laptop + cleartype + rainlendar = blurry
Posted by xzk - 2006/11/19 16:25

I installed Rainlendar v2.0 (b25) on my laptop, with cleartype turned off - my Rainlendar looks just like the screenshots on the main page of Rainlendar.com - Readable. But when I turn cleartype on, it makes my rainlendar blurry and difficult to read. Kind of strange.. all the other text in WindowsXP looks better with cleartype turned on - Rainlendar looks waaay worse!
I can't figure out whats going on or why. Does anybody have an idea what the deal is?

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Posted by xzk - 2006/11/19 16:30

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screenshot

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this forum is pissing me off..
try this one more time! http://www.rainlendar.net/cms/components/com_joomlaboard/uploaded/images/blurry_rainlendar-837a85bfe359de19c6fd9bec33659355.JPG

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Posted by Rainy - 2006/11/21 06:17

The problem is that Windows isn't able to draw the text onto a 32-bit surface so I have to do the drawing of the alpha mask and the actual text separately. This will change all pixels to the destination color and the text will look blurry. I'll have to see if it's possible to disable the cleartype in Rainlendar.

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Re:laptop + cleartype + rainlendar = blurry
Posted by SinRG - 2006/11/23 05:55

If you can't disable cleartype, the simplest way would be for us to change the fonts and font sizes ourselves to suit our preference. How do we change the font and their size?

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Re:laptop + cleartype + rainlendar = blurry
Posted by Rainy - 2006/11/23 14:56

You would have to edit the skin. The fonts are defined in the elements.xml file (unzip the skin).

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Re:laptop + cleartype + rainlendar = blurry
Posted by SinRG - 2006/11/24 18:13

I've tried setting a new font, and I've reset the skin, calendars and all and refreshed RL but the font still doesn't change from the blurry text to my pixel font.

I've attached the skin file, please have a look at what I'm doing wrong.
I've only changed the elements.xml

Edit: Skin file too big... maybe you should increase the upload size to 500k or so... anyways, here's the element.xml instead

Post edited by: SinRG, at: 2006/11/24 18:15

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Posted by SinRG - 2006/11/24 18:18

Jeezus... can't upload xml files...
here it is in zip format.

http://www.rainlendar.net/cms/components/com_joomlaboard/uploaded/files/SinRG_Elements.zip

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Posted by SinRG - 2006/11/24 18:20

Hmmm, restarting my comp did the trick, maybe I just had to restart RL.
Thank you!

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Posted by xzk - 2006/11/25 20:06

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sinrg:
what font did you get to work for you? I changed mine from Arial to Tahoma, but it's still kind of blurry

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Posted by SinRG - 2006/11/26 07:11

I just went to www.dafont.com and looked at the pixel, bitmap fonts

I went with Haxrcorp S8
It's a liittle small, but it's clear.
You could go for Haxrcorp S12 if you wanted it bigger.
Anyways, there's too many to choose from so it's up to your preference.

Hope that helps, xzk

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