
Displaying an Image

Posted by Franciscoec - 2009/04/08 03:45

This is a particularly noobish question, I've tried reading the manual but I thought it would be quicker to ask it here.

How do you display an image?

I need to do this because CD Art Display sits in my Rainmeter sidebar, and when I'm not listening to music there's a huge hole there. So I thought I'd display an image of CAD in place of the actual thing.

Thanks in advance for the help.

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Posted by btodoroff - 2009/04/08 16:54

Please see the manual under the image meter.

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Posted by Franciscoec - 2009/04/08 17:00

Keep in mind that I have little past experience in Rainmeter code.

I have this:

ImageName=C:\Program Files\Rainmeter\Skins\Dynamic\CAD.pngBut launching it gives the error message Section is not a meter or a measure.

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Posted by btodoroff - 2009/04/08 17:03

See <http://code.google.com/p/rainmeter/wiki/Examples> for examples

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Posted by Franciscoec - 2009/04/08 17:12

You're making it hard for me....

Anyway from my understanding this is what I've written.

Meter=IMAGE

ImageName=C:\Program Files\Rainmeter\Skins\Dynamic\CAD.png

It doesn't need to be bound to a measure (I think). But the error message still appears.

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Posted by btodoroff - 2009/04/08 19:22

Sorry to be a pain, but I want people to use the docs and wiki first so that we find holes and errors in both.

Meter=IMAGE

ImageName=C:\Program Files\Untitled.png

This worked fine for me with just the three lines in an .ini file in the skins/Arcs directory. I then enabled it from the right click context menu. Tried messing with the white space, but still could not get it to fail. Check your Rainmeter.ini to make sure the error is not coming from there.

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Posted by Franciscoec - 2009/04/08 21:38

It's weird, no error message now, even though I didn't change the code. But it still doesn't display the image. I've checked transparency, position and the image doesn't blend into my wallpaper.

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Posted by GhostMatrix - 2009/04/09 11:40

Even if the meter image don't need to be bound to a measure, you can make one to be useful for your skin. My suggestion for your case is to have the following code in your skin (see below...), if cad is "off" it will show your image, and if cad is "on" it will hide your image, so your image will be not in the way of the display of cad. And on a final note, if your cad image is in the Rainmeter skin folder that you made, you don't need to put the full path of the image, but only the name of the image will do !

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Measure=Plugin
Plugin=Plugins\ResMon.dll
ResCountType=HANDLE
ProcessName=CAD.exe
IfEqualValue=0
IfEqualAction=!execute
IfAboveValue=0
IfAboveAction=!execute
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Meter=image
ImageName=CAD.png
x=0
y=0
w=55
h=55
Hidden=1
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Posted by Franciscoec - 2009/04/09 17:32

Thank you for the help, the image is displayed now :)

But, (sorry if I'm being a pain) opening CAD.exe makes the image config non-draggable and doesn't hide it. It probably not important because CAD covers the image anyway.

Thanks again.

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Posted by GhostMatrix - 2009/04/10 00:48

...No pain here !

Now the previous part of the code that I have posted was a modification for testing CAD in a Winamp + album cover skin that I made and use in my sidebar to replace CAD, and it had a transparent background image.

It almost the same thing apart the process is winamp.exe, to have the Winamp icon colourful when is "on", and colourless when is "off".

I don't know how your .ini file look like, so I have done a skin for the cad image and it work o.k (hide the image and you could drag it when the image is there), but if I remove the in it, the cad image will not be hidden, and could not be drag when cad is "on" like you said !

Here the skin so you can try it !

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

And here you can have a look of my Rainmeter Sidebar with Winamp + album cover skin... B)

http://www.kwikipiks.com/files/47/Rainmeter_Sidebar.jpg

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Posted by Franciscoec - 2009/04/10 19:40

Thanks heaps, works perfect now. :D

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