

Web AIM API

Build AIM-enabled Web Applications

The Web AIM® API lets developers integrate virtually any web application with AIM®. Ideal for social networking, music, video, dating, blogging, and e-commerce applications, you can enable your users to discover and share online experiences with their Buddies in new and innovative ways. Authenticate users, send and receive instant messages, share presence and status info, and display expressions, all within your website.

API Benefits:

- Personalize services and encourage interaction
- Enable communications and discovery
- · Share users' online status and buddy profile info
- · Build on a proven, scalable platform

Personalize your website with Web AIM

- Social Networks
- Music
- Video
- Dating
- Gaming
- · e-Commerce
- Blogs

Get Started Quickly with AIM Whimsicals

To integrate Web AIM into your web app, you can use Web AIM's flexible JSON and URL-based APIs directly or try the straightforward AIM® Whimsicals™. AIM Whimsicals are pre-made widgets you can embed into your web pages that solve for some of the most common Web AIM API integrations. Simply put an IM, Buddly List, or Presence widget in your application and customize its appearance for your environment.



Community and Authentication using Web AIM

In this example, collaborative short story writing site Ficlets uses Creative Commons-licensed photos from Flickr as inspiration for stories and Web AIM to authenticate and enable interaction from AIM users.

Web AIM enables seamless integration of AIM functionality into the application.

Simple Sign Up

All you need to get started is an AIM screen name and a developer key. With your screen name, you can register the URL where your application will be hosted so you can begin developing on the Web AIM API. Visit dev.aol.com/webaim to register and to access AIM Whimsicals, code samples, reference information, and the Open AIM developer forums.

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AIM Whimscals

Integrate Your Site with AIM in 3 Easy Steps

To personalize your website with real-time communication and status, embed one of the Presence, IM, or Buddy AIM Whimsicals that we've built or build your own! Get AIM Whimsicals at dev.aol.com/webaim.

Add the Presence Widget to Your Site

This code:

<head>

<script type="text/javascript" src="http://o.aolcdn.com/aim/web-</pre> aim/aimapi.js"></script>

<script type="text/javascript" src="http://o.aolcdn.com/aim/web-</pre> aim/presenceWidget/multipresence.js"></script>

<script type="text/javascript">AIM.params.wimKey = "key";</script> </head>

<body>

- 2 < div class="AIMPresenceWidget chattingchuck"></div>
- 2 < div class="AIMPresenceWidget alexiwhite"></div> </body>

Register for a Web AIM key at dev.aol.com/webaim

> Registering is fast and easy. And your Web AIM key can be used with our Presence, IM, and Buddy List APIs, making implementation even faster.

Specify the screen name to display presence for

Want to have multiple widgets on a page? Not a problem!

Gets you these widgets:





Include the Web AIM Javascript on your page

> Yep. This is all of it. Just a few lines of code ready to be dropped into your page and you're off and running.

AIM WIMZI

Add Anonymous Chat to Your Site

Get an AIM® WIMZI™ widget for your blog, social networking pages or any other website! By adding AIM WIMZI to your site, you'll allow anyone visiting your site to chat with you when you're online with AIM, while keeping your AIM screen name private.

All you need is an AIM screen name to get started. Go to wimzi.com, select the style and options you want, and we'll make the code for you to embed on your site.

