
Unable to load new skins

Posted by Methos - 2006/11/02 13:53

I'm trying to install the Black Panther skin and can't get it to work. Here's what I've tried so far.

First, I downloaded the .zip into the skins directory and then extracted it into the ...skins\BlackPanther2-1\Black Panther folder. That didn't work.

Second, I extracted the skin files directly into the skins folder, and that didn't work.

Checking the forums I came across this thread. So following the suggestion I refreshed RL and it still wouldn't show up. I even closed the program down and restarted it and that didn't work either.

Under Options-Skins the only available skin is Shadow4.

So my question is, what am I doing wrong and how do I load this, or any, skin? Thanks in advance for any help.

BTW, I am using v2.0 (b25).

Post edited by: Methos, at: 2006/11/02 13:54

Re:Unable to load new skins

Posted by he_the_great - 2006/11/02 14:47

I have the Black Panther directory that is contained in the zip file, in my rainlendar2 directory. with a refresh of the calendar it shows up in the skins listing. Though the skin shows up with a transparent background instead of black.

Re:Unable to load new skins

Posted by Methos - 2006/11/02 14:52

Do you have it in the Black Panther 2-1 folder, or its Black Panther subfolder, as in:

skins \ Black Panther 2-1

or

skins \ Black Panther 2-1 \ Black Panther

Re:Unable to load new skins

Posted by he_the_great - 2006/11/02 20:17

My location is just Black Panther, /usr/local/share/rainlendar2/skins/Black Panther/

It's directory listing is this:

Anniversaryw.png, event_deX1.png, Links.png, Standardw.png,
Aufgabenbutton.png, ExitIcon.png, messageX1.png, Terminocon.png,
AufgabenIcon.png, Heute.png, Outlook.png, Thumbs.db,
bgX1.png, heuteRingW1.png, Personalw.png, todo_dex1.png,
Birthdayw.png, HolidayW.png, PhoneW.png,
Black.ini, ImportantW.png, Rechts.png

You must have the Black.ini as the first thing in the subdirectory of skins. I don't know where the 2-1 folder is coming from, but it does not need to be there.

Post edited by: he_the_great, at: 2006/11/02 20:18

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Re:Unable to load new skins

Posted by Methos - 2006/11/02 23:11

he_the_great wrote:

My location is just Black Panther, /usr/local/share/rainlendar2/skins/Black Panther/

That was the problem. Thanks, I can see it in Options-Skin now. Thank you.

Post edited by: Methos, at: 2006/11/02 23:16

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Re:Unable to load new skins

Posted by YSL - 2006/11/03 17:55

Some of my skins won't show up! And I haven't done any different.

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Re:Unable to load new skins

Posted by he_the_great - 2006/11/03 20:39

umm, can't really help with that info. What skins?

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Re:Unable to load new skins

Posted by george_v_reilly - 2006/11/04 01:30

I've tried installing several skins. None of them work. Here's an excerpt from `~/config/rainlendar/rainlendar.log`:

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21:13:13: Reading skin /home/georger/rainlendar2/skins/Vista1-0.r2skin
21:13:13: ERROR: Unable to open skin.xml from file: /home/georger/rainlendar2/skins/Vista1-0.r2skin
21:13:13: WARNING: Loading the skin Vista1-0 failed.
21:13:13: Reading skin /home/georger/rainlendar2/skins/IceAngelforRainlendar1-0.r2skin
21:13:13: ERROR: Unable to open skin.xml from file: /home/georger/rainlendar2/skins/IceAngelforRainlendar1-0.r2skin
21:13:13: WARNING: Loading the skin IceAngelforRainlendar1-0 failed.
21:13:13: Reading skin /home/georger/rainlendar2/skins/Lucid1-2.r2skin
21:13:13: ERROR: Unable to open skin.xml from file: /home/georger/rainlendar2/skins/Lucid1-2.r2skin
21:13:13: WARNING: Loading the skin Lucid1-2 failed.
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I unzip'd all three skins and indeed none of them have a skin.xml. I looked at the one in Shadow4 and it's obviously specific to that skin.

BTW, why do all of the skins on Customize.org have a .zip extension instead of a .r2skin extension?

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Re:Unable to load new skins

Posted by he_the_great - 2006/11/04 02:21

Rainlendar 2 uses a new skinning format. The older skins were edited with ini files, R2 uses xml. If your going to use the old skins you must unzip(might be able to leave it as a zip) the skin in there own folder under rainlendar2/skins/. If you take the old skin and change the .zip to .r2skin it thinks it is an r2 skin and looks for the skin.xml file.

Post edited by: he_the_great, at: 2006/11/04 02:24

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