

[Resolved?] Re: Nautilus file .exe file associations

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Matthew Kuiken wrote:

Anybody?

After a little more research I found that I am not the only one with this problem, see:

[http://ubuntuforums.org/showthread.php?s=cab6e36d1f572ba0cdd6dff5ba23d412&t=187777&highlight=File association with .exe](http://ubuntuforums.org/showthread.php?s=cab6e36d1f572ba0cdd6dff5ba23d412&t=187777&highlight=File+association+with+.exe)

I'm not into deleting entire .local directories so I'd prefer to figure out the problem some other way.

Anybody?

I don't have this problem, as I don't use wine, but I would bet that deleting ~/.local/share/mime would do the trick, rather than needing to delete the whole tree. This will probably still require you to set up any mime types you changed locally for yourself, but would not lose menu entries and the like.

To test the theory, I would recommend moving the directory somewhere else, log out, and log back in, then check if nautilus still has a problem. If there are settings that are lost by this, and you really want them back, you can just move the folder back from where you moved it to. Always back things like this up before you try the nuclear option...

-Matt

What I did is copy the ~/.local directory to a backup folder, then instead of deleting the original, I renamed the ~/.local/share/ folder to ~/.local/share_old/. I also renamed the subfolder ~/.local/share/mime to ~/.local/share/mime_old. That worked, even after a reboot. All the

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Applications menus are intact & working, all the file associations seem to now be working and correct, and double-clicking the applicable files in Nautilus brings up the proper associated applications.

Now I guess the question would be: why did that work?

Taking a look through the GNOME bugzilla reports for 2.13/2.14 (I have 2.14.3) shows a considerable amount of opened bugs for Nautilus (136):

<http://bugzilla.gnome.org/reports/gnome-214-report.html>

GNOME 2.15/2.16 shows 46

(<http://bugzilla.gnome.org/reports/gnome-216-report.html>). So perhaps it is a GNOME/Nautilus problem rather than Ubuntu related.

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