

## Phorum Support Forums / 5.1 Phorum Templates/Themes

anyone wanting to write some templating-docs?

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Thomas Seifert / August 05, 2005 12:07PM

[anyone wanting to write some templating-docs?](#)

As you might know ... coders are bad documentation-writers ;).

So I would like to find someone who would volunteer to write some template-docs, i.e. which syntaxes we have there and maybe even which variables are available where.

You can bug me with any questions you have about this or if you aren't sure that something works the way you understood it.

Those docs will be with your credits in the next (5.1)-release and everyone will be really thankfull for writing those docs ;).

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## Thomas Seifert

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Sergej / August 05, 2005 12:29PM

[Re: anyone wanting to write some templating-docs?](#)

How about a Wiki?

Sergej

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^AU^ Assassins United

[\[www.assassinsunited.com\]](http://www.assassinsunited.com)  
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Thomas Seifert / August 05, 2005 12:30PM

[Re: anyone wanting to write some templating-docs?](#)

We have a wiki [\[phorum.org\]](http://phorum.org) ;)

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## Thomas Seifert

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Sergej / August 05, 2005 12:34PM

[Re: anyone wanting to write some templating-docs?](#)

:-p, yea but I mean a wiki that is more suitable as a online manual for Phorum. Just an idea. I might be interested....that depends on my time.

Sergej

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Thomas Seifert / August 05, 2005 12:36PM

[Re: anyone wanting to write some templating-docs?](#)

> a wiki that is more suitable as a online manual for Phorum

I haven't found one and in the end they are all the same just with some different syntaxes.

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## Thomas Seifert

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Panu / August 07, 2005 09:55AM

[Re: anyone wanting to write some templating-docs?](#)

ts77 Wrote:

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> variables are available where.

I can write something but not for at least 2 weeks, my summer holiday is still ongoing :) WIKI is ok, as I'm sure my documentation needs some finetuning from time to time...

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--[ Panu ]=-

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sheik / September 04, 2005 12:46AM

[Re: anyone wanting to write some templating-docs?](#)

How do we add a "Guide to Templates" page to the Wiki?

^adam

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My notable Phorum sites:

[Movie Deaths Database](#) - "review comments" system mostly powered by Phorum

[Learn Chinese!](#) - integrated forum quiz

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Panu / September 06, 2005 10:19AM

[Re: anyone wanting to write some templating-docs?](#)

sheik Wrote:

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> How do we add a "Guide to Templates" page to the  
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--[ Panu ]=-

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sheik / September 10, 2005 09:42AM

[Re: anyone wanting to write some templating-docs?](#)

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Thank you Panu, I have now added a page for templating docs: [\[phorum.org\]](http://phorum.org)

Anyone reading this, please go in, fix my mistakes and add more detail!

I think we should also create a new page, containing all arrays and variables available to Phorum template designers.

^adam

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Sergej / October 10, 2005 06:42AM

[Re: anyone wanting to write some templating-docs?](#)

Thomas, did you guys already agree on what kind of changes etc you will have on the templating system? If so how much different will it be qua structure?

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Thomas Seifert / October 10, 2005 07:27AM

[Re: anyone wanting to write some templating-docs?](#)

no more changes (beside maybe some hooks in the forms) will be there.

changes to the system are all done by now.

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## Thomas Seifert

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Maurice Makaay / October 10, 2005 07:28AM

[Re: anyone wanting to write some templating-docs?](#)

If you're talking about the hook stuff from the chat: that won't change the template system much. There just will be some extra hook entries in the forms, so module writers can extend the forms without having to hack the templates. There are currently no plans for doing larger changes in the template system (like the fallback system I talked about, to fallback to the default template if a .tpl-file does not exist in your template).

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irob / December 19, 2005 03:47PM

[Re: anyone wanting to write some templating-docs?](#)

hi,

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Quote

**ts77**

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I was just seeing your lines. And yes, I would love to do that. I already did that some times in different print-magazines and online-magazines (I am an editor, journalist), when I wrote some workshops about phorum (I think, you will surely remember those articles, published f.e. "Internetworld", "Homepage", "Com!", etc.). So, why not a workshop about this special template-theme how to "style" your own template? Would be cool.

Last week (and without knowing your lines here), I already came to the idea to bring a big list with all the commands of phorum. You should know, I am a little bit overview-freak and I also love to work with screenshots. Examples are f.e. {NAME}, {DESCRIPTION}, etc..

I think, to create your own perfect template, you need anyhow a clear table about all these commands. So, if you want to make your custom template, then you need only to "feed" your template-files with the right one commands. The rest is only HTML. That's all. For beginners, it is just now too hard and too strong to make customized templates, because of such missinformations. Beginners must very often study the complete phorum-structure before they can really begin with their own templates. A clear documentation about the template-themes would be very helpful, I think so. And I would try to realize it.

Let me know it. I am looking forward for it. :-)

bye  
irob

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Thomas Seifert / December 19, 2005 04:18PM

[Re: anyone wanting to write some templating-docs?](#)

irob, thanks for your offer.

I think the best way would be to also add it to the (currently) simple wiki-page [[phorum.org](http://phorum.org)].

Sure, you can start writing in your own format too, it would just be nice if we could make it available online either :).

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## Thomas Seifert

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irob / December 19, 2005 07:08PM

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ok, thank you very much. I'll keep you informed.

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bye  
irob

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