How to not share images between sites?

Posted by GGCath - 2009/08/25 16:51

Hi,

I create different sites for clients as slave sites with JMS so I don't have to update each and everyone of them each time a new version of joomla, or components etc is available. It works great!

However, I noticed that the images are shared between all my slaves sites and I don't want my clients to have access to other clients' images....

Can anyone help tell me how to make the images folder only available for the website they were created in? There surely must be a way, but I can't seem to find it...

Thanks in advance!

Catherine

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Re:How to not share images between sites?

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/08/25 17:22

Catherine, when you create a slave site, you can ask having a specific image and media folder.
This is an operation that is decided the first time that you create the slave site as JMS does not update the potential directories or links that may have been created.

When Symbolic Link is allowed you can enter
Deploy folder = {site_dir} (when using the default JMS multisites directory)
media folder = images
images folder = images/stories

The result will be that you will have in your {site_dir} directory the images directory that will be a copy (and not a link) of your master image directory.
This will give you the opportunity to change its content.

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Re:How to not share images between sites?

Posted by GGCath - 2009/08/25 21:31

Thanks, I'll do this for the sites I create next....

But....(there's always a but!) I have already create 4 sites....Is there a way to change this or we have to start all over again?

If necessary, we can change the php files if you guide us through, as we have a php programmer

here....We also have symbolics links..

So, is there a way?

Thanks for the quick support and wonderful extension!!

Catherine

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Re:How to not share images between sites?

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/08/25 22:06

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Catherine,
if the images directory is a link to another directory, you can delete the link (or rename it in case of roolback) in aim that the directotry is not present before you save again the JMS slave site where you have specified the specific directory.

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Re:How to not share images between sites?

Posted by MacWorld - 2009/09/03 22:24

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Edwin,

I've been trying to make this work with Catherine (coworker) for a while now but I can't figure how to do it.

The only things we want to do is to have separate templates/images/medias for all our websites. We have websites already configured with those folders shared, I will be fixing those later. Currently I simply want to create another site with separate folders.

If I understand correctly I should be able to specify the 3 directories where will be the templates/images/media when I create the slave sites. Whatever combination of options I used I was not able to get the 3 fields for those options.

What options should I choose in the website creation tool of JMS?

I am currently with Joomla! 1.5.14 and JMS 1.2.4

BTW I do NOT want to replicate anything from databases and there is no "front end website creation". You may guess by this that I also tried with the template but wasn't able to make it work with this neither I don't care if the current files (templates/images/medias) are copied to the new website, I'll delete them if necessary.

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Re:How to not share images between sites?

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/09/04 08:45

IF you want to have a specific templates, images and media folders on unix platform and symbolic link allowed is the one that I have give to you (with the addition of the templates that is a new requirement)

Deploy folder = {site_dir} (when using the default JMS multisites directory)
media folder = images
images folder = images/stories
Template folder = {site_dir}/templates

In general the {site_dir} is the directory that you have assigned to your domain, or sub-domain and must be replaced by this value.
So if slave1 correspond to www.slave1.com domain that is located on your disk on /home/slave1/public_html

The definition will be

Deploy folder = /home/slave1/public_html
media folder = images
images folder = images/stories
Template folder = /home/slave1/public_html/templates

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Re:How to not share images between sites?

Posted by MacWorld - 2009/09/04 15:03

I must still miss something somewhere.

BTW yes it is a unix system and I am root.

Here are the screenshots of what I currently understand.

http://gggolf.ca/temp/template.jpg

http://gggolf.ca/temp/newsite.jpg

Why can't I see the images/medias folders in the website creation? If I create the site with those parameters I get a new folder in the joomla_root/multisites folder but in this folder there is no images/medias/templates folder created.

I must be doing something wrong http://www.jms2win.com/images/fbfiles/images/template.jpg

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Re:How to not share images between sites?

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/09/04 15:44

To see the image and media field, you need to replicate the DB because those parameters are saved in the DB.
In your sample, you have selected a template ID that does not replicate any DB.
Therefore, you are not allowed to enter those parameters.

The access to the image and media folder is also available in standard joomla global configuration.

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Re:How to not share images between sites?
Posted by MacWorld - 2009/09/04 17:14

This is perfect! I am able to separate the images/medias files of the existing websites by copying the image folder of joomla into multisites/websitename and modifying the global settings of those.

I will have to try the "database replication" thing for the settings of images/medias automatically. What is copied when we use this feature? The complete original database with all Joomla! content?

Also, if I understand correctly, the "template" setting is not saved in the database as are the images/medias settings? I will be looking to see what I need to do to separate the templates of my current sites. Worst case I'll recreate them but I would prefer not doing this since there are "live" sites that would need to be recreated.

Thanks for your quick replies it is really appreciated!

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Re:How to not share images between sites?
Posted by edwin2win - 2009/09/04 23:20

This is Joomla that has design the fact that images and media folders are parameters in the DB.
In the case of themes (templates) there is nothing in the DBs except the fact that you can select a default template.
The fact that a template is present in the "/templates" directory is enought to make the template avaialble.

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Re:How to not share images between sites?
Posted by sethsark - 2009/09/05 00:40

I've used the above procedure to not share images. However, when I try to use the slave website administration media manager to upload a unique image, the button to browse for the image doesn't work.

Any ideas?

Thank you in advance

I found the issue in a Joomla forum. I needed to disable the flash uploader in global configuration. You may delete this, I couldn't figure out how.:blush:

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Re:How to not share images between sites?

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/09/05 16:07

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Effectivelly, the Joomla flash uploader may cause a problem.

For the other customers, I have just create a video that also show to create a slave site with speecific images, media and templates folders
See tutorial step 22
http://www.jms2win.com/tutorial
or directly the video at
http://tutorial.jms2win.info/joomla/multisite-12x/cpanel/jms-specific-template-images-media/index.html

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