

# Openbox

## Clean HTML, Rapid Authoring

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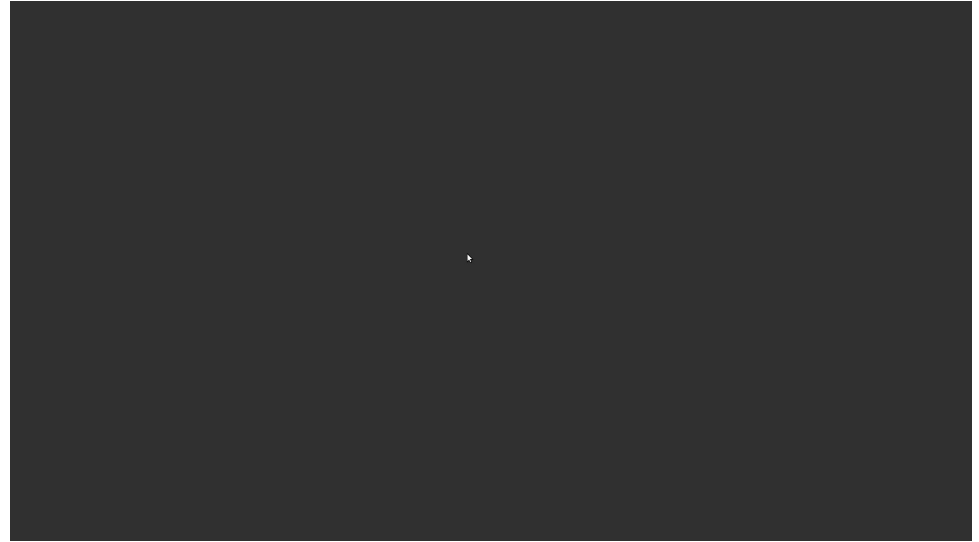
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# Quotes From #golug

- Start button and taskbar are things that toy computers have: BasketCase
- The start button should have stayed on win9x where it belonged: BasketCase

# Why Would ANYONE Want This?

- All I see is desktop!
- Where am I?
- What's running?
- Where's my start button?
- What do I do now?



# Here's Why

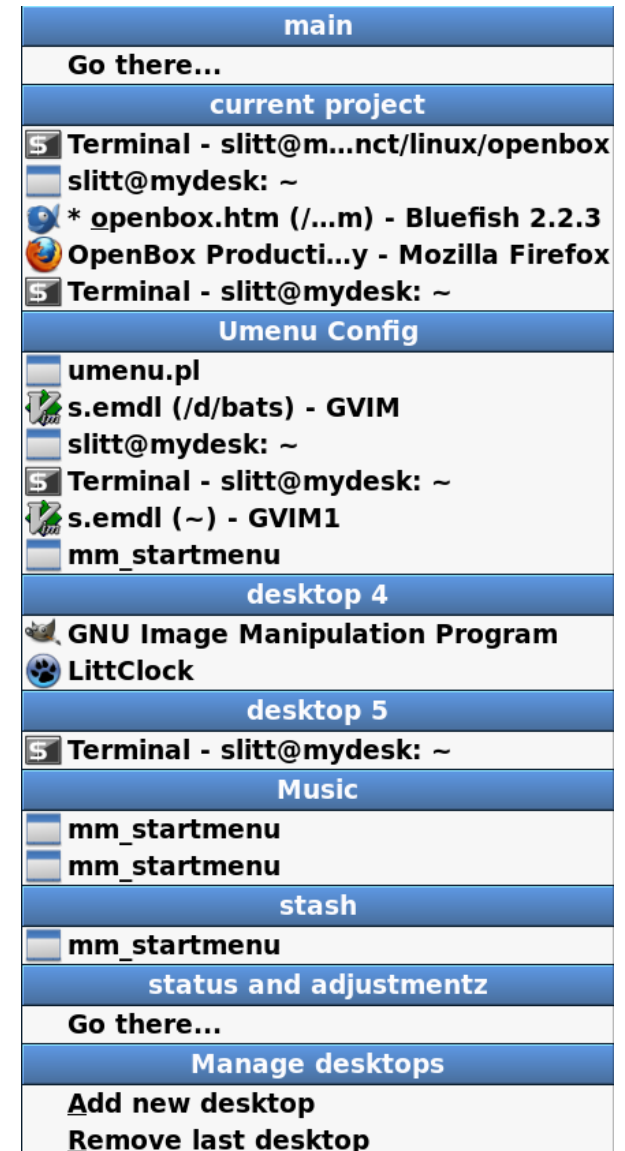
- Maximum screen real estate
- VERY keyboard friendly
  - Menus first-char searchable
  - Easily set hotkeys for Openbox functions and executable commands
- Fast
- Can use utilities from other desktop environs
- Encourages good habits
  - Housekeeping
  - Keyboard usage

# First Steps

- Back up `~/.config/openbox/rc.xml`
- Create a 8 pixel margin to click in
  - With `obconf`
- Set mouse clicks for root menu & client list
  - With `~/.config/openbox/rc.xml`
- Set hotkeys for root menu & client list
  - With `~/.config/openbox/rc.xml`

# Client List to the Rescue

- When you forgot what's what
  - Where am I?
  - What was I doing?
- Shows what's running
- Shows what's where
- Clickable
- Keyboardable



# Desktop/Workspaces Are Vital!

- They're how you organize running programs
- Name them for their function
- Ctrl+Alt+Right/Left to traverse
- Scroll wheel on desktop to traverse
- Ctrl+Alt+Up for name of current desktop
- Openbox config pgm to name and config

# Handy Tools

- Root Menu
- Client List Menu
- gkrellm
- Reconfigure Openbox
- Openbox Config Program
- `$HOME/.config/openbox/rc.xml`
- openbox Command
- Text menus
- Tools From Other Desktop Environments



# Tools From Other Desktop Envs

- xfce4-appfinder
- xfce4-terminal
- nm-connection-editor
- pavucontrol
- alsamixer
- lxrandr
- thunar
  - Run thunar --daemon first

# Fix Your Fonts

- Fonts are usually too small in Openbox
- obconf for Openbox fonts
- qtconfig for Qt apps
- For Gtk apps

```
cd
echo include \'/home/slitt/.gtkrc.mine\' > .gtkrc-1.2-gnome2
echo include \'/home/slitt/.gtkrc.mine\' > .gtkrc-2.0
Edit .gtkrc.mine
```

# .gtkrc.mine

```
gtk-font-name = "Sans 18"  
style "user-font"  
{  
    font_name="Sans 18"  
}  
widget_class "*" style "user-font"  
class "*" style "user-font"  
  
style "EditorStyle" {  
    font_name="Sans 18"  
}  
class "GtkTextView" style "EditorStyle"
```

# Summary

- Nothing but desktop, room for your apps
- Keyboard centered, therefore fast
- Accommodates and demands good housekeeping
- Configurable