
Category List

Posted by betonicah - 2015/02/05 21:46

Hello,

Individual books look great and migrating 72 books over took no time at all.

I am wondering if there is a better way to display the different categories. I have a category for each year since 2007 with 12 books in each. The issues I have noticed when the Menu Item is set to show all categories are:

- Uncategorized cannot be hidden and adding a thumbnail for each category would be cool
- When clicking on a category, the order of books is alphabetical, I need by ID or created date
- The list of books in a category is one column, is there any way to have three columns across?

Would you have any ideas for me?

Also, one page layout for phones and tablets would be awesome. You made mention of it here, <http://www.ari-soft.com/ARI-Smart-Book/52026-For-use-in-smartphone.html>

Thanks for any suggestions.

Tony

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Re:Category List

Posted by admin - 2015/02/06 06:54

Hello,

1. Each book should belong to a category. "Uncategorised" category is created by component by default as a default category. You can rename it. It is also possible to select a parent category in "ARI Smart Book -> Categories" menu item settings and sub-categories from the selected category will be shown.

2. We will add ability to define sorting field and sorting direction for "ARI Smart Book -> Categories" item like for "ARI Smart Book -> Category" item.

3. Try to add the following CSS rule to a site template CSS file:

```
#ariSmartBookContainer .smartbook-category-layout .smartbook-list-item {float:left; width: 33%;}
```

Regards,
ARI Soft

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Re:Category List

Posted by betonicah - 2015/02/06 17:00

Thanks for the 3 column code, that works and I have hidden the book title and "Open the Book" text also as I want the book thumbnail to be the link to open the book.

Is there a way to hide the category title altogether? I tried

```
#ariSmartBookContainer .smartbook-category-title {visibility: hidden; }
```

but that leaves the space where the title would be, just no text.

The books I am working with are monthly publications, so I need to be able to sort them by created date. You mentioned that might be coming soon? Could you elaborate on that.

Re:Category List

Posted by admin - 2015/02/07 11:01

Upgrade the extension to v. 1.7.0. It supports ability to specify how to sort books for "Categories" menu item. See "Options" tab on menu item settings page.

About changing layout, could you send an image where we can see what do you want to achieve and a link to a page which you want to modify?

Regards,
ARI Soft

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Re:Category List

Posted by betonicah - 2015/02/12 18:01

Hi,

I have created a menu structure for my categories, so sorting in order is working now.

I have a category for each year with 12 books in each. Ideally I'd like a two or three column layout of thumbnails with a small book title centered underneath or above. I attached a picture of what I would love to be able to have. Link to the dev site is:

I think having to scroll way down a page to see all the books will cause visitors to not notice lots of the issues.

This is a great program for books, clean look, very easy for the end user, looks great on most screen sizes, and faster loading than one that uses Flash. Great job.

Cheers,
Tony

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Re:Category List

Posted by admin - 2015/02/12 18:59

Hello,

Add the following CSS rules to a site template CSS file:

```
.smartbook-category-layout .smartbook-list-item {  
width: 33%;  
float: left;  
border-bottom-style: none !important;  
}  
  
.smartbook-category-layout .smartbook-description {  
display: none;  
}  
  
.smartbook-category-layout .smartbook-list:after {  
clear: both;  
content: "";  
display: block;  
}
```

Regards,
ARI Soft

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Re:Category List

Posted by betonicah - 2015/02/12 20:21

Thank you very much, that will work.

Cheers,
Tony

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