



MythTV

a free personal video recorder for Linux

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Basic Info

- Started in April 2002
- Version .17 released February 11th 2005
- Linux, MacOSX (frontend only)
- HDTV Support
- Firewire Capture



Features

- 'Live TV', pause, rewind, fast forward TV
- Scheduled recording of TV programs
- Multiple tuner cards
- Distributed architecture
- Software or Hardware based compression



Features

- Automatic commercial detection / skipping
- Automatic downloading of programming
- Themable Menu's
- Picture in Picture (w/ multiple tuner cards)
- Web interface
- Audio library



Features

- MAME frontend (video games)
- Image Viewer
- Weather Module
- Video player module (DiVX, etc)
- DVD Player/Ripper module
- RSS News reader Module



Architecture

- Separate recording and playback
- Multiple recording and/or playback
- MySQL used to store program/recording information
- Uses NuppelVideo encoding



Hardware

- Fastest CPU Possible
- Big Hard Drive(s)
- TV Tuner card
- PC running Linux



My Specs

- Dual P3 800MHz
- 256MB Ram
- WinTV PVR-350
- 200GB Western Digital 8MB cache



Tuner Cards

- **Frame Grabbers (WinTV Go, ATI TV Wonder)**
basically anything supported by Video 4 Linux
- **Hardware Encoding/Decoding (WinTV PVR-250/350, Matrox G200)**
provide hardware (en/de)coding on the card



Installation

- Hard, Easier, Easiest
- Build from Source, lots of dependancies.
- Packages for most distributions, Debian, Fedora
- KnoppMyth is the easiest, takes about an hour, some mistakes in the documentation, so expect to run through it at least twice.



KnoppMyth

- Based on Knoppix which is based on Debian
- Bootable CD, can be used as a diskless frontend.
- Documentation is sparse
- Not ideal for backend only machines



Screenshots



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*Schedule a
Recording*



Watch TV



*Watch a
Recording*



*Fix Scheduling
Conflicts*



Setup



*Delete
Recordings*



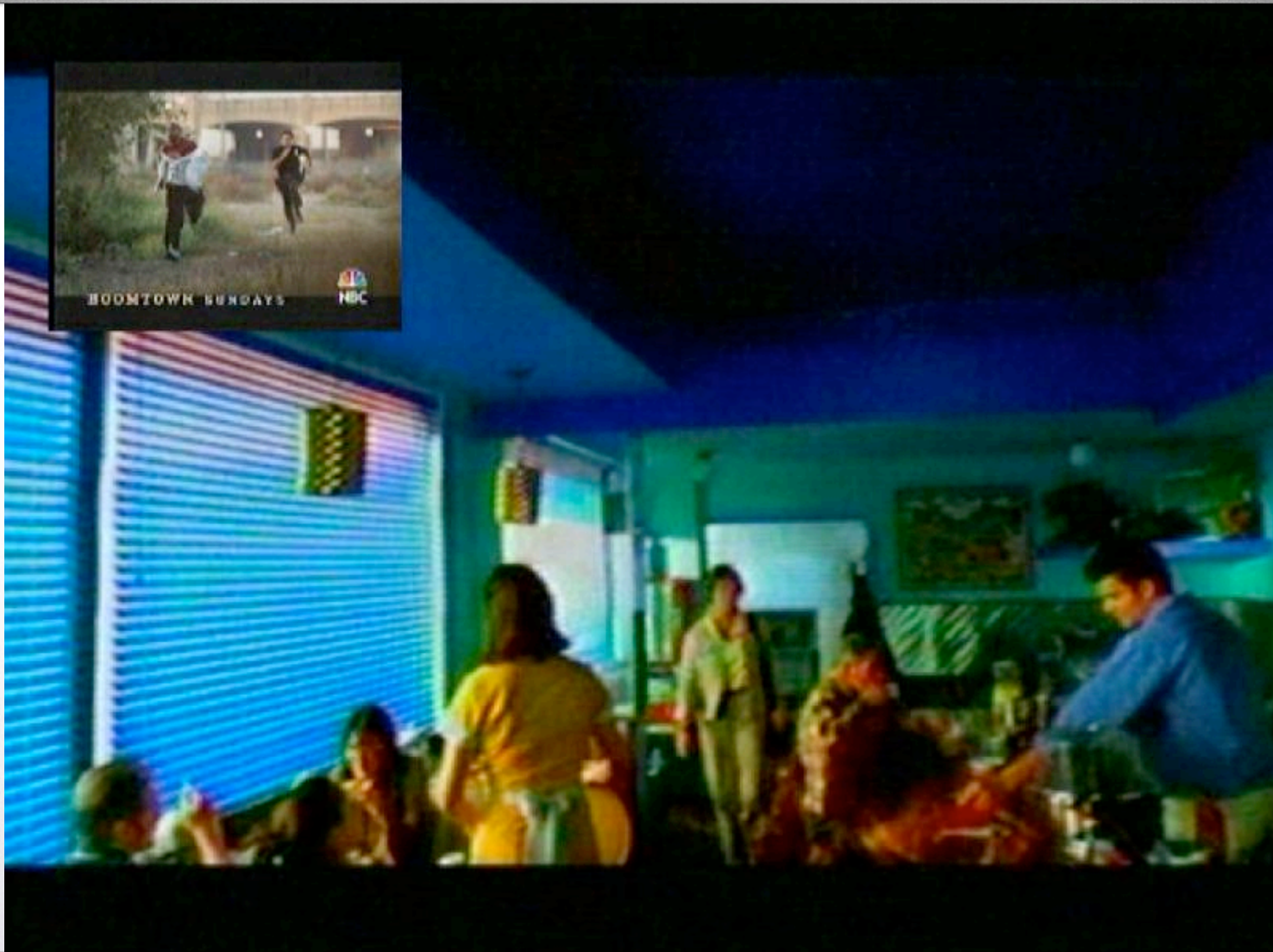
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1:55 pm

FOOD

The Best Of ...

Restaurant X and the Bully Bar, New York; The Ranch Hous





Law & Order

"Kid Pro Quo"

Wed Apr 30, 10:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Several people are suspects when the head of admissions for a private school is killed.



10:23 pm

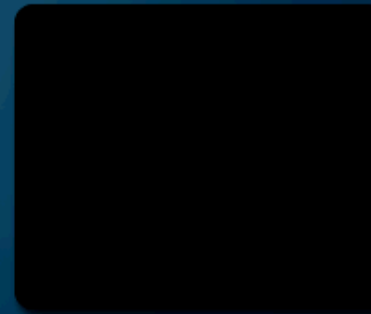
Not Recording

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73 TRAV	<	World Poker Tour (Travel)		Top Ten Predators Up Clo...	
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Select a program...

Select the title of the program you wish to find. When finished return with the left arrow key. Hitting 'info' will allow you to setup recording options.



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|---|--------------------------------------|--|
| 8 | Cry in the Wild: The Taking of Pe... | |
| 9 | Cry Wolf | |
| A | The Crying Game | |
| B | CSI: Crime Scene Investigation | |
| C | CSI: Miami | |
| D | Csonka Outdoors | |
| E | Cubix | |
| F | Cucina Sicilia | |
| G | Culinary Travels With Dave Eckert | |

(4) Program Guide ** (6) Program Finder **



Select a recording to view:

That '70s Show

The Agency

All Programs

CSI: Miami

Frank Herbert's Ch

Still Standing

The Agency - "Spy Finance" 4/12 10:00 pm

That '70s Show - "No Quarter" 4/2 8:00 pm

Frank Herbert's Children of D... 3/19 1:00 am

Frank Herbert's Children of D... 3/18 1:00 am

Frank Herbert's Children of D... 3/17 1:00 am

CSI: Miami - "Dispo Day" 3/10 10:00 pm

Still Standing - "Still Excelling" 3/10 9:30 pm

That '70s Show - "Your Tim..." 1/29 8:00 pm

CSI: Miami - "Ashes to Ashes" 1/13 10:00 pm



The Agency

"Spy Finance"

Airdate: Sat Apr 12, 10:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Channel: 7

Description: Gage and Quinn must deal with an organized crime leader involved with an al-Qaida cell.





Select a recording to permanently delete:

That '70s Show

The Agency

All Programs

CSI: Miami

Frank Herbert's Ch

Still Standing

Still Standing - "Still Rocking"	1/13	972 MB
CSI: Miami - "Ashes to Ashes"	1/13	1941 MB
That '70s Show - "Your Tim..."	1/29	952 MB
Still Standing - "Still Excelling"	3/10	971 MB
CSI: Miami - "Dispo Day"	3/10	1940 MB
Frank Herbert's Children of D...	3/17	4029 MB
Frank Herbert's Children of D...	3/18	3438 MB
Frank Herbert's Children of D...	3/19	4032 MB
That '70s Show - "No Quarter"	4/2	2071 MB



Still Standing

"Still Rocking"

Airdate: Mon Jan 13, 9:30 pm - 10:00 pm

Channel: 7

Description: Bill and Judy embarrass Lauren at a rock concert.



50% used, 30,565 MB free



- Ani DiFranco ~ In the Way
- Ani DiFranco ~ Icarus
- Ani DiFranco ~ Slide
- Ani DiFranco ~ O My My
- Ani DiFranco ~ Evolve**
- Ani DiFranco ~ Shrug
- Ani DiFranco ~ Phase
- Ani DiFranco ~ Here For Now
- Ani DiFranco ~ Second Intermission



Evolve
Ani DiFranco
Evolve



206 kbps 44.1 kHz ... 04:00 / 04:15

1 Shuffle: None

2 Repeat: All

3 Edit Playlist

4 Visualize





1994

1995

1996

1997

1998

1999

2000

Maze / Fighter

Platform / Fighter

Puzzle

Puzzle / Drop

Puzzle / Toss

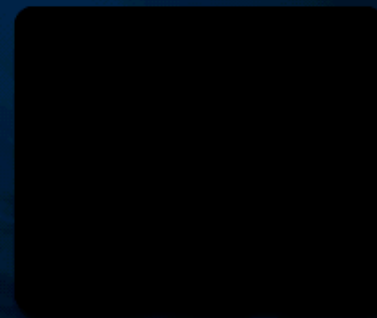
Quiz / Japanese

Shooter / Flying Vertical

Shooter / Walking

Sports

System: Mame
Year: 1997
Genre: Puzzle / Toss





SlideShow

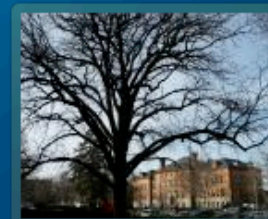
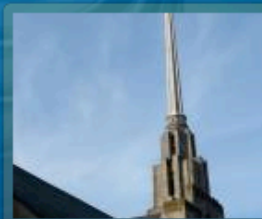
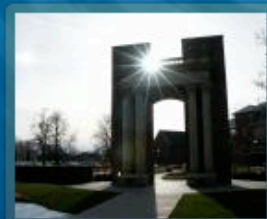
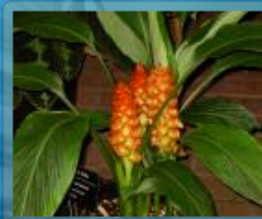
Rotate CW

Rotate CCW

Import

Settings

Fall Pictures





current conditions

TUE APR 15

4:28 PM

Willoughby, OH, USA (USOH1054)

Humidity 27%

Pressure 29.94 in

Wind W at 23 mph

Visibility Unlimited

Wind Chill 83 F

UV Index 5 (moderate)



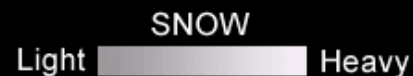
Mostly Cloudy

84^{°F}

Weather data from: 04/15/2003 13:45:00



doppler radar





Good Will Hunting

Directed by **Gus Van Sant**

Year: **1997**

Rated: **Rated R for strong language, including some sex-rela...**

Runtime: **126 minutes** Parental Level: **1**

Plot: **Will Hunting, a janitor at MIT, has a gift for mathematic...**

Filename: **/share/Movies/dvd/Good Will Hunting [DivX].avi**

Cover File: **/home/jdanner/.mythtv/MythVideo/gdhuntt_3.jpg**

IMDB Num.: **0119217**

Family Man, The	Brett Ratner	2000	↑
Fifth Element, The	Luc Besson	1997	
Game, The	David Fincher	1997	
Gone in Sixty Seconds	Dominic Sena	2000	
Good Will Hunting	Gus Van Sant	1997	
Kingpin	Bobby Farrelly	1996	
Ladies Man, The	Reginald Hudlin	2000	
Mallrats	Kevin Smith	1995	↓



video root

Ladies Man, The
Mallrats
Mickey Blue Eyes
Bittersweet Motel
Pulp Fiction
Remember the Titans
Requiem for a Dream
Reservoir Dogs
Robin Hood: Men in Tights

Pulp Fiction

File: **Pulp Fiction [DivX].avi**

Player: **mplayer**





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Rip/Transcode

Perfect DVD Rip of 12 Monkeys



Ripping to file ~ 01:00/14:35



Job 1 of 1



0 New Rip

9 Cancel Job



Arstechnica >

BSD Today

Bureau 42

CNN

CNN Europe

Daemon News

desktopian.org

dot.kde.org

Judge rules Lindows-backed refund site invalid

Internet savvy more akin to anti-boob tube man than geeks

Sony beefs up the mini-disc, finally

National Geographic tries digital photography

Kodak cutting film camera sales in the West

The Internet gives a voice to Death Row, but not everyone'...

The answer to video piracy... not quite.

Et Cetera: bu-bu-bu-baby production complete, commander



Kodak cutting film camera sales in the West

Eastman Kodak has announced that they will no longer be selling film-based cameras in the US, Western European, and Canadian markets.

Updated
Wed Jan 14
09:20 PM

mythNews



Demo



Questions?



Links

MythTV - <http://www.mythtv.org>
KnoppMyth - <http://mysettopbox.tv>

Presentation -
<http://www.wallbridge.net/MythTV.pdf>



Thanks