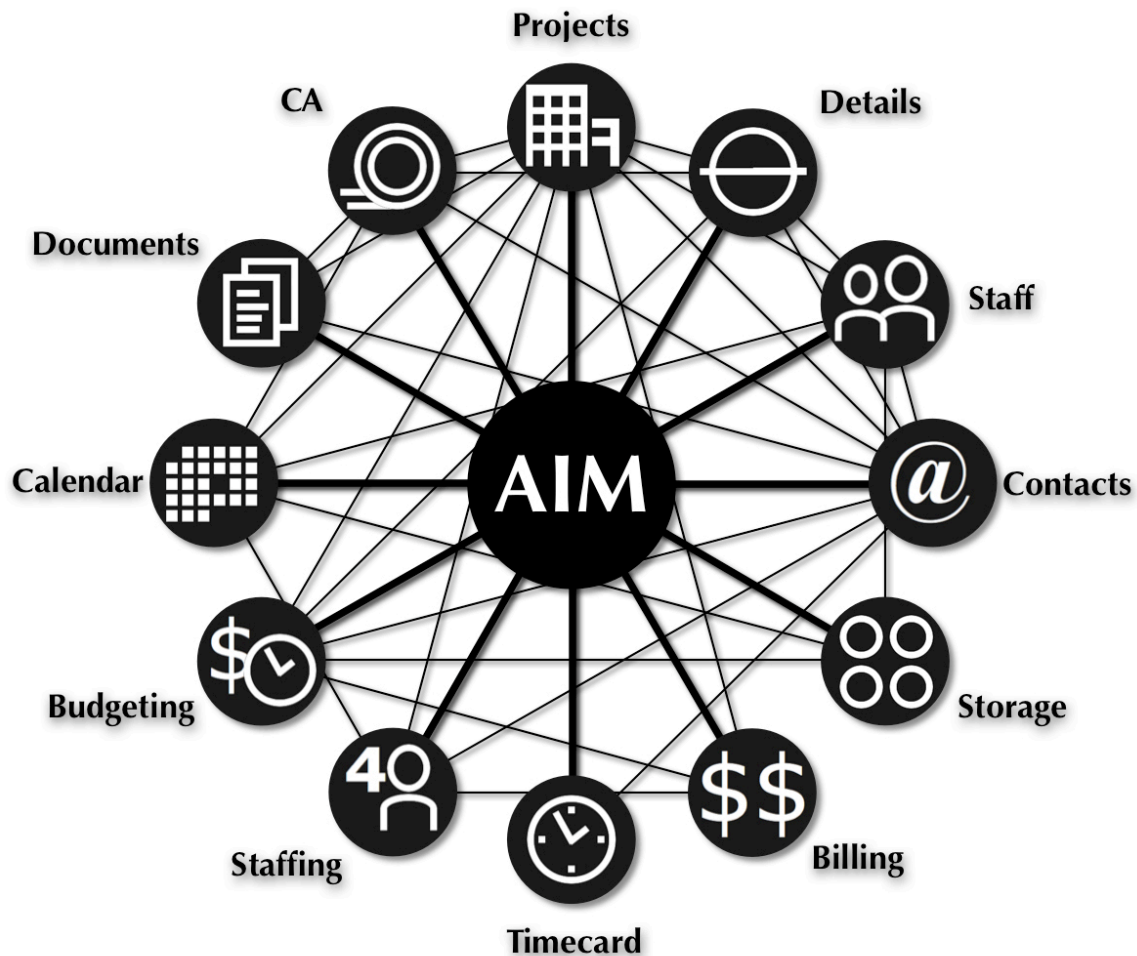


AIM

Architecture Information Manager

Demonstration Guide



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About This Guide

This documentation describes the demonstration version of the AIM system. It contains important information that you will need to operate the software. This guide is not intended for use with the purchased version of the AIM system.

Obtaining Support

If you need assistance or have questions regarding the demonstration version of the AIM system please contact Architectronica by sending email to barry@architectronica.com or by calling 310.245.8032.

AIM License Requirements

All components of the AIM system are copyrighted. Users pay a fee to license access to all or part of the AIM system. The AIM system remains the property of Barry Isakson, AIA/Architectronica and may not be copied or duplicated except in strict accordance with the license agreement. If you want to share the AIM demo with someone have them request a demo using the link at www.architectronica.com. When opening the AIM system you will be required to agree to the license agreement or you will not be able to use the AIM system.

Quick Start

Follow these steps to get right into the system.

1. Decompress the AIM_Demo.zip file. It will create an AIM_Demo folder on your hard drive.
2. Open the AIM_____Runtime file in the AIM_Runtime folder. Opening any of the other files may result in an error.
3. If you are prompted for a user name and password type "demo" and demo". The user name and password are case sensitive.
4. Open the AIM_User_Guide_Figures.pdf document. It contains some illustrative diagrams on how to use the AIM system. Also review the AIM_User_Guide for more detailed information.

About the AIM Demo

The demonstration version of the AIM system is a fully functioning version of the AIM system with a few key exceptions.

1. The AIM demo is intended for DEMONSTRATION PURPOSES ONLY. Do not count on keeping any of the data you enter into the system.
2. The AIM demo does not require a copy of FileMaker to run. The purchased version of the software requires FileMaker Pro (and FileMaker Pro Server in multi-user installations).
3. The AIM Demo is single-user only. It cannot be used by multiple users at the same time.
4. The AIM demo is time limited. It will expire after a period of time.
5. The AIM demo is not capable of performing file operations such as linking picture files unlike the purchased version, which has this capability.
6. The AIM demo will not support importing.
7. The Close Window command is not available in the Runtime version of AIM. Use the Hide All command in the Window menu instead.
8. The AIM demo includes a small set of sample data to help you better understand the system. You should not delete this data while reviewing the system.

System Requirements

The AIM Demo requires the Verdana Truetype font. If the text with the AIM system appears difficult to read, contact Architectronica.

Macintosh

Power Macintosh G3, G4 or G5 processor or Intel-based Macintosh computer.
256 MB RAM.
200 MB free hard disk space.
Mac OS 10.3.9 or higher with PowerPC processor.
Mac OS 10.4.5 or higher with PowerPC processor or Intel processor.

Windows

Pentium III 500Mhz or faster.
256 MB RAM.
200 MB free hard disk space.
CD or DVD drive.
Windows XP SP2, 2000 Professional SP4.
SVGA (800x600) or higher resolution video adapter and display.

Installation for Mac OS X (see below for Windows)

__Download the AIM Demo using the link for the Mac OS X version of the demo provided in the email you received from Architectronica.

__If your browser is set to automatically decompress archives, the AIM_Demo.zip file will be downloaded from the Architectronica web site and decompressed to creating an AIM_Demo folder in your preferred download location.

__If your browser did not automatically decompress the AIM_Demo.zip file, double-click on the AIM-Demo.zip file to decompress it. An AIM_Demo folder will be created.

__The AIM_Demo folder contains all the files for running the AIM demo. You can move the AIM_Demo folder anywhere you like, but do not move or rename any of the files within the AIM_Demo folder.

Installation for Windows (see above for Mac OS X)

__Download the AIM Demo using the link for the Windows version of the demo provided in the email you received from Architectronica.

__If your browser is set to automatically decompress archives, the AIM_Demo.zip file will be downloaded from the Architectronica web site and decompressed to creating an AIM_Demo folder in your preferred download location.

__If your browser did not automatically decompress the AIM_Demo.zip file, right-click on the AIM-Demo.zip file and select Extract All... from the pop-up menu. Save the AIM_Demo folder to your desktop.

__The AIM_Demo folder contains all the files for running the AIM demo. You can move the AIM_Demo folder anywhere you like, but do not move or rename any of the files within the AIM_Demo folder.

Opening the AIM Demo

__In the AIM_Demo folder locate the AIM____Runtime application icon. There may be an alias (Mac OS) or shortcut (Windows) in the AIM_Demo folder.

__Double-click on the AIM____Runtime icon. Do not open any of the other files in the AIM_Demo folder.

__Follow the instructions in the AIM User Guide for using the AIM system. However, the AIM demo has special passwords (see below).

AIM Demo Passwords

You will need to know a login name and a password to use the AIM demo.

Login Name: demo
Password: demo

Opening the AIM User Guide

In the AIM_Demo folder open the AIM_User_Guide.pdf file. On the Windows operating system this file requires Adobe Reader from Adobe Systems. You can download a free copy of Adobe Reader at www.adobe.com. On Mac OS X you can use the Preview application to open the file.

Refer to the AIM User Guide for more information on using the AIM system.

Sample Reports

Include with the AIM demo are some sample files. These include sample documents produced by the Documents module and reports produced by the Timecard module.

The sample documents are similar to those in the demo version of the documents module. The layouts that produce the documents can be customized in the commercial version of AIM.

The timecard reports are a selection of reports produced by the Timecard module. These reports will not be customizable in the first release of AIM. A future update will make all the reports customizable.

Sample Data

The AIM Demo includes sample data in most of the modules. The sample data will make evaluating the AIM system easier, and should not be deleted from the demo. If you inadvertently delete the sample data you can download the demo and start again. Below is some basic information on the data supplied in each module.

Projects

The Projects module contains a single sample project with the project number 99999.99. The project also has sample contacts under the Team/Contacts tab.

Staff

The staff module has a few sample staff records.

Contacts

The contacts module has about a dozen sample contacts that are used in the Projects and Documents module.

Documents

The Documents module has at least one sample document for each of the basic document types in the system.

Timecard

The Timecard module very little sample data. Create a few time and expense entries.