

Recently, I had to install a slideshow package on Drupal6. I found that there were many modules to do the same job: slideshow, views-slideshow, rotator, slideshowcs etc.

I could not get slideshow working on my hosting provider (usonyx.com), however, slideshowcs works fine. And here is the procedure.

Installing SlideshowCS Module:

I am assuming your Drupal is installed at a hosting site. When you FTP login, your root directory is / and drupal is installed in /httpdocs/

eg:

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lftp vsaftpadmin@ftp.vsa-services.com: /> pwd

lftp vsaftpadmin@ftp.vsa-services.com: /> ls
drwxr-x---  5 vsaftpadmin psaserv  4096 Sep 26  2008 anon_ftp
drwxr-x---  4 vsaftpadmin psaserv  4096 May 30 09:03 cgi-bin
drwxr-x---  2 root        psaserv  4096 Aug  4 16:37 conf
drwxr-xr-x  2 root        psaserv  4096 Sep 26  2008 error_docs
drwxr-x--- 11 vsaftpadmin psaserv  4096 Jan 14  2009 httpdocs
drwxr-x---  7 vsaftpadmin psaserv  4096 Sep 26  2008 httpsdocs
drwxr-x---  2 root        psaserv  4096 Sep 26  2008 pd
drwx----- 2 vsaftpadmin root     4096 Sep 26  2008 private
dr-xr-x---  7 root        psaserv  4096 Sep 26  2008 statistics
drwxr-xr-x  2 root        psaserv  4096 Sep 26  2008 subdomains
drwxr-xr-x  2 root        psaserv  4096 Sep 26  2008 web_users
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Upload your images to sites/default/files/slideshowcs/001/
sites/default/files/slideshowcs/002/

Create any subdirectories if need be.
etc

Download <http://drupal.org/project/slideshowcs> module. I used
<http://ftp.drupal.org/files/projects/slideshowcs-6.x-2.7.tar.gz>

Unpack and transfer to server.

Local machine: tar zxvf slideshowcs-6.x-2.7.tar.gz

Start lftp.

Transfer files slideshowcs/* to httpdocs/modules/slideshowcs/

Go to Administer -> Modules -> Scroll down all the way and enable the SlideshowCS module:


▼ User interface

Enabled	Throttle	Name	Version	Description
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Slideshow CS	6.x-2.7	A slideshow block with cool effects using jQuery plugin: Cross-slide

Enable and click save configuration.

Now, go to Administer->Slideshowcs settings and change the number of blocks you need:

Home > Administer > Site configuration



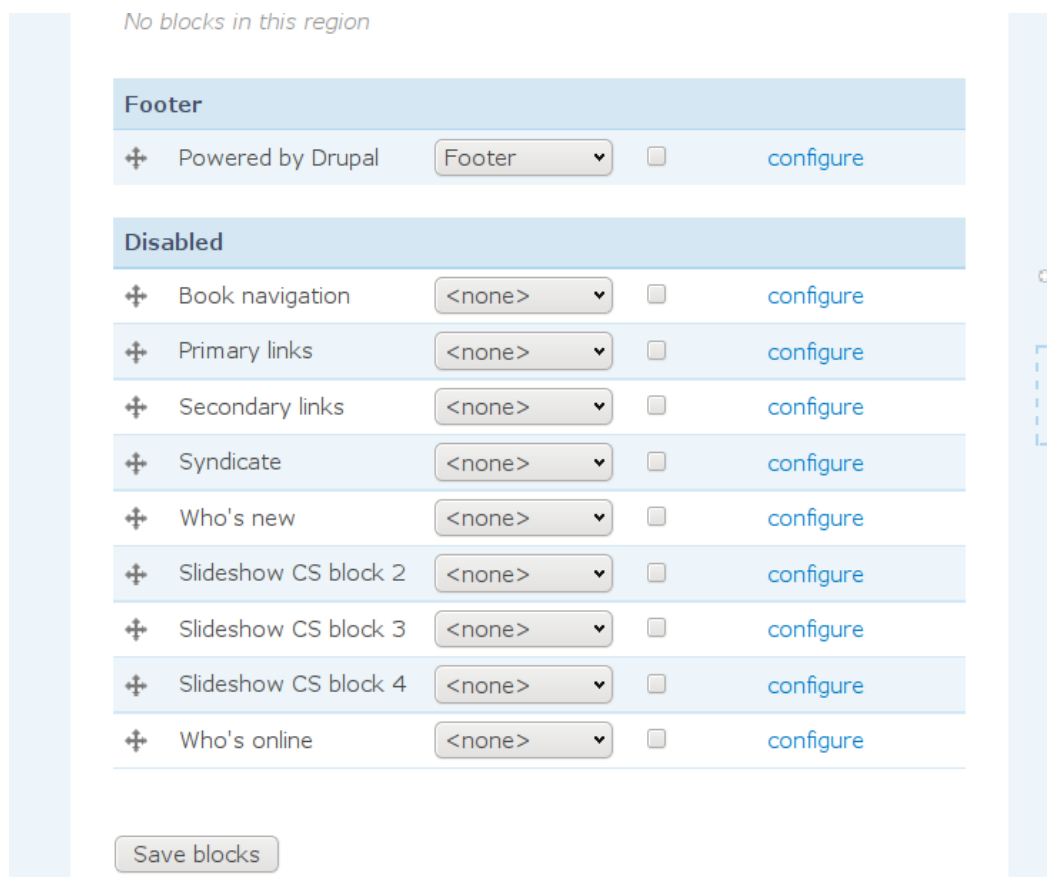
Slideshow CS settings

Number of blocks: *

Number of desired blocks, maximum allowed 20.

Next, go to Administer->Blocks.

Notice that you have a new block type: SlideshowCS Block, that gives you some new features.



Move the SlideshowCS block1 , block2, block3 etc to the content area (eg: Right Sidebar, Content Area etc) you need slideshows to be run.

You must click "Save blocks" at this point.

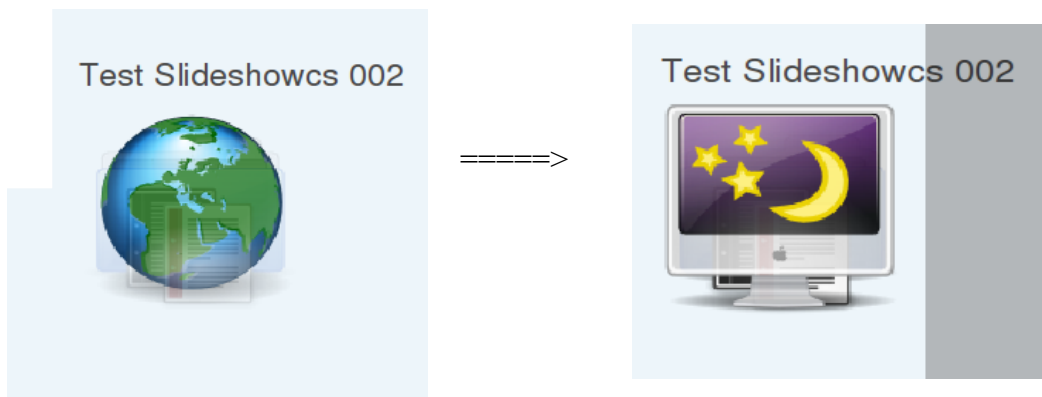
Now click on the configure button against a slideshowcs block you wish to configure.

Ensure that the Pictures Folder is setup correctly. For me the value of sites/default/files/slideshowcs/001/ works. Also set the height of the image block (default=200, may not be correct depending on your image size)

You can also specify the fade duration, who can see this block (eg: anonymous users only, authenticated users only or both), random sequence or sequential (sorted by filename), you could also pick the pages on which this block would be visible. eg: Some blocks could be displayed on all pages, some on just the home page or a Products page etc.

Finally hit Save Block button. And test whether the block works as desired. Minor adjustments can be done to get the desired image rotation.

Though I cannot demonstrate a slideshow on a static document such as this, here's two screenshots, a few seconds apart:



See the running demo here: <http://www.vsa-services.com/slideshow-test>

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