

Re: Setting Intial Directory

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On 2 Aug 2005 09:03:29 -0700, "Mustur" <mustur_sreenivas@xxxxxxxx> wrote:

>Hi all, i am novice in Perl/Tk. I need to set up intial directory in
>the given path.. i dont know the syntax in unix. please guide me.

>sub browse

>{

> \$load_file = \$main -> getOpenFile

> (

> "-filetypes" => [["CSV files", '.csv'], ["All files", '*.*']],

> "-title" => "read CSV file ",

> "-initialdir" =>

>'W:\si_cs\$\Technical\Ecu-vdc\SW\BaseSiS_ABK_GA\IDC-Result',

>);

># }

>From your question, I'm taking it you want to know how to enter a path
in linux(unix)?

Assuming you are in the directory that contains the subdir IDC-Result:
-initialdir => 'IDC-Result'

But I don't use this too often and I ran into a "glitch" maybe someone
else can explain? It seems I can only specify upward paths relative to
the current directory? So maybe you will need to chdir to the directory
you want as default?

```
#!/usr/bin/perl
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```
use Tk;
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use strict;
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```
my $mw = MainWindow->new;
```

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my $file_r = &fileDialog;
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print"\n selected this file $file_r";
```

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MainLoop;
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```
sub fileDialog {
```

```
my @types = ( ["Allowed photos", [qw/.jpg .png .gif/]], );
```

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```
#must specify path relative to current working directory
#very clunky
my $initialdir = '../..';

#dosn't work for some reason
#my $initialdir = '/home/zentara';

my $file = $mw->getOpenFile(
    -filetypes => \@types ,
    -initialdir => $initialdir,
);

return($file);
}

__END__
```

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I'm not really a human, but I play one on earth.
<http://zentara.net/japh.html>

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