Galleria Lite

Operating instructions.

Introduction.

Galleria Lite is a simple photo gallery that can be uploaded onto a web server and accessed via the Internet or an Intranet. It uses an Sqlite3 database so you will need to ensure that your hosting provider allows you to access this. If you run your own web server from home then ensure that Sqlite3 with the PDO extension is installed and available. I have no intention of giving you instructions on installing and configuring a web server to run Galleria Lite, there are many tutorials available online to aid you.

Installation.

Expand the compressed file into its default folder structure. Upload the files into your web space and navigate to and open the setup.php file. Once setup.php has been run once...

DELETE IT FROM THE WEB SERVER.

This is important as otherwise anyone will be able to set-up an administrator login.

Galleria Lite should now have been set-up and is ready to go.

What to do first.

Click the Login button and enter the name and password already set up, **admin** and **abc123**. After this has been verified you will be presented with the Administrators main page showing the options available to you.

The first thing to do is to change the default Administrator password to something more personal to you. Click the Go! Button next to the Edit Administrator Password option. Then enter a new password and click Submit. The password will have been altered. Log out of the admin pages and then log back in with your new password.

Click the Add Gallery 'Go!' button next and then enter the name of your new gallery and click Submit. Your new gallery will show up under 'GALLERYS'.

Click the 'Admin Main Page' button and then the 'Go' button next to the Upload Photos option. This will allow you to upload a maximum of five photos to a gallery at a time. There is a drop down box that determines which gallery the photos will be stored in. As you only have one gallery set up at this time just browse to where your photos are and select one or five. Add captions if you wish for each photo and click the 'Add Photos' button.

If you are using a web host for Galleria Lite then you may well find that you will be restricted in the

file size and pixel size of the photos you upload. I find that resizing photos to 800 x 600 pixels and restricting the file size to no more than 300KBytes results in successful uploads. Of course if you are using your own web server you can set your own upload sizes.

On a successful upload you will be presented with a page that shows you thumbnails of the photo(s) you have uploaded. Click the 'Admin Main Page' button and then the 'Logout' button.

You are now back at the home page. Your gallery will be listed under the left hand 'CURRENT GALLERYS' list. Click on the link. You will be presented with thumbnails of the photo(s) of the gallery. Click on one and a large size version of the photo will be shown on the screen with the caption underneath it and any comments that the photo has garnered along with a comment entry area that incorporates a captcha entry to wean out any spam from bots. Clicking on the 'Back to Gallery View' button will take you back to the thumbnails of your gallery.

The Other Administrator Pages.

Edit or Delete Photos

To edit or delete a photo from a gallery simply click on the link for the gallery and you will see thumbnails of any photos in that gallery. Click on the 'Delete' button next to a thumbnail and the photo will be deleted from the gallery. To edit a photos caption click on the Edit button and enter or edit any text shown. Click the 'Submit' button and the photos text will have been changed.

Delete Gallery

This page will show you all of your gallery's. Click on the 'Delete' button next to a gallery's name and it will be deleted. ALL OF THAT GALLERYS PHOTOS WILL BE DELETED AS WELL, so make sure you really want to delete that gallery.

Change Home Page Text.

There is some default text displayed on the home page, this option allows you to change it. You will need to know some basic HTML tags to make the best use of this. Use the sample provided in the edit box as a guide. A useful resource to quickly get up to speed with HTML is **www.w3schools.com** . This web site has an easy to follow guide to basic HTML.

Once you have edited the text and the tags click on the 'submit' button. Then logout and you will see the text you have entered for the home page.

Edit Photo Comments.

Select a Gallery and a thumbnail list of that galleries photos will be shown with an Edit button next to each one. Press an Edit button and any comments for that photo will be shown. Comments that you do not wish to have displayed can be deleted by clicking on the Delete button displayed next to each comment.

On any of the above pages, clicking the 'Admin Main Page' button will take you back to the Administrators main page.

Finally

That should be it. The whole gallery has been designed to be simple to use and administer. Just remember to run setup.php first and then delete the file afterwards. Then login to the admin account and alter the password to something more personal.

Good Luck!

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