
Subject: Re: Loading picture into compound widget
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David's correct (goes without saying). Learning to code your own widgets is the way to go. In the mean time, I think I can offer a simple, perhaps ugly, fix. (Note: I would never recommend this as a way to begin programming widgets, it's just a suggestion to get you up and running with what you've already got.)

It seems that the widget code does not make use of the very useful UVALUE (User Value) field in the widgets. One can store important information there--any type.

So as a temporary fix, once you learn the window number (index) you can store it in the UVALUE of one of your widgets, like this. In the line following

```
WIDGET_CONTROL, drawViewer, GET_VALUE = index
```

```
put
```

```
WIDGET_CONTROL, menuFileOpen, SET_UVALUE=index ;-- new line
```

I've chosen to store the value in the menuFileOpen widget because that's the one that's generated the event. We'll know its ID from within the event handler routine and it's in the Event structure as Event.ID. So, change your OnOpen routine to

```
pro OnOpen, Event
  ImagelsRead=DIALOG_READ_IMAGE(DIALOG_PARENT=Event.top, $
    FILE=FileName, FILTER_TYPE='.tif, .tiff', IMAGE=PhotoArray, $
    TITLE='Choose the photo file')
  IF (ImagelsRead EQ 1) THEN BEGIN
    ;--- Ask the menuFileOpen widget to give you back the index value
    ; you stored.
    WIDGET_CONTROL, Event.ID, GET_UVALUE=uval
    WSET, uval
    TVSCL, PhotoArray
  ENDIF
end
```

It ain't pretty, but that should work for now.

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