Blog on Joomla

Posted by emilyrosetheartist - 13 May 2009 18:11

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I want my Joomla to be my blog (without installing the wordpress) but I still need it to be a site, where i can have independent articles, and eventually a e-commerce area (thats why i choose joomla, for the ability to do so many things with the site)

But this blog thing has still has got me confused. I have searched online and I get a ton of places that tell me I can have a blog on Joomla, but I can't find any that tell me how to make it. ,:-

I can't figure how to make the front end look and update like a blog, with the ability to go to the article and make comments, rate, share with other social sites, and share via email, etc...

Also with the ability to update social sites when I post a new blog/article.

And the last thing, is to get registered users to have more exclusive content. And sign up for a monthly newsletter (when they register for the site).

is all this possible? Can you help me figure it out please? thank you

Emily Rose

p.s. how do you get a statcounter to work? I tried 2 so far that I can find, and neither of them did anything...

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Blog on Joomla

Posted by joomtorial - 14 May 2009 04:32

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OK, seriously crazy hours here. I need to get some sleep.

Try out the new files. If they are not giving the good result, make a screenshot of that and post it as an

attachment so I can see. Then for the time being, upload back your original files you have from the first zip file you sent me.

Also be sure to set the module positions back to what they were.

I can have a look again tomorrow according to what your screenshot shows.

Night

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Blog on Joomla
Posted by emilyrosetheartist - 14 May 2009 04:45

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ok, I tried tweet this 1st, and it jsut disapeered entirely. then I tried tweet follow and printed a pdf of the site. I dont know how to do a screen shot :

hope that helps, I'm going to change it back now.

thanks

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Blog on Joomla
Posted by joomtorial - 14 May 2009 11:54

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Hi,

Just had a look at the PDF. Not looking good. What I need would be the entire template so I can work on it locally. What you can do is. Download the entire template 2blue folder and zip that for me and attach it here in the forum.

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Blog on Joomla
Posted by emilyrosetheartist - 14 May 2009 16:47

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Here is the zipped template

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Blog on Joomla
Posted by joomtorial - 14 May 2009 17:37

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Thanks,

A bit busy at this moment, then dinner. I will try and get you this this evening (probably your afternoon).

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Blog on Joomla
Posted by pnut - 14 May 2009 21:44

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Hi,

Just put it together. Attached is a new version of your template. Be sure to keep an orginal version!

To install this template. First you need to set a different template as default in your template manager. After that you delete your current blue2template.

Then use this zip file to install this version.

Last, set blue2template to default again. I kept the same names as yesterday. Set your Tweet Follow module to th position tweetfollow and Tweet This module to tweetthis position.

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Blog on Joomla
Posted by emilyrosetheartist - 14 May 2009 22:05

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trying it out now...

question: is there any reason an extension wouldn't upload to my joomla?

been trying to upload that ChronoForms_V3.1_RC5.0 and it just isn't working, it times out, I get error msg that it can't load, and then nothing.

I put a question on their forum as well

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Blog on Joomla
Posted by joomtorial - 14 May 2009 22:16

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Hi,

Sometimes an extension is of a somewhat larger filesize. With slower hosting providers, uploading and installing might not succeed because of this. At client servers where I noticed this behaviour I used the seconds way of installing components etc. that Joomla offers.

Through ftp you should upload your UNZIPPED extension in a (simple named) folder and upload this in the folder 'tmp'.

SOmetimes extensions have weird folder names therefor I say 'simple folder name. So when you unzip the ChronoForms to your desktop, rename the unzipped folder to forms or something. Then up;oad that folder forms into the folder tmp.

Then go to Extensions > Install/Uninstall. On that page, you normally use the first line to browse and upload, but now go to the 2nd line. You should see it already filled in until the folder tmp, behind tmp add your folder name you uploaded, so it becomes.

blablabla/tmp/yourfolder/

Then click on install.

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Blog on Joomla
Posted by emilyrosetheartist - 14 May 2009 22:33

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The install worked, thank you!

that's a handy little trick, I will be remembering that one!

Also, I tried changing the favicon.ico myself, i found the one from joomla and changed it for my own, but it doesn't show up

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Blog on Joomla
Posted by joomtorial - 14 May 2009 22:53

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Great!

A few things, all needs to be done in your template's blue2template the index.php file.

First the favicon:

In the index.php file you need to add a little line as I think that template doesn't have a favicon set.

First of all, make sure your favicon icon file (favicon.ico) is in the folder blue2template/images.

Second, add this line in before the html code

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