PicasaWeb Wordpress Plugin

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Requirements

• Wordpress 2.0+: This may work with older versions of wordpress but it hasn't been tested and it won't be supported (i.e. I can't help you get it to work on older versions)

- PHP 5.1.4+: The Zend Framework requires PHP 5.1 so I do to. I apologize to all those who have an old version of PHP installed on their servers.
- Zend Framework 0.8beta+ In order for PicasaWeb to work you need to have a copy of the Zend Framework. A full copy is included in the distribution but, if you are already using the Zend Framework on your site you probably don't need this copy.

Installation

- 1. Extract the zip file.
- 2. Copy the directory "PicasaWeb" to your wp-plugins directory. i.e. "wordpress_root/wp-content/plugins/
- 3. Go to your wordpress adminstration screen and activate the plugin
- 4. see usage (below) for how to add the PicasaWeb stuff to your theme

Usage

You need to make a call to PicasaWeb within a theme for any your picasa photos to appear

Parameters

- a) username: your picasaweb username REQUIRED
- b) albumid: picasaweb assigns each album an id; provide this if you want to show a specific albums thumbnails. OPTIONAL
- c) random: true/false set to true if you want to display a random set of thumbnails OPTIONAL default=false
- d) num: the number of thumbnails you want to display. Set to 0 if you want to show all thumbnails returned OPTIONAL default=0
- e) size: the dimensions you want the thumbnails in selected from the following options: 144, 160, 288, 576, or 720. NOTE: no other sizes are supported by picasaweb. OPTIONAL default=160
- f) showRandomAlbum: true/false this is ignored if an albumid is provided. If set to true then will randomly select an album from the users available albums to show thumbnails from. OPTIONAL default=false
- g) LinkToAlbum: true/false if true the thumbnail will link to the images containing album; else it links to a full size version of the image. OPTIONAL default=false

Troubleshooting

- 1. First make sure the Zend_Framework is on your site. If you aren't sure just make sure the copy in the PicasaWeb directory is there. PicasaWeb tests to make sure the Zend_Framework isn't already loaded before trying to load it again.
- 2. Make sure the username you are providing is a valid PicasaWeb username.
- 3. If you are providing an album ID make sure it is valid
- 4. Double check your syntax for calling the PicasaWeb plugin (you can copy the example above and just replace the username and albumid to verify.