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Thread: [How do i get the path of my project directory at design time](#)

BlackCap - October 14, 2011, 1:31 pm

I am making a custom control designer inside of VS, and i need to find a way to add a designer file for the custom controls that are made in my designer.

My problem is that i can't find a way to get the path of the project directory at design time, all the usually methods returns the path of the Vs folder :/

Any ideas? :)

Sapientia - October 14, 2011, 1:33 pm

Can you please elaborate? What file do you want to open?

BlackCap - October 14, 2011, 1:36 pm

(Oct 14, 2011 01:33 PM)BlackCap Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Can you please elaborate? What file do you want to open?

The project folder, where all the code files are stored.

n0\$3ratu\$ - October 14, 2011, 1:41 pm

(Oct 14, 2011 01:36 PM)1steinar Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) The project folder, where all the code files are stored. Code "System.Reflection.Assembly.GetAssembly().Location" ???

BlackCap - October 14, 2011, 1:47 pm

(Oct 14, 2011 01:41 PM)n0\$3ratu\$ Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Code "System.Reflection.Assembly.GetAssembly().Location" ???

Nope, at design time it returns a location in the appdata even through my project is both build and saved..

SomeWhiteGuy - October 14, 2011, 2:37 pm

Dim AppPath As String = My.Application.Info.DirectoryPath

BlackCap - October 14, 2011, 2:40 pm

(Oct 14, 2011 02:37 PM)dr3am Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Dim AppPath As String = My.Application.Info.DirectoryPath

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SomeWhiteGuy - October 14, 2011, 2:43 pm

(Oct 14, 2011 02:40 PM)1steinar Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I have already tried it and it does not work at design time

I don't understand what you're trying to do.

/Elaborate

Charger - October 14, 2011, 4:33 pm

What do you mean at "Design Time"? Are you talking about when you debug it ?

Banks? - October 14, 2011, 4:47 pm

Like when you are debugging it? I believe that's because you're either using a temporary project, or

that's just how Visual Studio works with debugging.

Coleak - October 14, 2011, 6:48 pm

Are you think about Application.StartupPath? Im confused.

BlackCap - October 15, 2011, 2:01 am

(Oct 14, 2011 04:47 PM)?anksy Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Like when you are debugging it? I believe that's because you're either using a temporary project, or that's just how Visual Studio works with debugging.

This is design time:

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[img]http://filesmelt.com/dl/ydi_sc_3.png[/img]

Like a sayed, it's a custom designer to create custom controls (like the form designer), and i neded the path of the project so that i could generate designer files for the custom controls made with it. Just in case someone else need it, i managed to get the path from the EnvDTE.DTE class found in the EnvDTE dll.

Coleak - October 15, 2011, 2:14 am

Look at my above post, use Application.StartupPath

BlackCap - October 15, 2011, 2:36 am

(Oct 15, 2011 02:14 AM)Coleak Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Look at my above post, use Application.StartupPath
You should test it before you post. It where the first method i tested, and it returns a location in the appdata.

n0\$f3ratu\$ - October 15, 2011, 3:16 am

(Oct 15, 2011 02:36 AM)1steinar Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) You should test it before you post. It where the first method i tested, and it returns a location in the appdata.

Alright, then what is the problem?

Take the path from appdata, because is obvious you put the "working" folder there.

Modestep - October 15, 2011, 3:24 am

When you debug it is possible that VS uses appdata but when you build it, it is in the visual studio/projects folder?

BlackCap - October 15, 2011, 3:49 am

(Oct 15, 2011 03:16 AM)n0\$f3ratu\$ Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Alright, then what is the problem?

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Nope, it's the path to VS's appdata, not my project's, but as i mentioned above, i found a solution. Thanks anyway :)