

## Re: fc2 is single user?!

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On Wed, Jun 30, 2004 at 10:09:48AM -0400, Sam Steingold wrote:

> *it appears that fc2 is now single-user.*

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> *we used to use the fc1 computer like this:*

> *my wife and I each log in on one's own virtual console and start X with*

> *"startx". each has one's own X window session, and we can switch*

> *between them with C-M-f7 and C-M-f8 (obviously, we take turns using the*

> *monitor/keyboard, but we do not need to logout to let the other use the*

> *computer). I had to do some tricks to enable both of us to use*

> *audio/video &c: I created a group "sound", added both of us to it, and*

> *did "chgrp sound, chmod g+rw" for the audio devices. This worked OK*

> *(although each upgrade and reboot reset ownership and permissions).*

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> *Now, only the person who was the first to log in can start X!*

> *the other one gets the splash screen (which says FC2) but no icons ever*

> *appear on it, it just hangs there.*

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> *So, where are these ownerships and permissions set so that I can make*

> *my box multi-user again?*

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I'm not sure how it ever worked in FC1, but my systems default to

letting me only start 1 X session. Try having the second user do

startx -- :1. This will tell xinit to start a second X server.

Try man startx and man xinit to get more details on why this works.

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