
few problems while applying skins

Posted by Elena - 2006/12/10 05:40

I have couple of questions to ask.
I am afraid they are really stupid and I should have figured it out myself, but please help me :blush:

I just found out about Rainlendar from my friend and this was exactly what I was looking for!
Thank you! Rainy!

anyway, I installed it and surfed the net for some skins.
I came across so many neat and wonderful skins and downloaded many.

but I failed to apply many of them.
All of them are old skins using .ini files.
I unzipped the files and made sure that I have no extra folders between the rainlendar's skin folder and the subfolder.
All ini-files are directly below and the first thing the skin-folder.
I have refreshed, restarted the program, and re-booted the computer but I only see some of the skins.
I checked the Rainlendar's log file for errors but there's nothing particular.

screenshot

any idea why only some skins are installed and not other?

Also, although I was able to install moshi's Rewind skin, it's not properly displayed.
I have a problem with the skin's clock and it seems like the digits for the clock is a picture file and the skin is suppose to display only part of the picture that represent the time but fails and just display the whole picture itself.
I believe this is same with the vertical calender skin and the pic file for the days are not displaying properly.

Also, for the to-do list, the line that separates each item is not displaying correctly.
It's suppose to go UNDERNEATH each item but instead gets overlapped by the text.
This problem repeats whenever i use a skin that uses a line as a separator.
but whenever I use a skin that uses a Bullet, it displays fine.

screenshot of digitclock & vert. calender & to-do item separator line problems
(rainlendar with blue background is what it should be like,
rainlendar with black background is mine)

I tried v.2.0.1 and beta v.29 but it's not working for both versions.

sorry for so many questions. hope someone can help me though! :)

Post edited by: Elena, at: 2006/12/10 06:10

Re:few problems while applying skins

Posted by Rainy - 2006/12/10 10:02

I'm not sure why the skins are not working. I tried the Asamov and Shine and both were shown in the list. Could you run Rainlendar with --debug command line argument and send the log file to me (make sure you open the Options dialog when the debug log is active)? I can take a look if there is something that might explain the problem.

The problems with the rewind clock, horizontal calendar and todo separator images will be fixed in the next build.

Re:few problems while applying skins

Posted by Elena - 2006/12/10 14:31

I'm kinda reluctant to ask since it will reveal my stupidity yet again but...

I have no idea how to run Rainlendar with --debug command line argument!
please explain how to do it and I will gladly send the log file.
Also, how do I make sure I open the Options dialog when the debug log is active?

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Re:few problems while applying skins

Posted by he_the_great - 2006/12/10 14:55

I'm going to guess Windows.

Browse to the Rainlendar2 directory. Right-click and create a shortcut to rainlendar2.exe Right-click and go to the properties of new shortcut. On the first line that says target, edit before the last quote, adding --debug. Now use the shortcut to run Rainlendar. I don't think you to run the options dialog to get the info rainy needs.

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Re:few problems while applying skins

Posted by Rainy - 2006/12/10 14:58

Yes, just open the options dialog and click on the Skins-button. That should output the necessary log entries.

The log will be written to C:/Documents and Settings/<yourname>/rainlendar2/rainlendar2.log

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Re:few problems while applying skins

Posted by Elena - 2006/12/10 16:04

I tried exactly what he_the_great said but it's simply not working...
I am using window XP and I made shortcut and tried to edit the target line by adding --debug command...

(screenshot: http://elena.byus.net/rainlendar/rl_skin3.jpg)

I really feel stupid now :(

and for the other problems I posted above...
I just downloaded build 30 and
vert. calendar and digi-clock works fine now.
the line separater also works fine for to-do list
but I've noticed there's skin out there that also uses a line as separater for event list.
(Ex: Modern Industria Mod)
and the lines in the event list is still overlapped by the text.
I don't know if this is a skin problem or the rainlendar itself but since you fix it for the to-do list, I'm assuming you can do
same for the event list...

(screenshot: http://elena.byus.net/rainlendar/rl_skin4.jpg)

Thanks!

Post edited by: Elena, at: 2006/12/10 16:07

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FIXED!

Posted by Elena - 2006/12/12 20:05

Problem fixed! XD
It's loading all skins now.

The problem was that some skin's ini-file contained non-ascii character and it didn't load.

For example,

Asamov skin and Shine skin had

Name=Nylons - visionleague™
and ™ caused the problem

Clear skin had

Name=jidé - Julien De Luca - www.jide.fr
and é wasn't loading...

rc notes skin had

MonthNames=janeiro/fevereiro/março/abril/maio/junho/julho/agosto/setembro/outubro/novembro/dezembro

março as it's month name and I believe the author just translated his skin from Portugues one and didn't bother to change...

So I just removed every non-ascii character and it's working fine.

I guess from now on, whenever I download new skin and if it's not working, I will just check for this problem.

Thanks, Rainy! :laugh:

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Re:FIXED!

Posted by natasha - 2006/12/14 09:07

Thanks, Elena, for posting your problem & solution so clearly - this will help me as well, to port my favorite skin over to rainlendar2...

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