



CUSTOM SKINS FOR NDI ALUMNI/AE DIRECTORY

Overview:

Custom “skins” allow a client using the NDI Alumni/ae Directory, Online Donations, Event Registration or Online Store modules the ability to apply a layout and graphics to match the look and feel of their existing website. This makes the end user experience much more seamless, and integrates the NDI products into the client's overall web strategy.

Cost:

There is no cost to have NDI apply these changes, assuming the client supplies all the required graphics, HTML and CSS.

Requirements:

There are no hard and fast rules, as each client has different needs. There are a number of scenarios that have worked well:

Scenario #1: A single graphic applied as a fixed background. The NDI demo site has a single .jpeg image (1000px wide by 750px high) placed as a fixed background. The central part is left blank, with a white background. The NDI content floats above the graphic in the central 750px space and can scroll up and down as required. See <http://www.kentford.org/> Also see attached diagram of rough dimensions. The width and height of the images you supply can vary, but the central space reserved for NDI content should be at least 750px wide - no less!

Scenario #2: A single top banner image, approximately 850px wide by 150px high. The NDI content will be applied below that. A “stripped” down version of Scenario #1. It can be supplemented by a bottom banner of similar dimensions.

Scenario #3: Scenario #2, with left and right side graphics added. These side graphics usually are small (e.g. 140px wide by 5px high) and are set to repeat in the vertical dimension, therefore expanding and contracting as the NDI content varies on different pages.

Scenario #4: More complex, with dynamic menus that match your website. In this case the full HTML and CSS, as well as the various graphic images, need to be supplied. Generally supplied by your webmaster or website hosting provider. Ideally, we would be supplied with an HTML file containing all the needed code with a clearly designated place to insert the NDI content. Graphic images should be hosted on the NDI site so the images can be served without any security warnings on https enabled sites (donations, events, store.)

Combinations: Any combinations of the above that meet your needs!

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Approximate Dimensions of “Skin”

