

Re: Video Problem in Ubuntu 8.04

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Hi Michael

On Tue, Jun 17, 2008 at 9:18 PM, Michael TheZorch Haney <thezorch@xxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

I'm new to Ubuntu and I have a few problems. I really like it, I ran 7.10 as my main OS on my desktop system for a long time before it blew up on me. I've decided that now that 8.04 is out I'd install Ubuntu again. Well I have problems getting video to work right. Basically, when I installed the Nvidia graphic card drivers via "Hardware Drivers" my desktop is fix at 640x480 and there are no other resolution options available. I am visual impaired and I love the full desktop zoom and the ability to inverse the colors with Compiz Fusion. It puts the Vista Aero Glass desktop to shame. Can anyone give me some advice. Below are my desktop system specs and another problem I've having with my new laptop and Ubuntu.

Here is my configuration

Motherboard: PC-Chips K7 SiS Chipset (Compatible with up to 333MHz FSB AMD CPUs, 400MHz Overclockable)
CPU: AMD Athlon XP 2000+ 1.2 GHz (Not Overclocked)
OS#1: Windows XP Professional SP2 (For games that Wine cannot run)
OS#2: Ubuntu Hardy Heron 8.04 (via Wubi)
RAM: 2GB PC2700
Video Card: 8x AGP Nvidia Geforce FX 5600 w/256MB DDR RAM
Monitor: VGA Compatible 21inch Sum Microsystems Monitor (max resolution capable of 1280x1024)
NIC: SiS 900 Ethernet Controller
Sound Card: Sound Blaster LIVE 32-bit Internal
Hard Drive1: 160GB Maxstor ATA133 (NTFS)
Hard Drive2: 80GB Western Digital ATA100 (NTFS)
Optical Drive: 16x NEC DVD+/-RW

I have a laptop which I've been trying to get Ubuntu to on run on but I'm having lots of trouble with a few things.

First, Hardware Drivers installs the drivers and says they are In Use for my Athena AR5007EG Wireless Adapter, yet I've found nothing which

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will let me configure a connection to my router or search for hotshots. The second problem is that I can get the GLX desktop started. Hardware Drivers downloads and installs the drivers but when I try to enable the desktop effects in Appearances I get the message that they failed to start and Hardware Drivers shows the drivers installed but Not In Use.

Here is my laptop configuration:

Model: Acer Aspire 4520

CPU: AMD64x2 1.8GHz

RAM: 1GB DDR2

OS#1: Windows Vista Home Premium SP1

OS#2: Ubuntu Hardy Heron 8.04 AMD64 Version (via Wubi)

Video Card: Nvidia Geforce 7000M/nForce 610M (256MB Dedicated RAM, 383 Max Turbocache)

NIC: Nvidia nForce Network Controller (works just fine in Ubuntu)

WiFi: Athena AR2007EG 802.11b/g

Sound Card: RealTech HD Audio

Hard Drive: 120GB Toshiba ATA

Optical Drive: Optiarc DVD-RW ATA

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I'm gathering you installed the driver through synaptic? I personally prefer to install the nVidia drivers via the envy script which seems to do a bang up job on ++most++ systems that i've

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