## **Deploying macros**

Now you have written your groundbreaking macro... but: how to make Titan aware of it and use it?

All you need to do is

- copy the macro file to your usermacro location
- restart Titan macro files are only read upon software start
- after the software has come back on again you may open the show library (or select <Macro> [View All]) - here you'll find your new macro in the Unassigned section.
- you may also find your macro by searching it: <Macro> [Run], and type in the first letter of your macro's name.
- if you need to call your macro more frequently, you may copy it to almost any handle you might find suitable (buttons, keys, ...)

## **Debugging macros**

Unfortunately there is not much you can do in terms of debugging a macro. However, at some point you might want to get accustomed to using the Log Viewer Pro which is installed together with the PC suite:



This opens as a mostly empty window. You need to select 'Open Folders' from the File menu.



For a quick check you can just use the default options ('This Machine', all options checked, 'most Recent'), and hit 0k. This opens a list of the most recent events which have been logged. At least it is worth a try to check if there are entries e.g. referring to scripting errors, like this one (hint: sort by date/time):



This error says **Can't set property - A property with the id** (Playbacks.Editor.Times.ChaseSpeed) does not exist! Did you forget to register the property? - and indeed this property which was present in Titan 9.1 is not available in Titan 10.1, see Chase - Double speed

## Altering macros when used in a show

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I tend to think you need to delete the handle and re-copy it, or something similar, in order to take over any changes.

## further readings

- Introduction to macros
- Console and simulator how actions on the consoles are described
- Recorded vs. coded macros both kinds: Country, AND Western
- Macro file format what to observe when creating macro files
- Macro Folders where exactly are the macro files stored
- Deploying macros how to import a macro file into Titan
- XML format a veeeery basic introduction into the format macro files are written in
- The Syntax of Functions understanding how functions are described in general
- Control Structures conditions and other means to control the flow
- Action and Menus when a menu needs to be toggled in addition to the action
- Step Pause a little delay might sometimes be helpful
- Active Binding highlighting a macro handle as active
- Namespaces a way to keep order of the functions, properties and other stuff

- Datatypes numbers, words, yes & no: the various types of values
- Properties list the affected system variables of Titan
- Function list the functions mentioned in this wiki
- Examples list all the contributed macros. And where is yours?

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