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Setting up Apple QMaster for Faster Transcoding and Compression

Qmaster is a background application that tells the computer how many processors to use when encoding in Compressor.

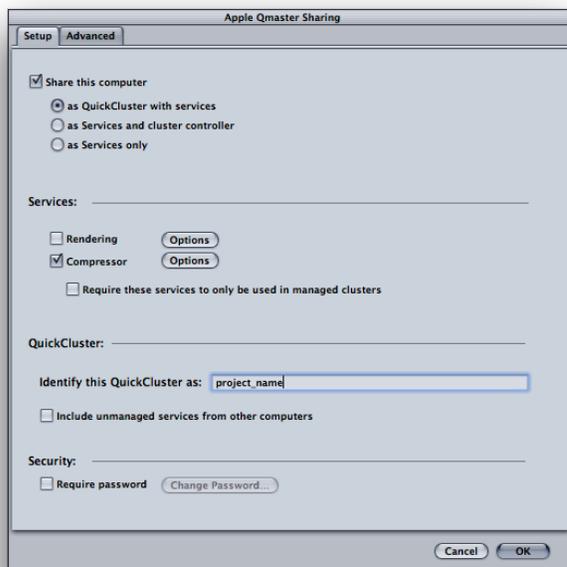
This document covers how to set up Qmaster for Apple's Compressor, versions 3 and 4.

Setting Up Qmaster for Apple's Compressor 4

Launch **Compressor 4**.

From the **Apple Qmaster** menu, choose **Share This Computer**.

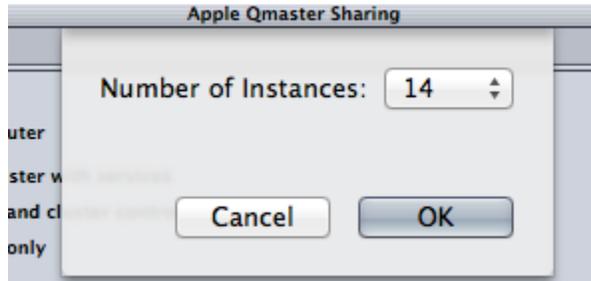
The **Apple Qmaster Sharing** window will appear. Select the **Setup** pane.



Check the button adjacent to **Share this computer as** and **select** as **QuickCluster with services**.

In the **Services** select **Compressor** and choose **options**.

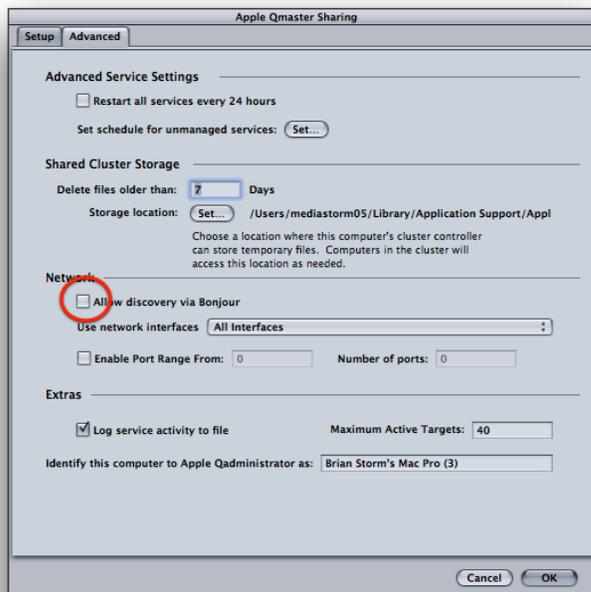
In the pop up menu choose the **Number of Instances**, or processors, you'd like to use for your compression.



Note: The more processors you use for your compression, the less responsive your computer will be for other tasks, like editing.

In the **Identify this QuickCluster as** window box, enter the name of your project.

In the **Advanced** tab of the Apple Qmaster Sharing, make sure the **Allow discovery via Bonjour** box is **not** selected.



Click **OK**.

To start using Qmaster with Apple's Compressor, see the additional compression and transcoding documents on MediasStorm's Resources page: <http://mediastorm.com/train/resources>

Setting Up Qmaster for Apple's Compressor 3

Open **System Preferences**, located in the left-hand menu beneath the apple icon.



Select **Qmaster**.

If you receive the message that Qmaster must stop and reopen, click **OK**.



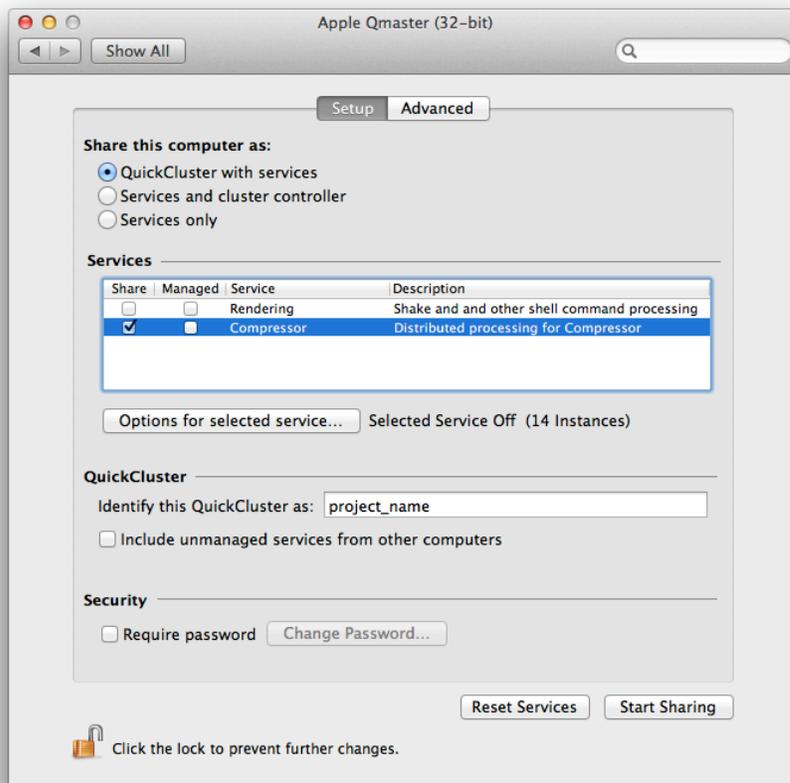
The Qmaster Preference Pane

If Qmaster is already running, press the **Stop Sharing** button at the bottom right of the **Qmaster** preference pane.

At the top of the window, select the **Setup** button.

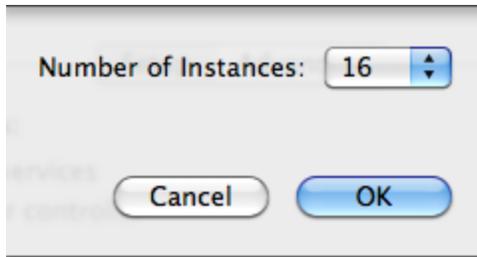
From the **Share this computer as** option select **QuickCluster with services**.

In the **Services** menu select **Share** option adjacent to Compressor.



Select **Options for Selected Services**.

In the pop up menu choose the **Number of Instances**, or processors, you'd like to use for your compression.

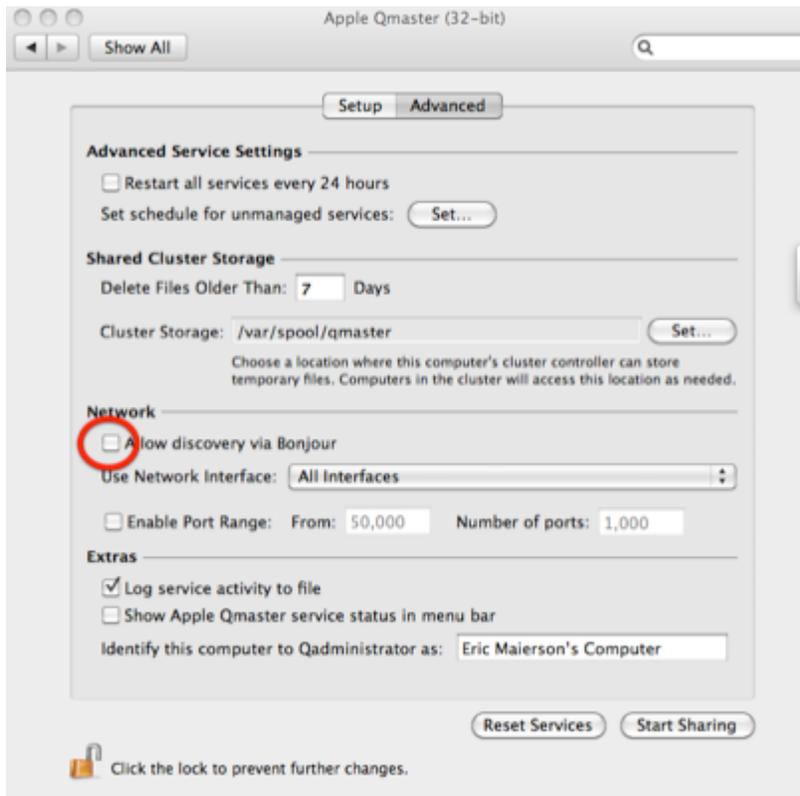


Note: If this above menu does not appear, deselect the **Share** button then select it again.

Also, the more processors you use for your compression, the less responsive your computer will be for other tasks, like editing.

In the **Identify this QuickCluster as** window box, enter the name of your project.

In the **Advanced** tab of the Qmaster preference, make sure the **Allow discovery via Bonjour** box is **not** selected.



Select **Start Sharing**.

Quit **System Preferences** (command-Q).

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