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Subject: Re: X11 macOSX woes  
Posted by [Karl Schultz](#) on Fri, 28 May 2004 14:52:19 GMT  
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"Ben Tupper" <btupper@bigelow.org> wrote in message  
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> Karl:

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snip

>> One thing I just thought of that might be worth doing is to try using  
>> another window manager. A window manager is just another client, but I  
have

>> to believe that the default window manager is "wired into" the system  
quite

>> a bit more tightly. Another simpler wm like twm might be worth trying.  
I

>> haven't tried switching the window manager (yet), but I would think that

>> there are some pretty simple instructions on the net someplace.

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> I can try this approach, but we are using IDLVM pretty heavily and this  
> may feel cumbersome for some of our already vexed Mac users.

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> Is vtwm the same as twm?

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I don't know for sure, but the point is to just try something different from  
the default. I know it is rotten to do this to users, but right now, we're  
just looking for something that works. I've seen postings in mailing lists  
and newsgroups about people using all sorts of wm's, including some that you  
see in Linux distros, so it isn't all that unusual. Apple has taken on  
quite a chore in not only adding an X11 server to OS X, but also with  
integrating it into their GUI world. Like vendors before them, there may be  
a few things to sort out.

Anyway, the wm switch is pretty much of a longshot. I'll be trying it  
myself in a few days to look into the iconify problem. But right now, it is  
just something I am suggesting to try to see what happens.

Karl

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