ArtistScope CD Archives

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For copy protection of web content distributed by email, download or on CD. Can be explored offline using any Windows browser.

ArtistScope CD delivers an encrypted archive from which individual files cannot be extracted. It can be copied in entirety for easy redistribution making it ideal for publishing catalogues in a web environment… runs as a local web server to deliver full html support. Content encrypted by ArtistScope CD can be distributed by email, download or on CD.

To create a CD archive

Double click packager.exe to start the compiler. Then select the folder that contains your web style content (must have a start page called "index.html"). Then click Build. Packager will create/update content.bin with your new content.

To dispatch your ArtisCD you need to distribute 4 files:
- Autorun.inf
- ArtisCD.exe
- content.bin
- index.bin

Do not distribute your packager.exe!

Troubleshooting

If you get errors, the first thing to do is clear your cache. Different ArtisCD.exe files will be looking for index.html. Even though those files may be different, your web browser will be calling them from cache. Add the following to the head tags of your index.html:

<meta http-equiv="expires" content="0">
<meta http-equiv="Pragma" content="no-cache">
<meta http-equiv="Cache-Control" content="no-cache">

Packager.exe will not write to or update Content.bin if ArtisCD.exe is already running. Close ArtisCD.exe and run the packager again.

Starting the CD archive

Start by double-clicking the ArtisCD.exe. The CD index page will open in your web browser so that you can explore the CD content using whatever links provided on the web pages. You do not have to be connected to the Internet and can view the content locally.

Preparing content

Say you want to put the whole of your web site on CD? All you have to do is make a copy of that content in a new and separate folder, modify all links to function locally and relative to the index.html file which will be in the folder's root, then point your ArtistScope CD packager to that folder and click "Build". It's that simple!

Your CD links can be as either "../images/some.gif", "/images/some.gif" or http://localhost/etc. If needed your web site can be linked from the CD (user needs to be online).

Copy protection

ArtistScope CD on its own will not prevent screen capture or the saving of images from web pages once loaded into the browser. For protection from browser saving or screen capture you can use Copysafe Web. ArtistScope CD was especially designed to provide a web environment for Copysafe Web and Secure Image which otherwise run from web sites.

CopySafe PDF

CopySafe PDF is the most secure solution for distributing Adobe PDF documents on CD and does not require any further protection… it does not require ArtistScope CD.

CopySafe Web

CopySafe Web can be used on ArtistScope CD to prevent all methods of saving including screen capture. Copysafe uses a special plugin (a free web download) that installs from the CD for offline use.

Secure Image Pro

Secure Image Pro can be used on ArtistScope CD to protect images from all avenues of saving except "capture". It's not as secure as Copysafe because it doesn't require a plugin, which some prefer.

Web content

Almost anything that you can run on your web site can be run on ArtistScope CD, including Java, JavaScript, Cgi, Asp, etc. The only limitation is that data cannot be written to the distributed files. Flash, Powerpoint, Avi and Mpeg may not survive encryption are not recommended.

Distribution

Your delivery will be comprised of your ArtisCD.exe, content.bin and index.bin. These 3 files comprise your distributable that can be zipped for download/email delivery or copied to CD. They can also be built into self-installers using third party software enabling unlimited options for end use such as e-books, etc.

Security

Each CD server file has a unique signature, and each packaged data archive can only be read by the owner's CD server. Your content archive can only be read by your personalised CD server identifying you as the owner of the content. Your company logo, contact details and copyright statement will be embedded into your ArtisCD.exe (as delivered by us) so your content cannot be redistributed without your company noted as the owner/publisher.

Compile options

- Set expiration time (days or months to expire)
- Set password access to all content

Registration

ArtistScope CD is free software

Uninstall

To remove this ArtistScope CD demo all one has to do is first stop the CD by right clicking in the task bar icon and selecting 'Exit'… then delete the ArtistScope CD folder from your computer.