
Need help to modify a skin

Posted by Brag0n - 2010/09/28 16:50

Hi

Lately I've been sitting and trying to modify an already great skin named "MoreStyle" by precapice. I really do like this skin the best, as it looks great on my tv when modified a bit (1920x1080) HOWEVER!..

I've been pulling my hair out to make one modification.

While not having an event occur "today" the size of todays date is shown as large and orange. But if I do have an event that occurs "today" the size does not change and the color stays blue.

What I would like though, is to have "todays" date to ALWAYS be large, but it would be nice to have it change color from orange(date without event) to blue when an event is on the same date as today..

my so far modified script is located below

An answer/suggestion, or help in general would be more than welcome! :blush:

<http://www.rainlendar.net/cms/images/fbfiles/files/MoreStyle.ini>

http://www.rainlendar.net/cms/images/fbfiles/images/As_i_want_it_to_react.PNG

Re: Need help to modify a skin

Posted by Jorge_Luis - 2010/09/28 17:36

It looks similar to the "Horizontal Line Calendar" in Shadow4 skin. Did you try that? (The skin with ini files are old now) <http://www.rainlendar.net/cms/images/fbfiles/images/hcalendar.jpg>

Re: Need help to modify a skin

Posted by Brag0n - 2010/09/28 18:37

Tried it.

Doesn't look as good in 1920x1080 resolution.

Since I have to scale it up, it ends up looking blurry and plain ugly. ;S

Therefore I am looking a way to modify the one above..

Re: Need help to modify a skin

Posted by Rainy - 2010/09/29 11:05

Hmmm... I don't think that's possible at the moment since there is no separate appearance for today with events. I can add it but you would have to convert the skin to the xml format since the old ini-format exists only for backwards compatibility reasons.

Re: Need help to modify a skin

Posted by Brag0n - 2010/09/29 11:34

Would that be something you could do Rainy?

I've never done it myself, and just recently started to modify this skin a bit. And if you don't have time to do it, I could try to do it myself if you sent me an URL to a page with some instructions.. or anything like that :)

Re:Need help to modify a skin

Posted by anoob - 2010/09/29 12:46

I have trying to check your skin, and find the issue:

DaysIgnoreToday

0 = Draw a day for today

1 = Do not draw a day for today

DaysIgnoreEvent

0 = Draw a day for event days

1 = Do not draw a day for event days

I hope this helps.

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Re:Need help to modify a skin

Posted by Brag0n - 2010/09/29 13:15

Sorry anoob

That isn't of too much help ;) Already something we knew.

The person that might be of help atm would be Rainy. :) OR someone else with the know-how and understanding of the problem.

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Re:Need help to modify a skin

Posted by Jorge_Luis - 2010/09/29 22:21

OBSOLETE FILES. New info below.

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Re:Need help to modify a skin

Posted by Jorge_Luis - 2010/09/29 22:48

I modify the Horizontal Calendar, as you can see in the image:

<http://www.rainlendar.net/cms/images/fbfiles/images/calendariah-ae67eb6cd94c53d6ba09870e6223153b.JPG>

My screen resolution is 1024x768, so i can't say if it will work ok. The file "horizontal line calendar.xml" is zipped. You need to replace that same file inside Shadow4.r2skin/xml (make a copy first. The r2skin is a zip file)

So far, i can resize the spacing between days (i couldn't before), but now i can't remove the event icons.

http://www.rainlendar.net/cms/images/fbfiles/files/horizontal_line_calendar-cf5226aedb77bb40795093faddea889f.zip

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Re:Need help to modify a skin

Posted by Brag0n - 2010/09/30 04:58

Nice!

This I'm going to check out.. But I'd still love to see what Rainy could manage to do about this ;D

tested

Interesting try Jorge_Luis!.. However, it didn't turn out too good. ;S

(Even after i tried to modify it a bit) http://www.rainlendar.net/cms/images/fbfiles/images/jorge_luis_tryout.PNG

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Re:Need help to modify a skin

Posted by Jorge_Luis - 2010/09/30 09:13

Still looks blurry?

I made a v2... i hope this time works better...

I'd the same problem. Here are the tips to "fix" that:

Go to Right click -> Skins -> Active Skins -> Horizontal Line Calendar -> Options.

Month_year_font: font size of month and year text.

Small_font: font size for day numbers.

Large_font: font size for weekdays names.

Calendar_width: window width.

Calendar_height: window height.

Calendar_dayheight: "weekday/day" height.

Looking at the image, these are the steps:

- 1) Changes the font sizes until they have the size you want.
- 2) To change the spacing between days numbers change the window width.
- 3) Then, to change the spacing between weekdays and days change the Calendar_dayheight.
- 4) If month and year disappear, change the Calendar_height value.

I think that if you do this, you can set the font sizes to values that in your resolution are good, because you're changing the size, not the "zoom" scale.

NOTE: If the year is too far apart from month, change the x="1000r" to a less value.

http://www.rainlendar.net/cms/images/fbfiles/files/HLCalendar_v2.zip

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Re:Need help to modify a skin

Posted by Brag0n - 2010/09/30 13:38

Wow Jorge_Luis!

That's almost perfect!

Only thing missing now, is:

1. to have the "todays date" color up as orange text.
2. have text size of "todays date" become a bit larger.
(somewhere between the size of year/month and day/date)
3. change color of days with event. (blue instead of green etc.)

4. Bold text on year, month & day names.
(to see if more equal to the "morestyle" skin)

That would be awesome! <http://www.rainlendar.net/cms/images/fbfiles/images/bestsofar2.PNG>

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Re:Need help to modify a skin

Posted by Jorge_Luis - 2010/09/30 18:15

New version (bah!, its nearly the same)

1. Today date with orange color (its a rgb color, so, if isn't the "orange" you want, you can change it)
2. Font variables names changed. Added "Today fontsize".
3. This is what you said to Rainy, no? If today there are none events show orange, if there is an event show blue?
(Rainy... we need you help here in that case)
4. Year, month and day names in bold (added weight="BOLD")

Well... if still not happy... c'mon... i'm doing this free heh, heh :laugh: :)

http://www.rainlendar.net/cms/images/fbfiles/files/HLcalendar_V3.zip

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Re:Need help to modify a skin

Posted by Brag0n - 2010/09/30 18:42

Friggin' amazing Jorge_Luis!

Only 1 more thing I can manage to think about.. Which I don't know if would look better or not. To have todays date font in bold. What do you think?

I have a great idea for an event window as well if you're interested. ;D

<http://www.rainlendar.net/cms/images/fbfiles/images/event.PNG>

An event list with the same kind of text as the calendar :)

And to top it all.. a digital clock to add to the whole shabang..

Then I would at least suggest you make it a skin package! ;D

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Re:Need help to modify a skin

Posted by Jorge_Luis - 2010/09/30 21:33

MoreStyle Mod... in a Skin Package ;) :silly:

Moving to a skin package i delete the icons, so there's none icon in the calendar view. I'm not sure if the font size options can be setted locally and not globally. I tried it but doesn't work. :dry: :huh:

I'm over... i think that looking some things on the code you can make new windows. I'm not a skin maker, just someone who loves edit and adapt source codes :P (you can't see it, but now i'm using Firefox).

Hope you enjoy it!

B) B) B) http://www.rainlendar.net/cms/images/fbfiles/files/MoreStyle_Mod.zip

<http://www.rainlendar.net/cms/images/fbfiles/images/screenshot-c7b9dec1dd39d8bb8edc7c1455f2b6a3.png>

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Re:Need help to modify a skin

Posted by Brag0n - 2010/10/01 05:13

Only a few last fixes and all is perfect!

I'll start of with the calendar... man its near perfect!

1. Bold text of weekday names

2. Same postion of year (as it was in the shadow 4 mod)

http://www.rainlendar.net/cms/images/fbfiles/images/mod_calendar.PNG

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Re:Need help to modify a skin

Posted by Brag0n - 2010/10/01 05:16

Then here comes the part that need a fix for the event window.

1. Need to be able to set the width(and maybe the height as well?)

Other than that PERFECT! http://www.rainlendar.net/cms/images/fbfiles/images/mod_event.PNG

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Re:Need help to modify a skin

Posted by Brag0n - 2010/10/01 05:18

And here is the last suggested fix.
Be able to set the color of the digital clock. (would like to have the option of white)
And MAYBE it would look better if not in bold text.. Difficult to know for sure..
http://www.rainlendar.net/cms/images/fbfiles/images/mod_clock.PNG
I've been using the statica clock for a while now, and it looks great when slightly ethereal.

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Re:Need help to modify a skin

Posted by Jorge_Luis - 2010/10/01 12:39

CALENDAR:

1. Bold text of weekday names
 2. Same position of year (as it was in the shadow 4 mod)
 - (1) Bold, check.
 - (2) Month and year are now related to window size.
 - (3) dayheight variable remove. All spacing are now related to window size.
- Only change window width and height (after changing font sizes) and everything will look perfect.

EVENT LIST:

1. Need to be able to set the width (and maybe the height as well?)
 - (1) These options already exists. (look under "local variables")

CLOCK:

1. Be able to set the color of the digital clock. (would like to have the option of white)
2. And MAYBE it would look better if not in bold text..
 - (1) Options -> White, Red, Blue... Alpha White (more transparent), Alpha Red, Alpha Blue
 - (2) Not bold, check.

When you change window options (right click -> skin -> active skins -> options) you can see global options ("font sizes") and local options ("colors", "width", "height")

If you have more suggestions (i hope not :woohoo:), send me a private message (my email is on the skin) and i will update the skin here. (I think that this chat could be bother to someone else, right here in the forum)
http://www.rainlendar.net/cms/images/fbfiles/files/MoreStyle_Mod_v1.zip

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Re:Need help to modify a skin

Posted by Brag0n - 2010/10/01 13:34

Didn't find your e-mail anywhere on the skin Jorge_Luis..
And there are 2-3 small errors in the skin, that needs fixing .. everything else seems ok.

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Re:Need help to modify a skin

Posted by Brag0n - 2010/10/01 13:46

Something strange happened to the calendar after the new version.
Tried everything to fix it, but it keeps cutting the lower part. *confused*
http://www.rainlendar.net/cms/images/fbfiles/images/mod_calendar_mistake.PNG

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Re:Need help to modify a skin

Posted by Brag0n - 2010/10/01 13:50

Second thing that needs a fix, is the event window..
Weird thing that I just noticed..
Better if you see for yourself.

Notice how todays event is grey and tomorrow isn't .. I just thought it strange.. If it's and easy fix.. It would look best with the same color on the event text. http://www.rainlendar.net/cms/images/fbfiles/images/mod_event_mistake.PNG

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Re:Need help to modify a skin

Posted by Jorge_Luis - 2010/10/02 08:30

FINAL VERSION.

- Horizontal Line Calendar
- Event List
- Digital Clock

with custom font sizes and colors.

Enjoy!

http://www.rainlendar.net/cms/images/fbfiles/files/MoreStyle_Mod_v1-0125102f8b6e246fe22fb53e2e174beb.zip

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Re:Need help to modify a skin

Posted by house - 2010/12/22 20:16

> anoob

would you tell me where can i find the skin with lunar date in the your singature filed!

thanks a lot.

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Re:Need help to modify a skin

Posted by anoob - 2010/12/23 01:44

to house:

This skin was written by me and haytcb, purely for personal use, there is no published yet.
Please contact me if interested: jhg5702@gmail.com

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