

GNU/Linux Administration - Feature #545

Using Obkey To Add Screenshot Hot Key To LXDE on Arch

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<div><div>Description</div><div><p>Taking screenshots is one of the functions every desktop computer must have; for troubleshooting, taking game screenshots, or even taking a snapshot of a web blog post before a moderator pulls it. I use Arch with LXDE for my main work desktop, and it lacks a print screen hot key function natively. This is how I added is to my desktop.</p><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ensure ImageMagick is installed</li></ul><pre>sudo pacman -S ImageMagick</pre><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Install <a href="#">yaourt</a></li><li>• Install obkey from the AUR using yaourt:</li></ul><pre>yaourt obkey</pre><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Open the LXDE config with obkey:</li></ul><pre>obkey ~/.config/openbox/lxde-rc.xml</pre><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Then <b>Insert a New Sibling Keybind</b></li><li>• Select the newly created key, it will prompt <b>New Accelerator...</b></li><li>• Press the key combination to the screenshot, in my case it was <b>Fn + F11</b></li><li>• Associate the new key combo with an action, by going to the action pane and clicking <b>Insert Action -&gt; Execute</b></li><li>• In the command text box add the following:</li></ul><pre>sh -c "import -window root ~/Pictures/\$(date '+%Y%m%d-%H%M%S').png"</pre><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Click on the <b>Save</b> icon and exit.</li></ul><p>Now when the screenshot icon is pressed a timestamped PNG of the current active windows will be saved in the Pictures directory in the home folder.</p></div></div>			

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