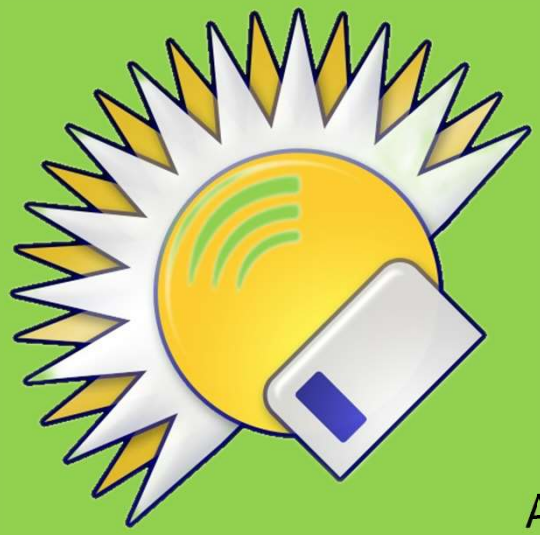

Directory Opus: the Ultimate Windows Explorer Replacement

A presentation by Serge-Érik Thériault (September 13, 2023)

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What is Directory Opus?

- **Directory Opus is a complete replacement for Explorer (Win + E) , with far more power and functionality than any other file manager available today.**
- Single or dual pane file display and folder trees
- Fully configurable user interface—colors, fonts, toolbars, keyboard hotkeys, and a full scripting interface let you tailor Opus exactly to suit your needs
- Tabbed interface let you keep multiple folders open and switch quickly between them
- Quickly filter, sort, group and search your folders
- Color-code your files, assign status icons, star ratings, tags and descriptions
- View images, documents, media files, and more
- View and edit file metadata
- Image marking lets you sort your photos quickly and easily
- Batch renaming, including easy-to-use keyboard macros
- Synchronization and duplicate file finder built-in tools
- Print or export folder listings
- Support for FTP and archive formats like Zip, 7Zip and RAR
- Portable version, and much, much more!

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What are the differences between Light and Pro Versions?

≈CAN$43

The **Light edition** is designed for home users who need a simple, high-performance file manager. It includes all the essential features of the Pro edition, without a lot of the more complex "power-user" functionality.

≈CAN$78

The **Pro edition** is designed for power users who want to get the most out of their computer. It has all the features of the Light edition, plus it expands upon the complexity and configurability to give you the ultimate file manager solution for Windows.

- If you're not sure which version is right for you, you can switch back and forth freely between Pro and Light during the **30-day evaluation** period using the Licence Manager.
- If you'd like to give the Pro edition a better test, you can request a free **60 day evaluation**. And if you buy the Light version, you can upgrade to Pro later for only the difference in price (* Applies to same major version only).

Light/Pro Common Functionalities

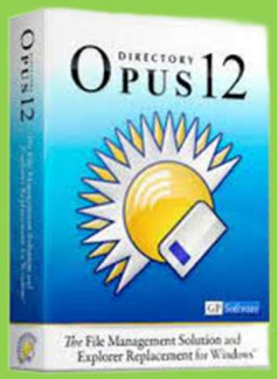
	Light	Pro
Fast and powerful file management functions including copy queuing and batch file renaming and full UAC support	✓	✓
Dual-pane, tabbed interface	✓	✓
Configure your own toolbar buttons and menus	✓	✓
Powerful searching, sorting, grouping and filtering functions including integrated Windows Search	✓	✓
Integrated image and document viewer	✓	✓
Native support for archives (ZIP, 7-Zip, RAR, etc) and Libraries	✓	✓
Option for portable USB version	✓	✓
Technical support and free minor updates	✓	✓
Efficient, native C++ multi-threaded design	✓	✓
Available in 32/64 bit versions, and in multiple languages	✓	✓

Pro Version Functionalities

Windows Explorer replacement including desktop double-click to launch	✓
Completely configure the user interface including the default toolbars, menus and icons	✓
Create floating toolbars and system-wide hotkeys to launch programs from anywhere in Windows	✓
Improved file management functions including recursive filters, secure delete, UAC administrator mode, multiple undo levels and logging	✓
Synchronize, Duplicate File Finder, file Split and Join functions	✓
Create complex multi-line scripts and add your own commands to the existing internal command set	✓
Full Active Scripting-compatible scripting interface	✓
Read/write support for archive formats other than ZIP	✓
Integrated FTP support	✓
Native support for portable devices (MTP) like phones, tablets and cameras	✓
Integrated metadata editing	✓
Use Flat View mode and File Collections to better manage your files	✓
Open multiple windows easily, create your own pre-defined layouts or Lister styles	✓
Create stored queries using Windows Search for instant access to complex search results	✓
Priority technical support, discounts on future major upgrades	✓

Price options

- Directory Opus is licensed on a per-machine basis.
- All Pro licences **include a free personal laptop licence**.
- All licences entitle you to free lifetime electronic technical support.
- The 32 and 64-bit versions of Opus are interchangeable (you can use either).
- All minor upgrades (for the same major version number) are free of charge.



Pricing options **(CAN$ on 2023-09-08):**

- **Directory Opus Light**
  Single machine licence – $49 AUD **(CAN$43)**
- **Directory Opus Pro Single**
  Single machine licence + 1 personal laptop – AUD$89 **(CAN$78)**
- **Directory Opus Pro Dual**
  Two machine licence + 1 personal laptop – AUD$129 **(CAN$113)**
- **Directory Opus Pro Five**
  Five machine licence + 1 personal laptop – AUD$249 **(CAN$217)**

Directory Opus Black Friday Sale 2022

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Follow up.

DESCRIPTION		UNIT PRICE
Directory Opus 12 Upgrade - Directory Opus Pro Five - Advanced FTP - 5 USB Export licences	Sept. 11, 2016	AUD 146.00 CAN$128

Announcing the Black Friday 2022 sale from Directory Opus

OK we know it's not Friday yet - we just couldn't wait!

Until November 30th, everything Directory Opus-related is 40% off! That means:

- Directory Opus Light is 40% off
- Directory Opus Pro is 40% off
- Upgrades from Opus 11 or earlier to Opus 12 are 40% off
- Extra licences are 40% off
- Optional features like Advanced FTP and USB export are 40% off

2016
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$128 ÷ 7 years = **$18.28/year**

It's all 40% off! :)

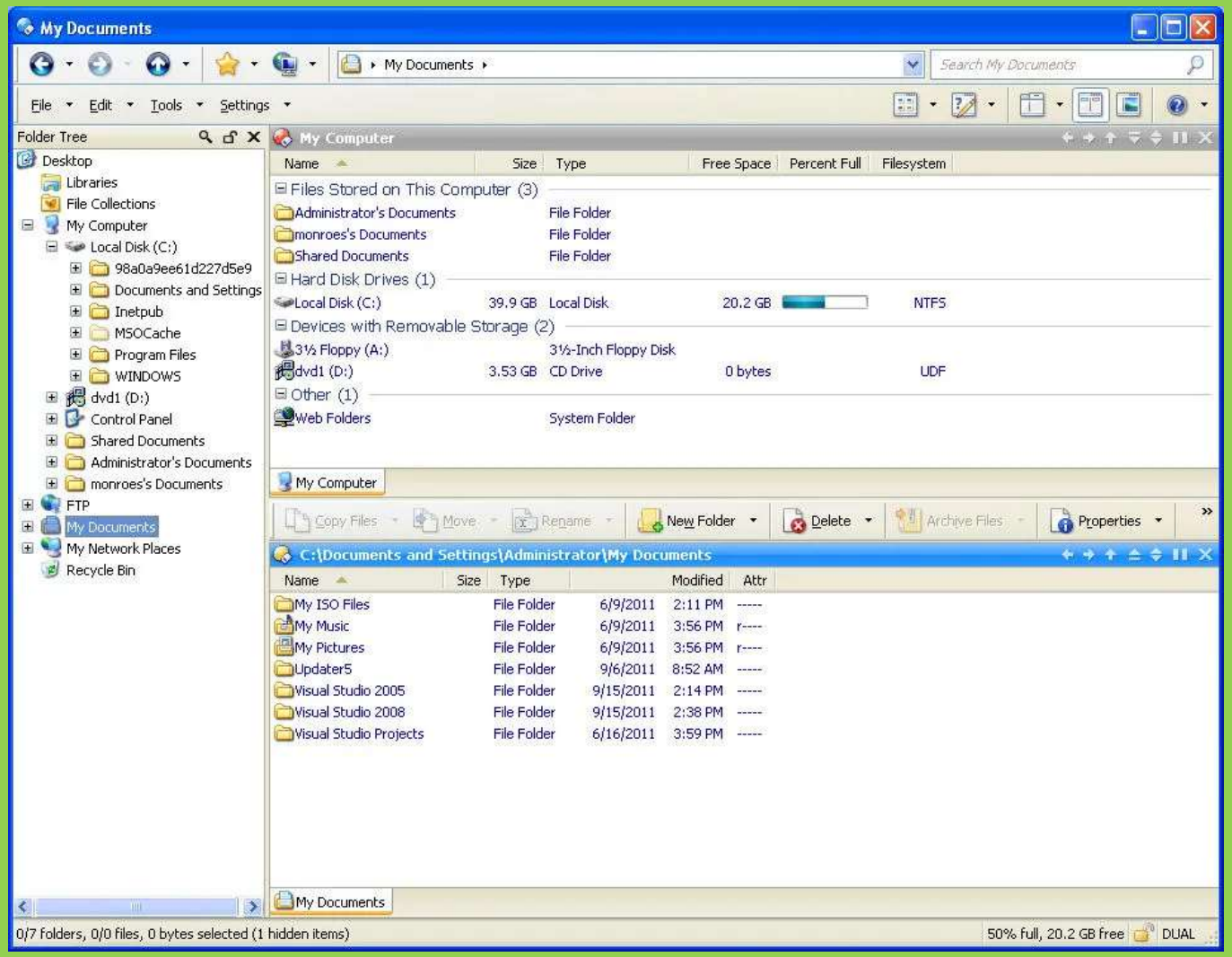
To take advantage of this sale, use the coupon code **BF2022NOV** before November 30th, 2022.

- To upgrade or buy new copies of Opus 12, visit the Directory Opus online purchase page.
- To add licences and optional features to your existing licence, login to the My Account page.
- Discount applies to personal licences (maximum 5 installs) only. Only available from the GP Software website.

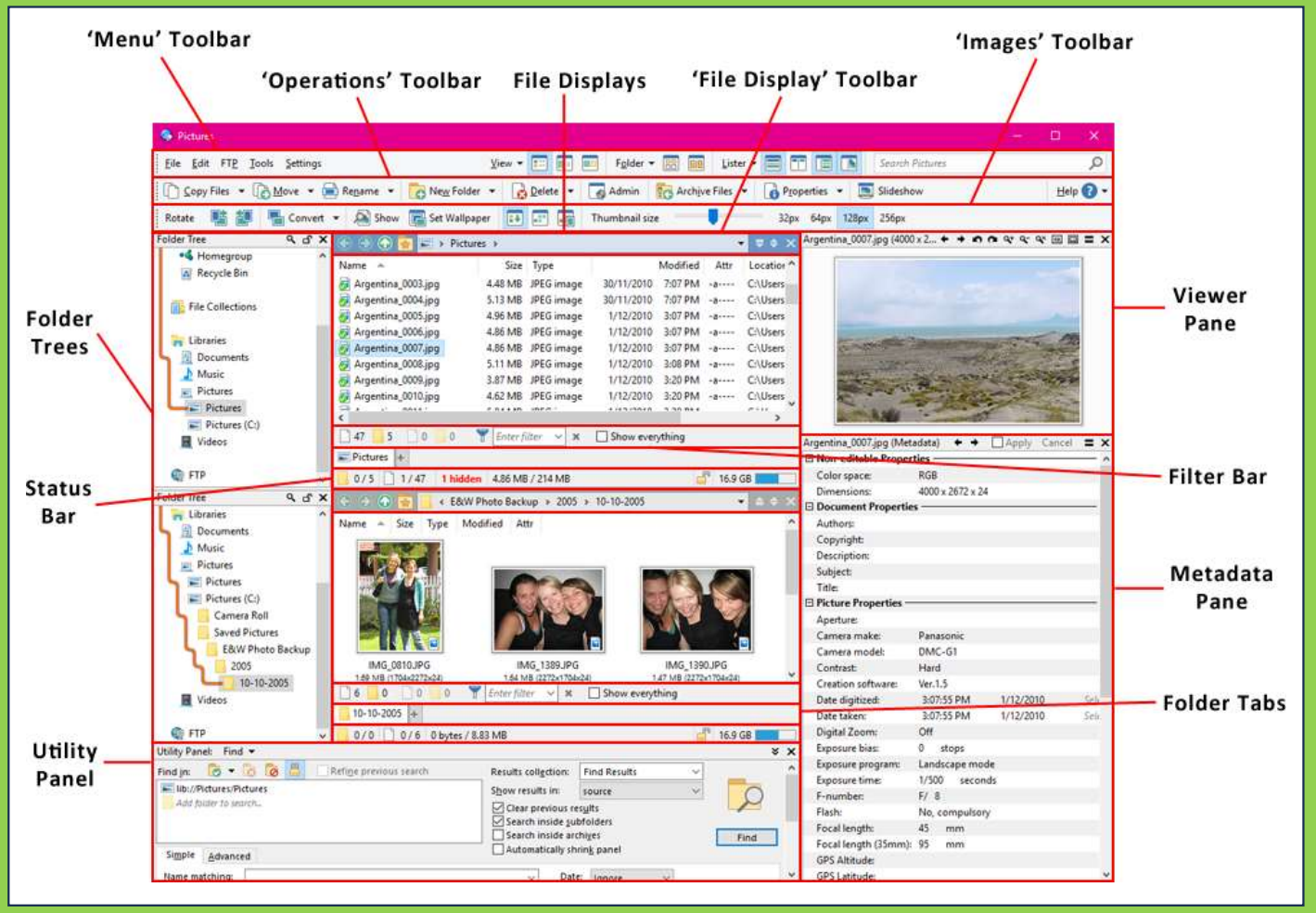
All the best,
Greg & Jon
GP Software, Brisbane, Australia

Lister Interface (1 Tree + Dual Horizontal Panes)

At first look, Directory Opus could easily be mistaken for “just another file manager”.

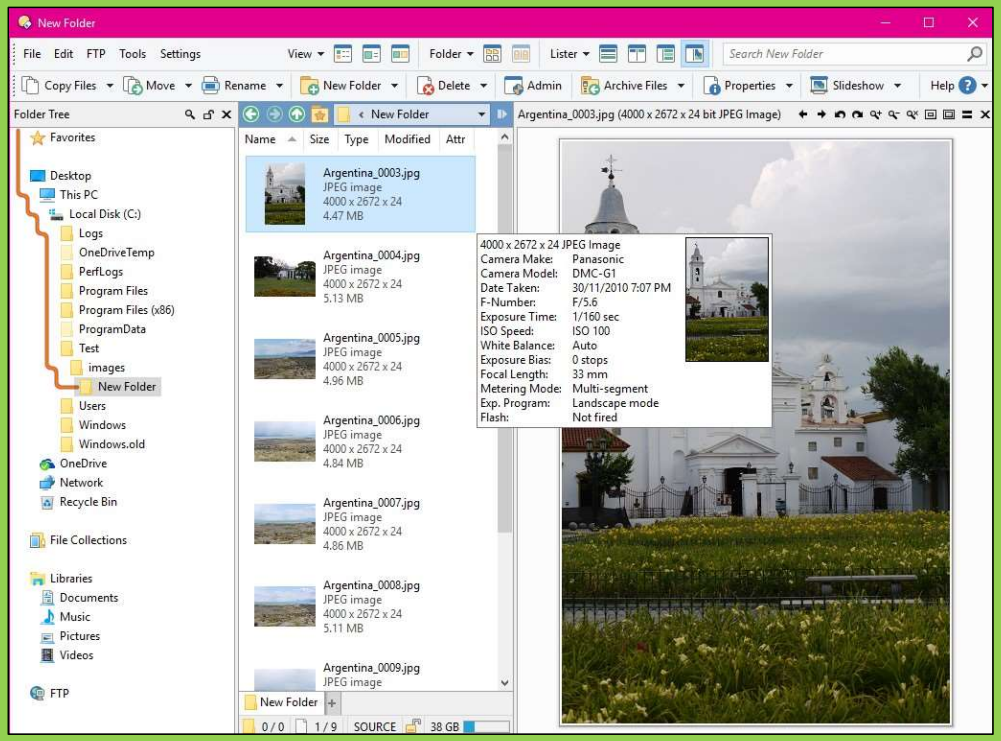


The Different Components of the Default Lister



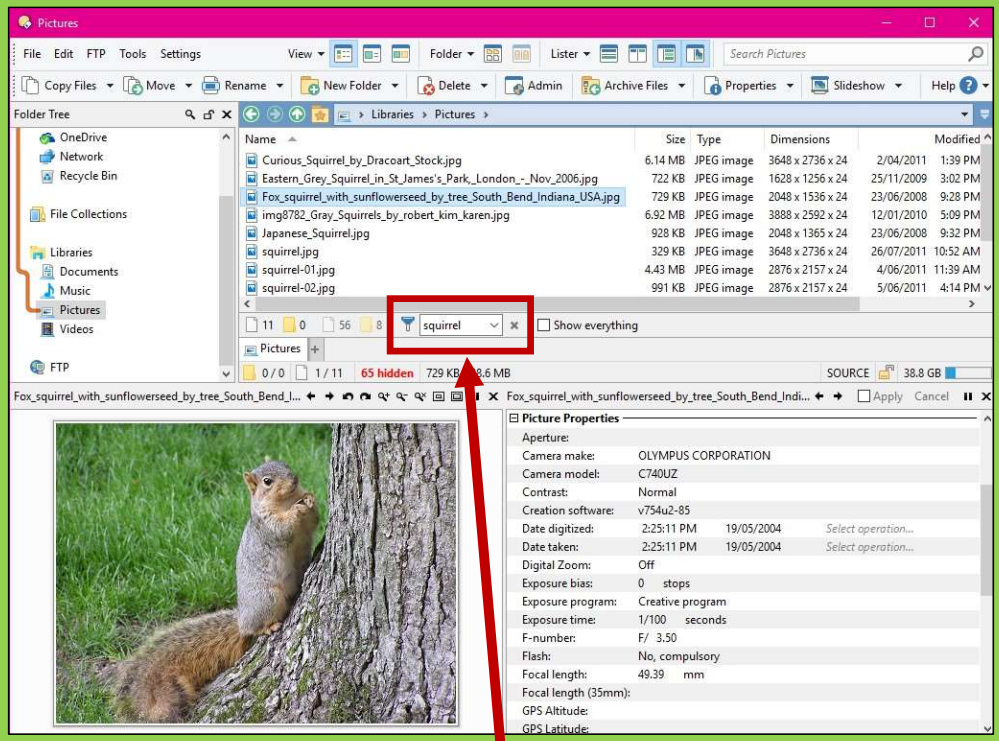
Default Single Display

Single display (with tree + Viewer Pane)



Tiles mode, with viewer pane displayed.

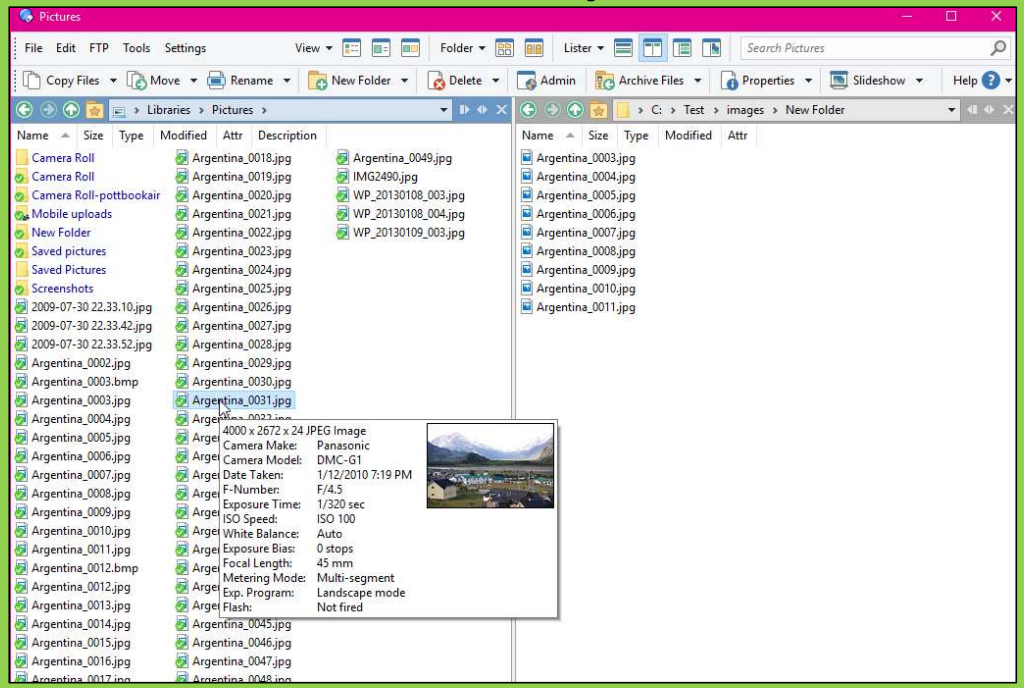
Single display in details mode



The file list has been filtered to show only files matching the specified keyword. At the bottom, the viewer pane and the metadata pane are both displayed.

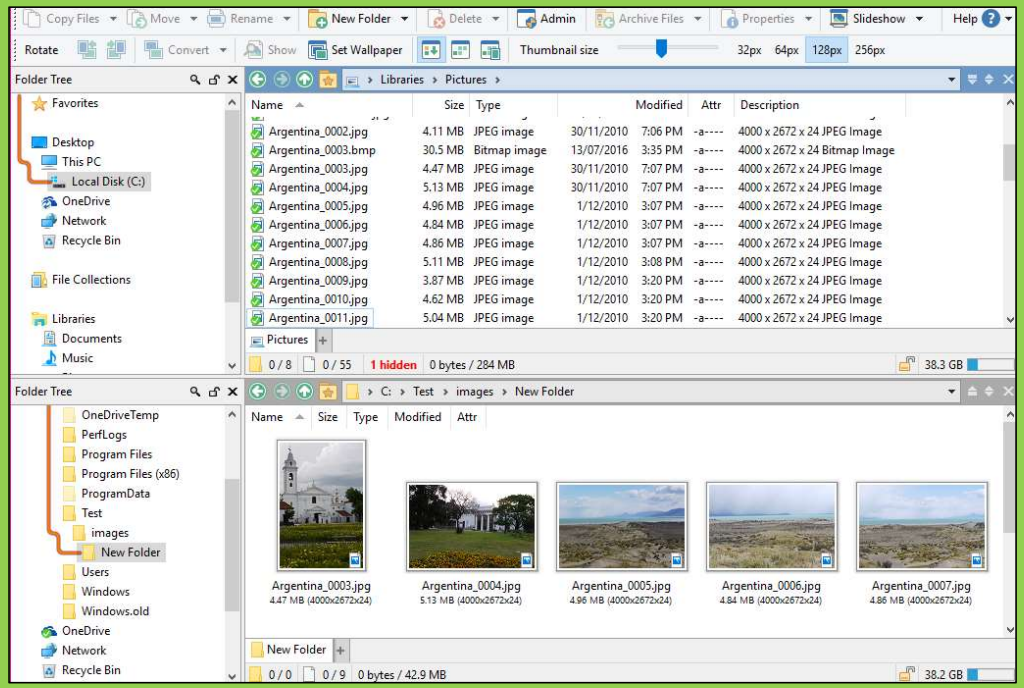
Default Dual Display

Vertical layout



Dual display (vertical layout) without trees (this is the Commander style). Both file displays are in list mode, showing popup tooltip for an image file.

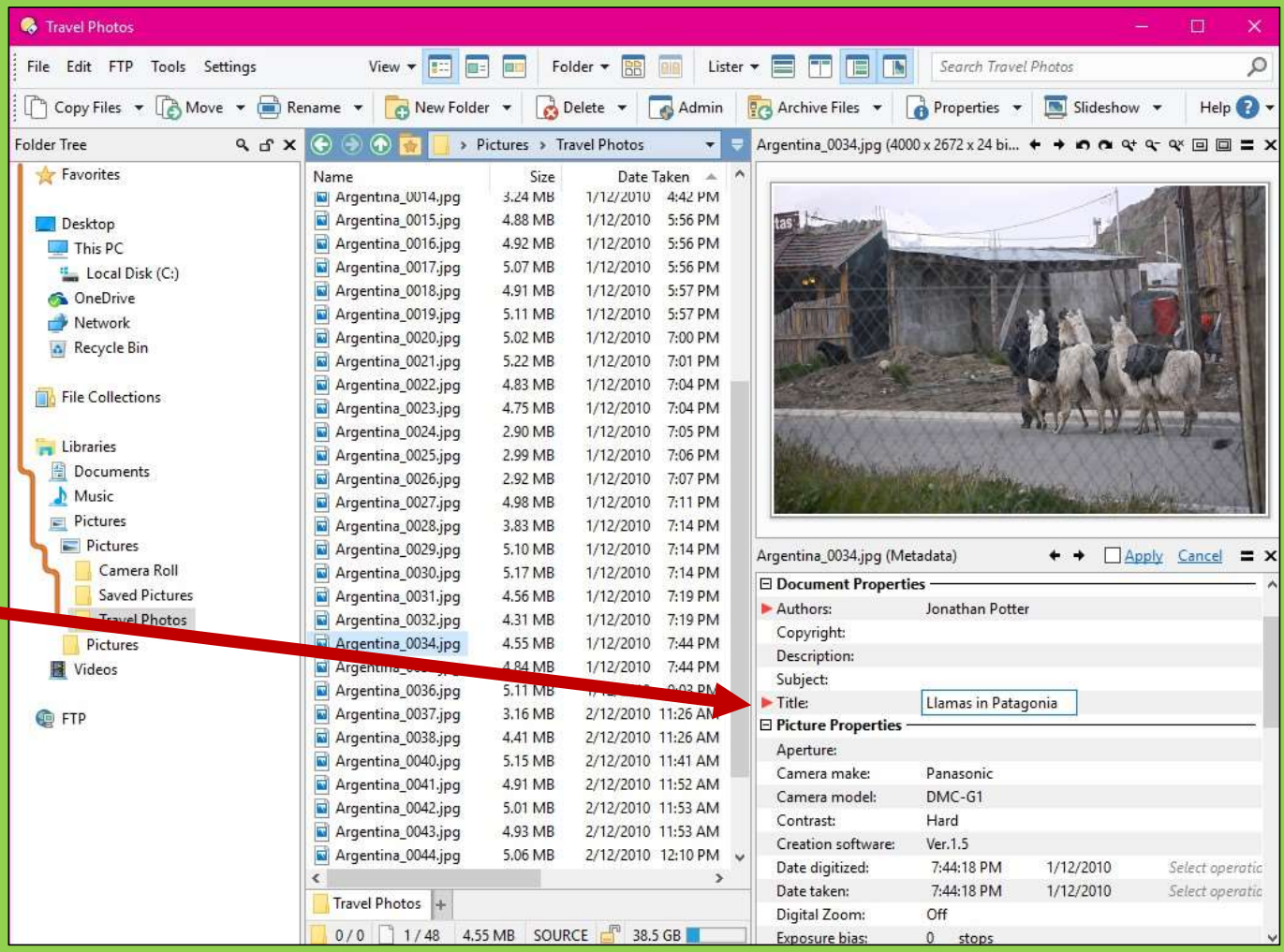
Horizontal Layout



Dual display (horizontal layout) with dual trees. Top display is in details mode, showing descriptions for the images files in the Pictures library, and bottom display is in thumbnails mode.

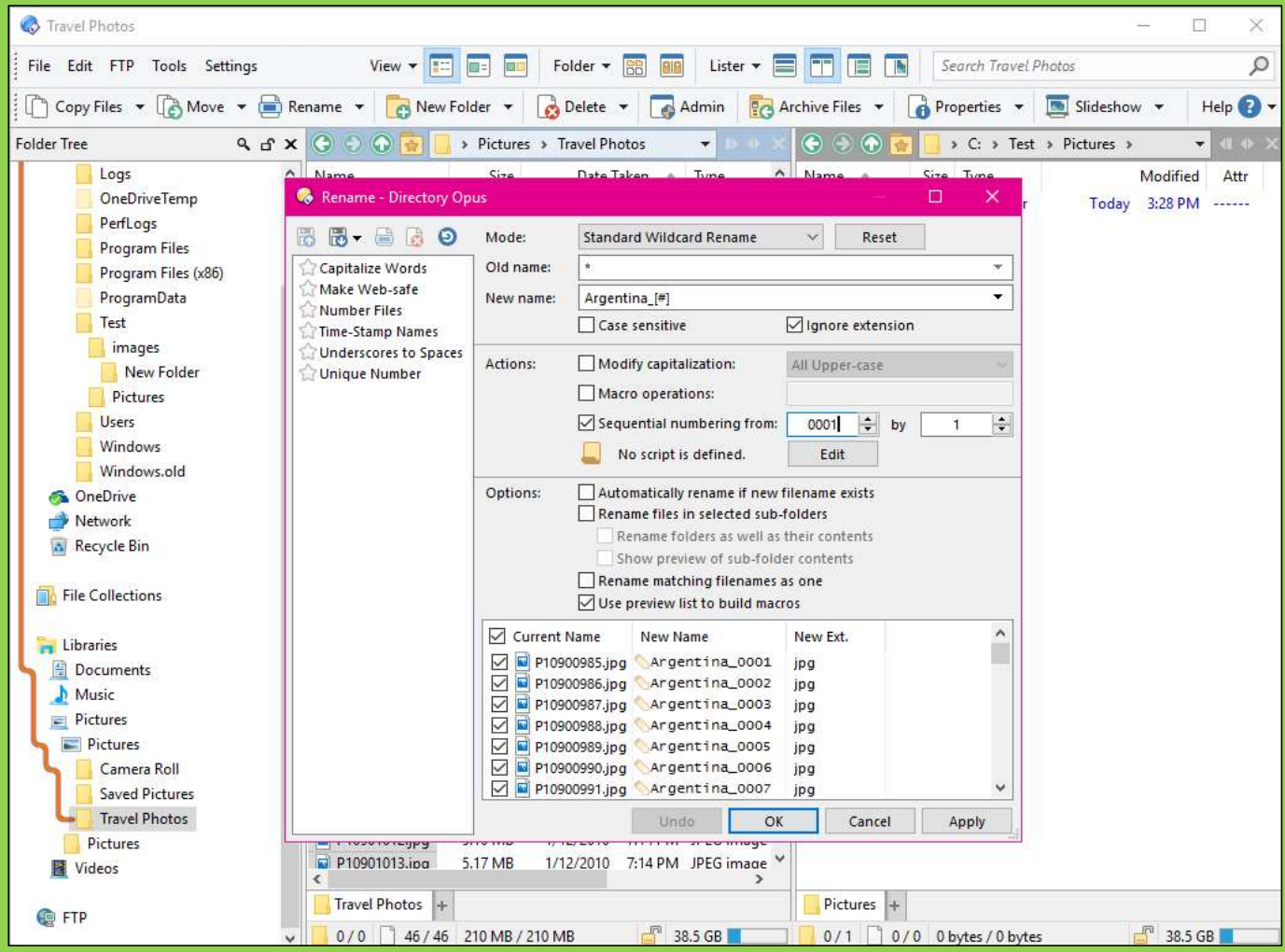
Metadata Pane

Editing the metadata for a JPEG photo using the metadata pane.



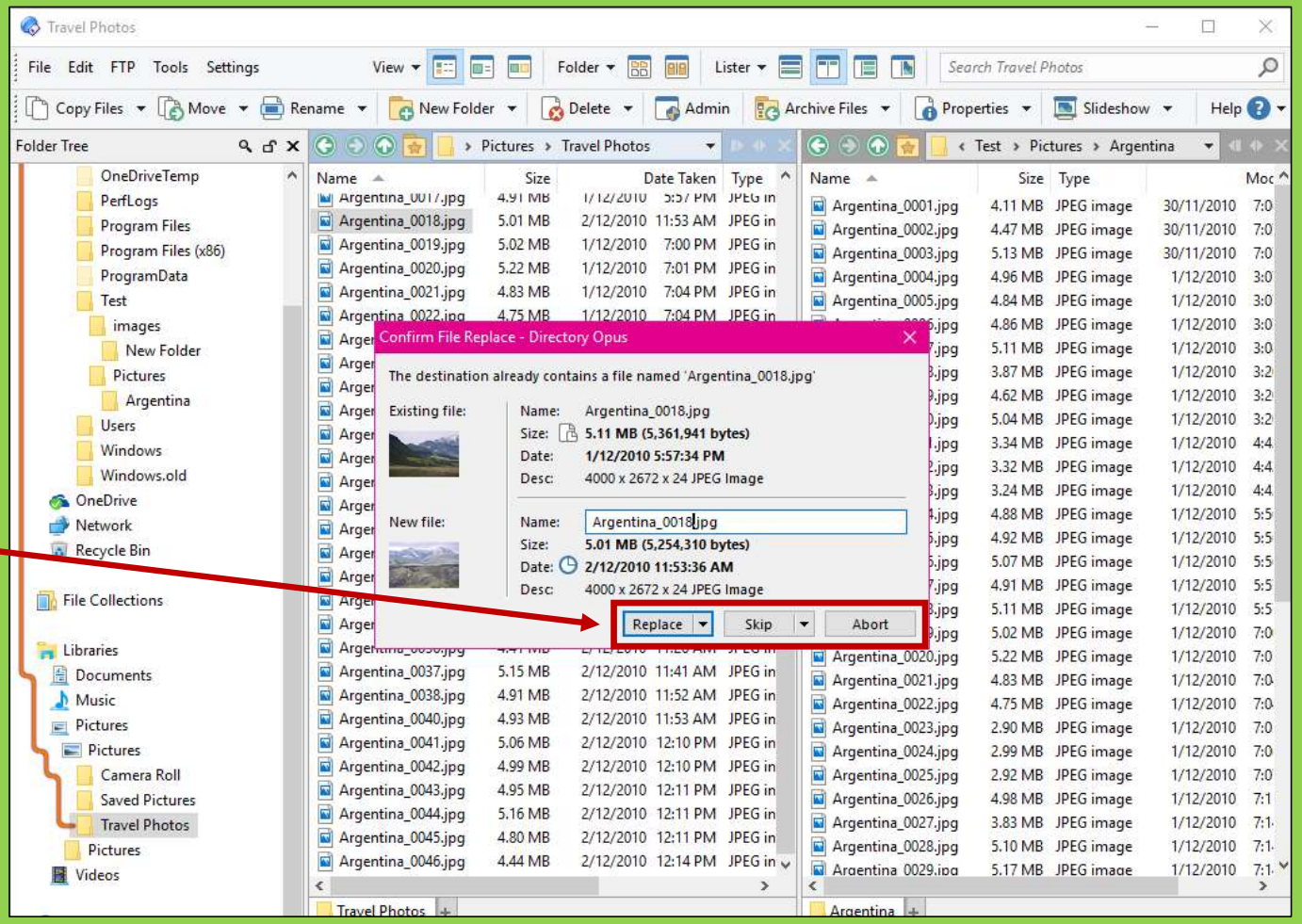
Batch renaming image files

Batch renaming image files (with sequential numbering) showing real-time preview.



The “Confirm File Replace” dialog window

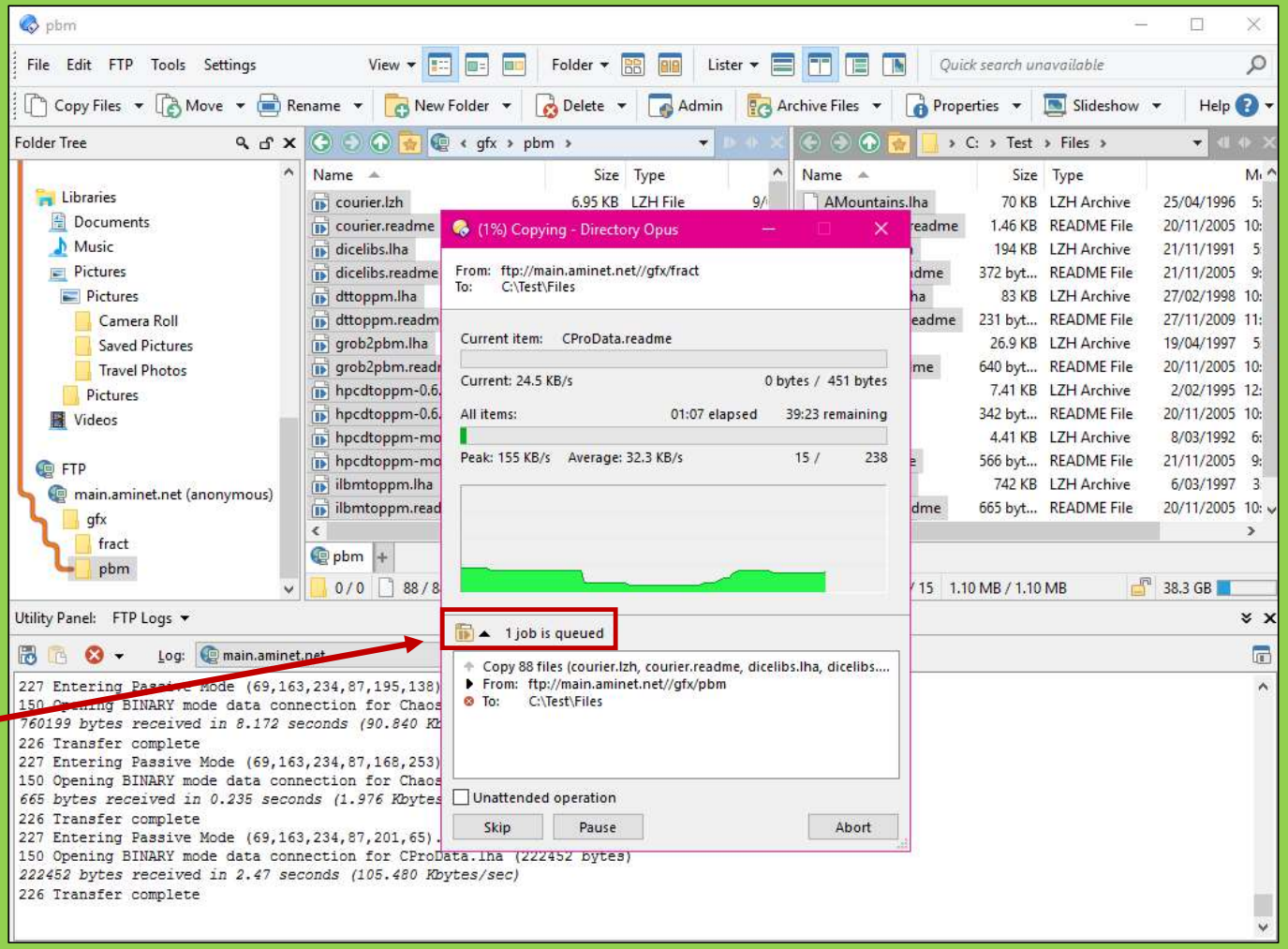
Copying files (with more option buttons at the bottom of the dialog box).



Integrated FTP Client

Copying files from a remote FTP site to a local folder.

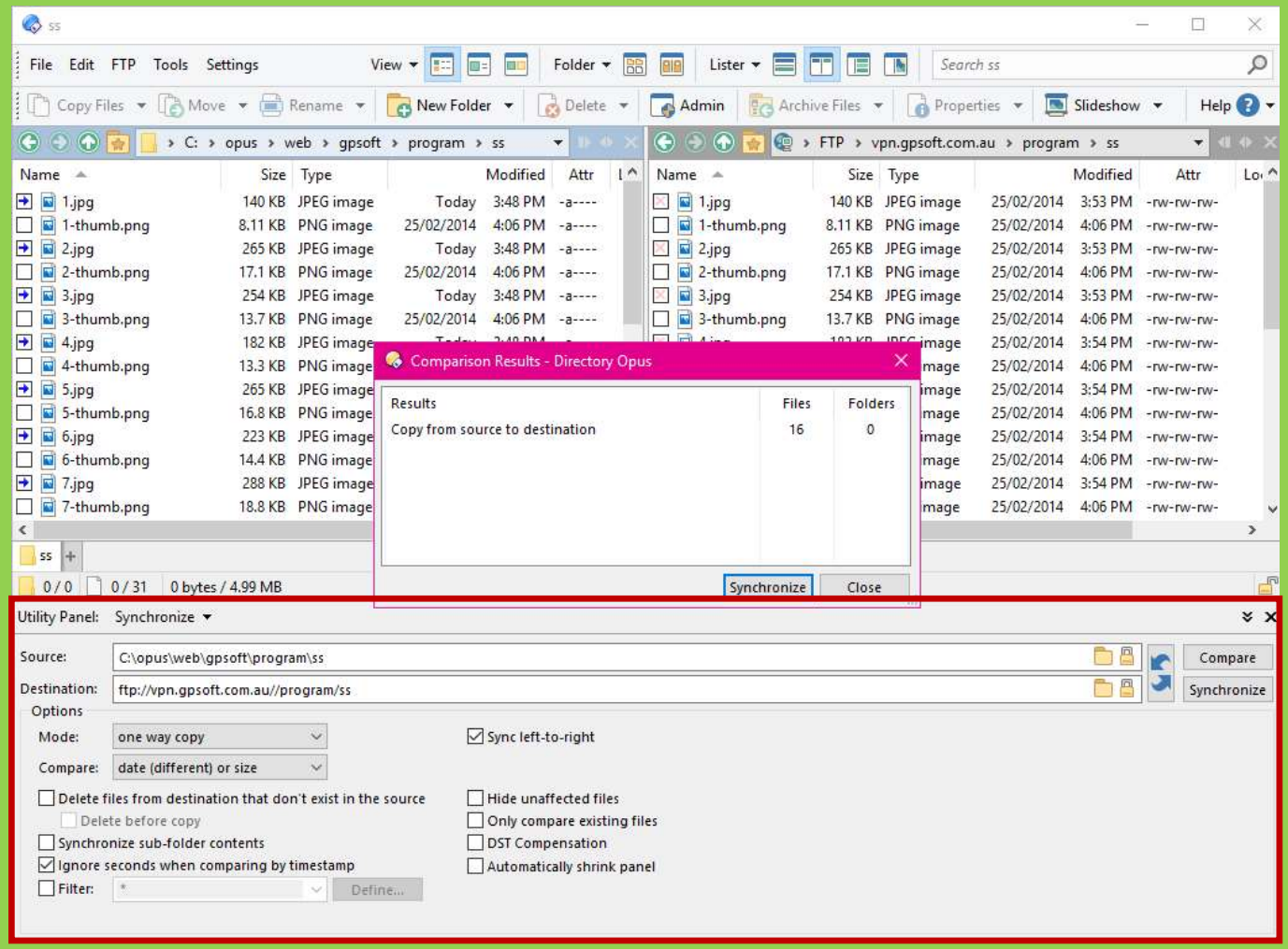
A copy job is queued to begin once the current copy completes.



File Synchronization

The synchronize tool supports both one-way and two-way synchronization.

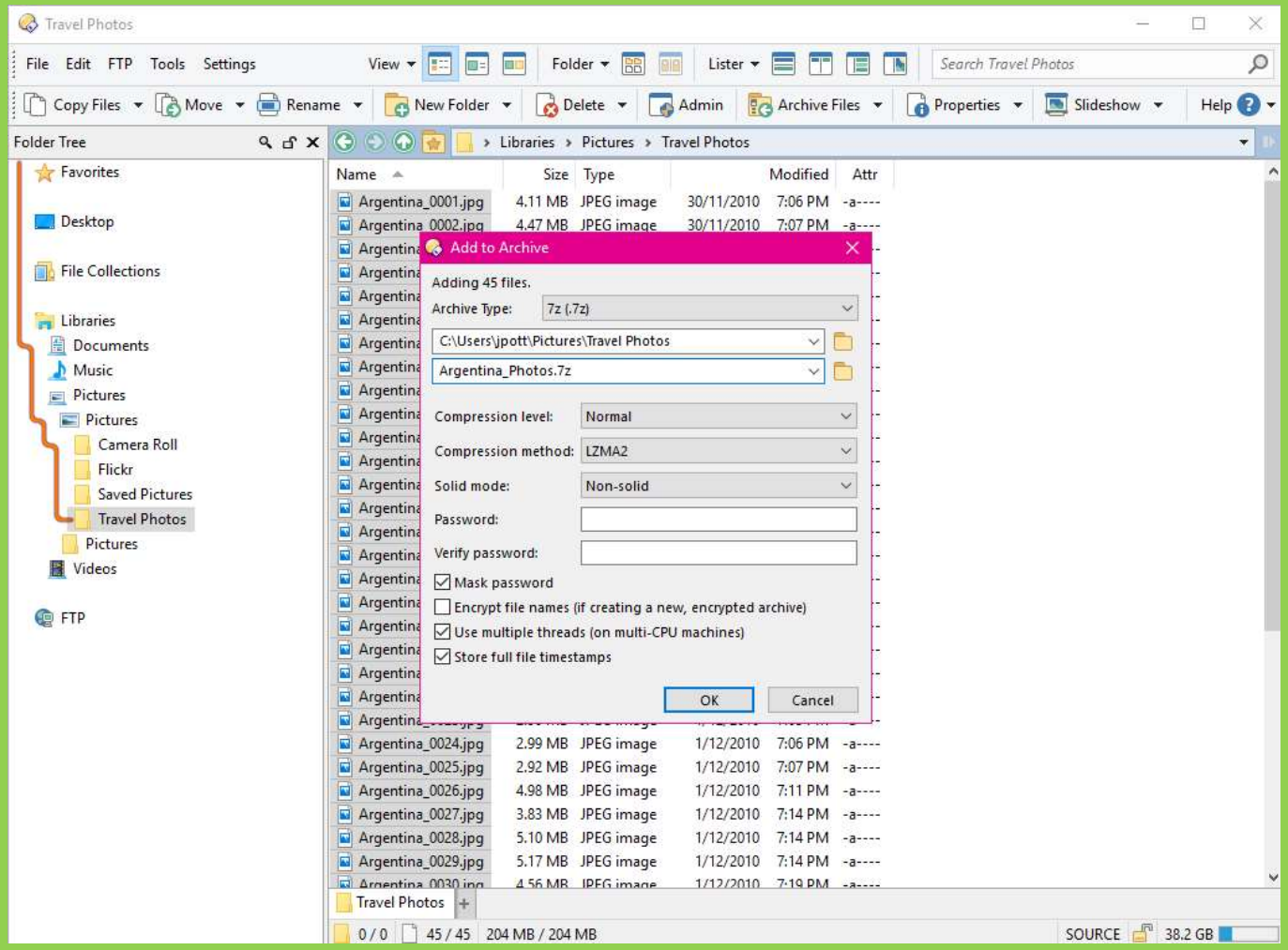
In this image the synchronization is between a local folder and a remote FTP site



Advanced Search

The advanced search lets you find files by attributes and metadata.

Here the search is for images modified within the past two years that are at least 1280x1024 pixels in size.

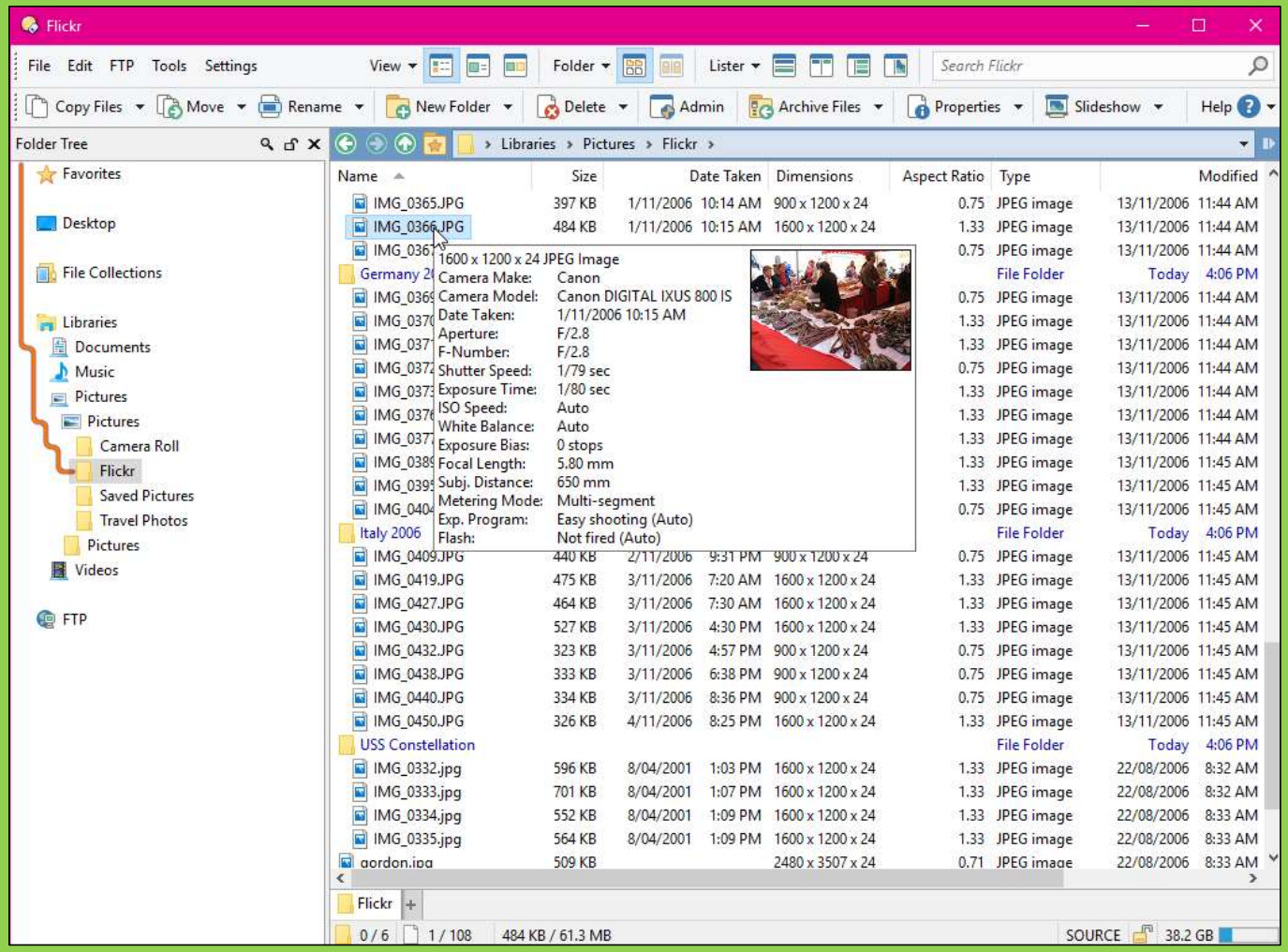


Flat View™

Flat View™ lets you display the contents of all sub-folders at once.

This is particularly useful for organizing files with a complicated folder structure

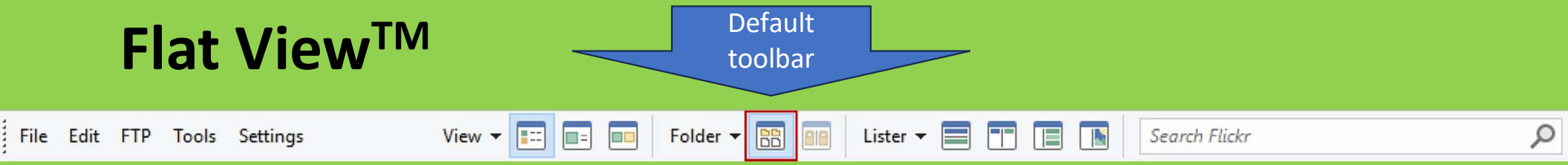
Also displayed are some of the many picture information columns you can add to the file display.

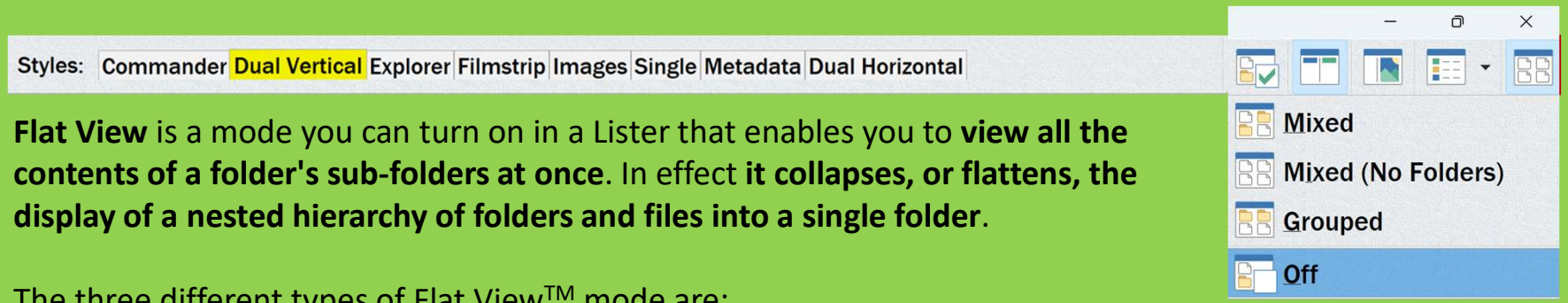


Why I chose Directory Opus over all other Windows/File Explorers

- As you know from my presentation **How to get paid software for free daily … totally legally!**, I test a lot of software, and I was looking for a way to sort them and get better and quicker access to them.
- At the same time, I was looking for a way to replace the **Windows Start** menu, which was too limited for my needs.
- Looking at Directory Opus, I discovered that you can create quick-link buttons not only to your favourite **directories** and **files**, including **media files**, but also to **websites,** and most importantly for me, to **installed programs** on your computer, which is exactly what I was looking for!
- I also discovered the **file name color coding** feature …
- … the **toolbars**, especially the **Tabbar** …
- … the **customization** possibilities...
- … and the **Flat View™** functionalities …

Flat View™





Flat View is a mode you can turn on in a Lister that enables you to **view all the contents of a folder's sub-folders at once**. In effect **it collapses, or flattens, the display of a nested hierarchy of folders and files into a single folder**.

The three different types of Flat View™ mode are:

1. **Mixed:** Displays the contents of the current folder and all its sub-folders (and all their sub-folders, and so on recursively) as if they were all in the one location.

2. **Mixed (No Folders):** Displays all the files in the current folder and all sub-folders as if they were all in the one location. Sub-folders themselves are hidden from the display.

3. **Grouped:** Displays the contents of all sub-folders as a tree hierarchy.

https://www.gpsoft.com.au/help/opus12/index.html#!Documents/Flat_View.htm

Flat ViewTM Explained by Shane Monroe (5:12)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6fMeJmkD_Go

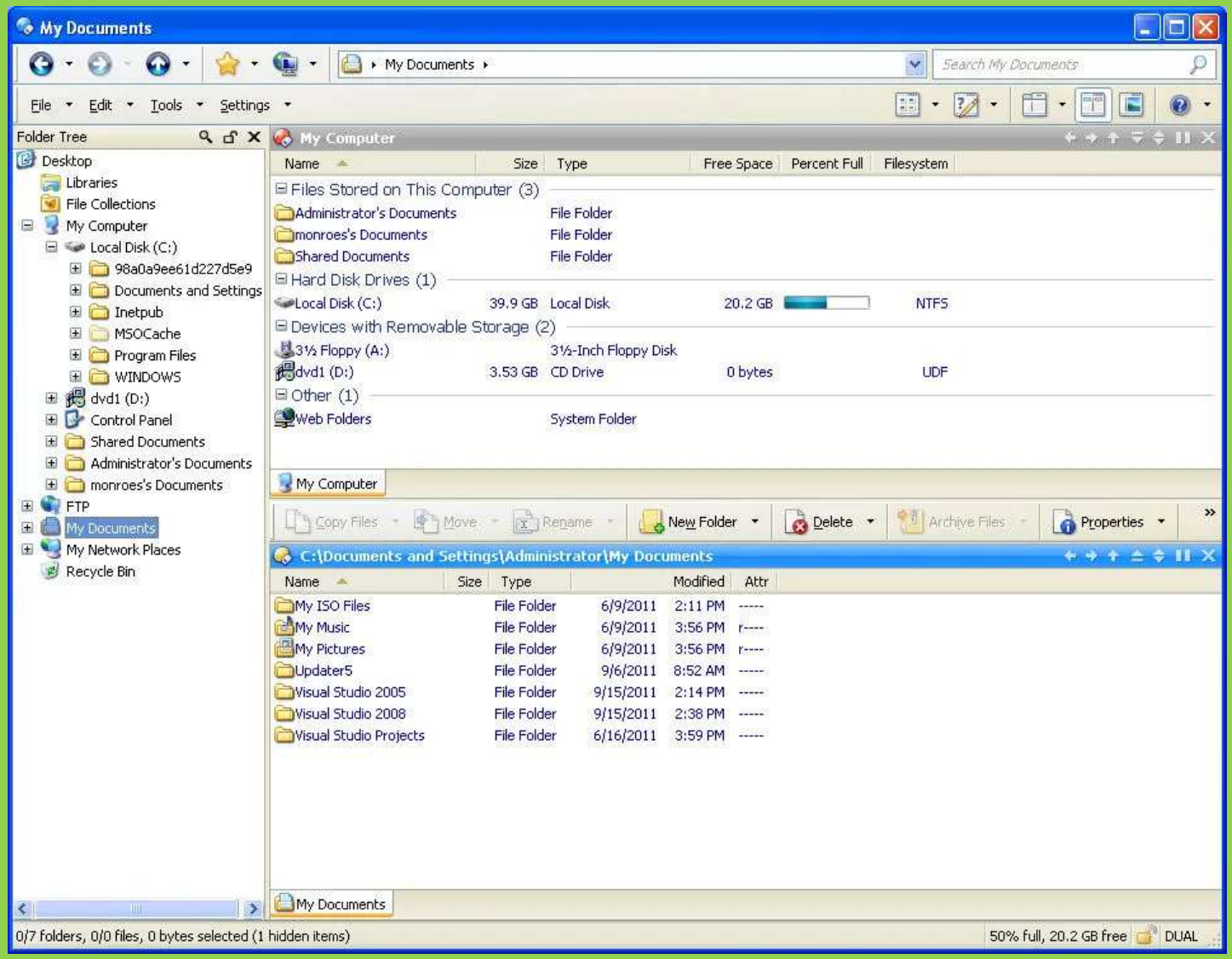
So …

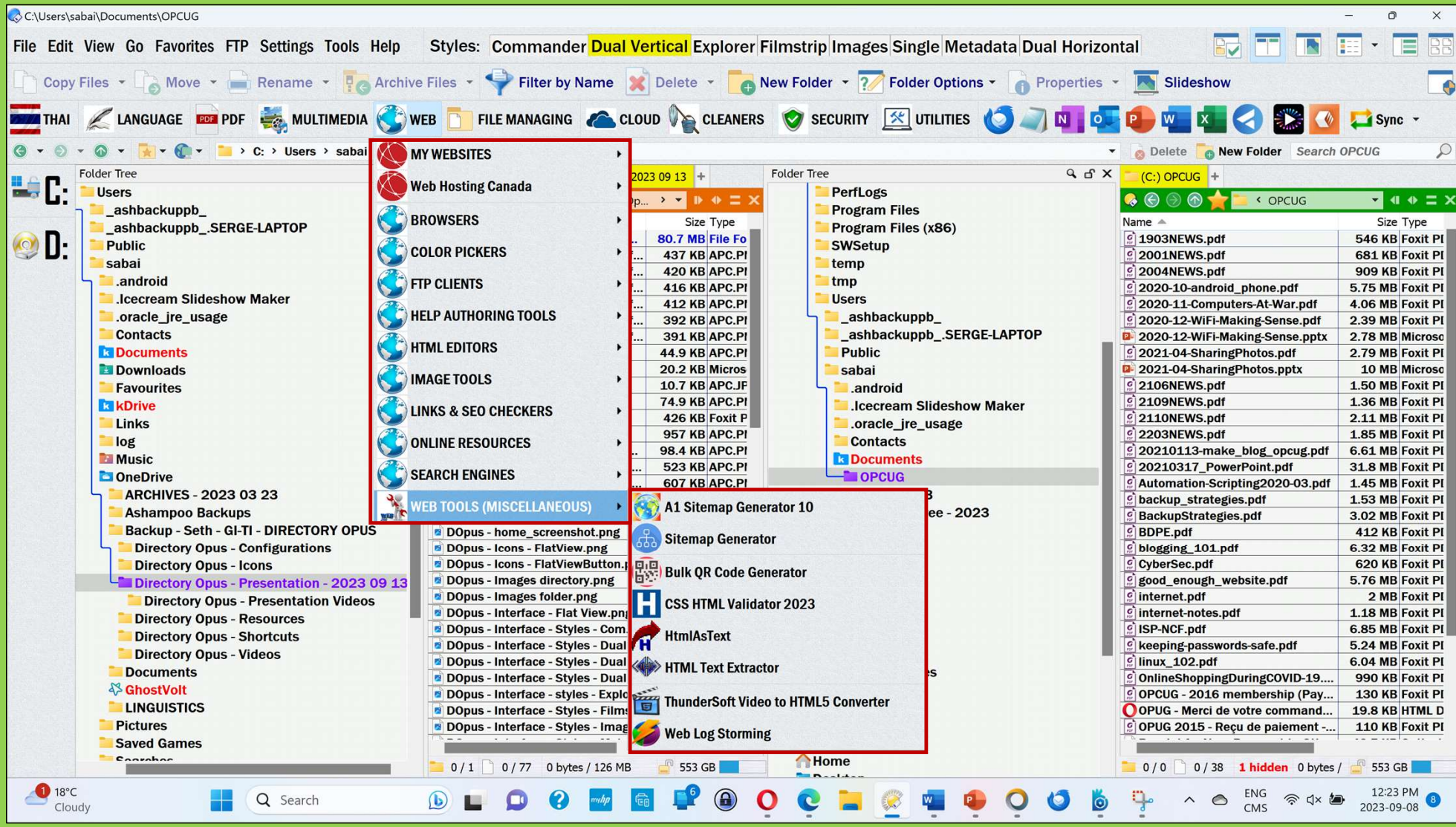
In an effort to:

1) **manage all my software**; and

2) **replace the Windows Start menu**,

I went from the basic Directory Opus interface to …

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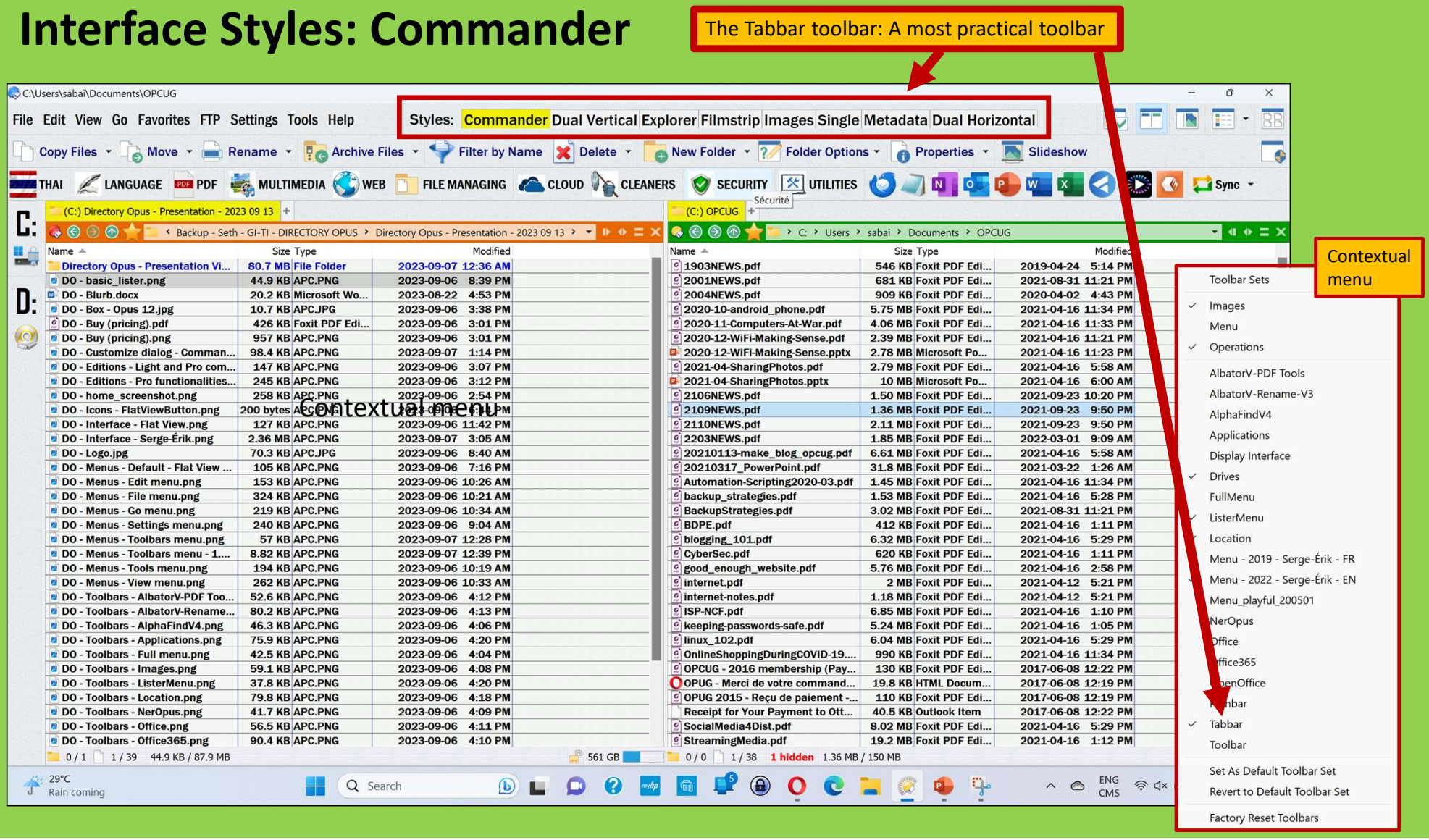
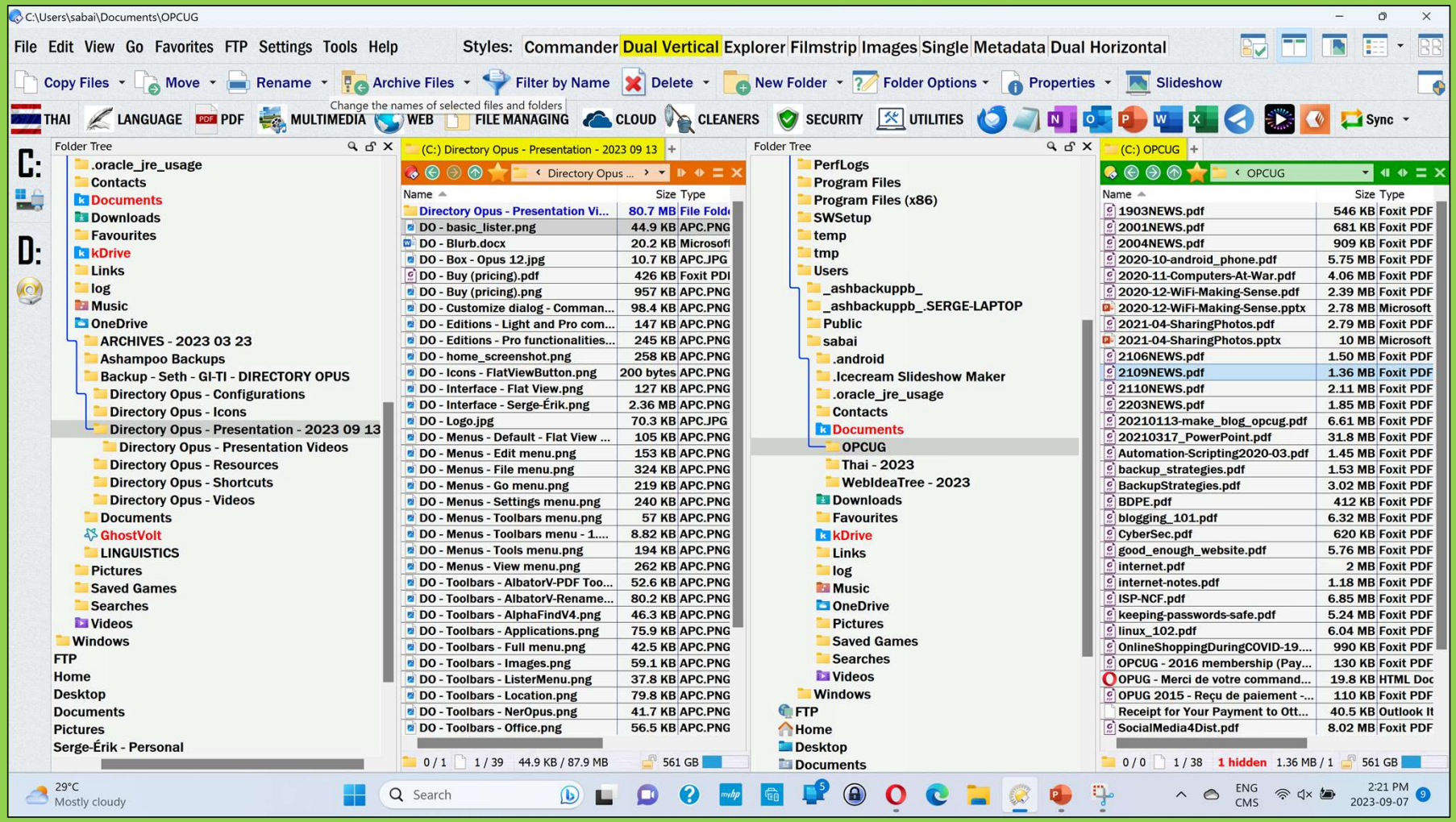
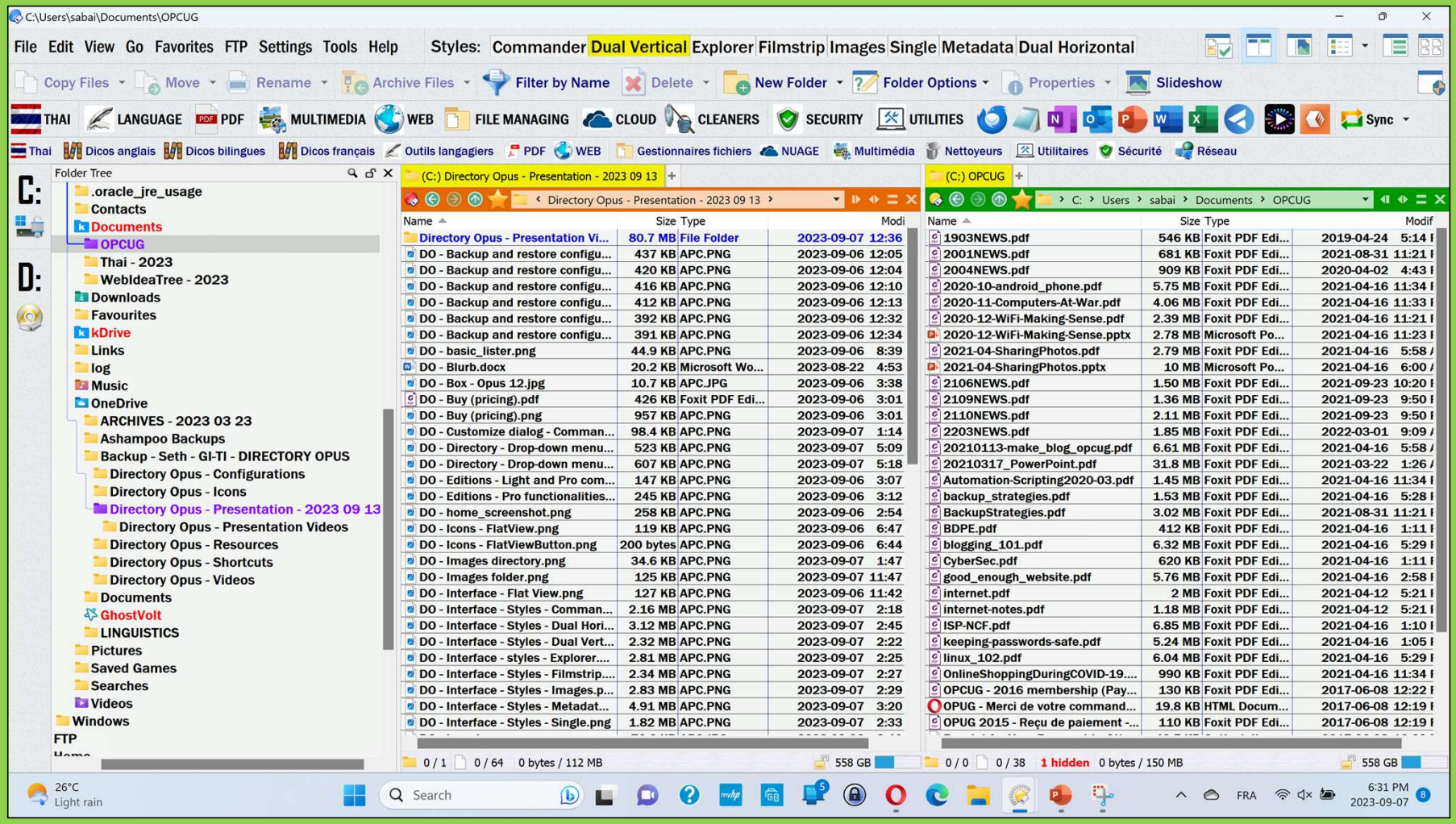
Interface Styles: Commander



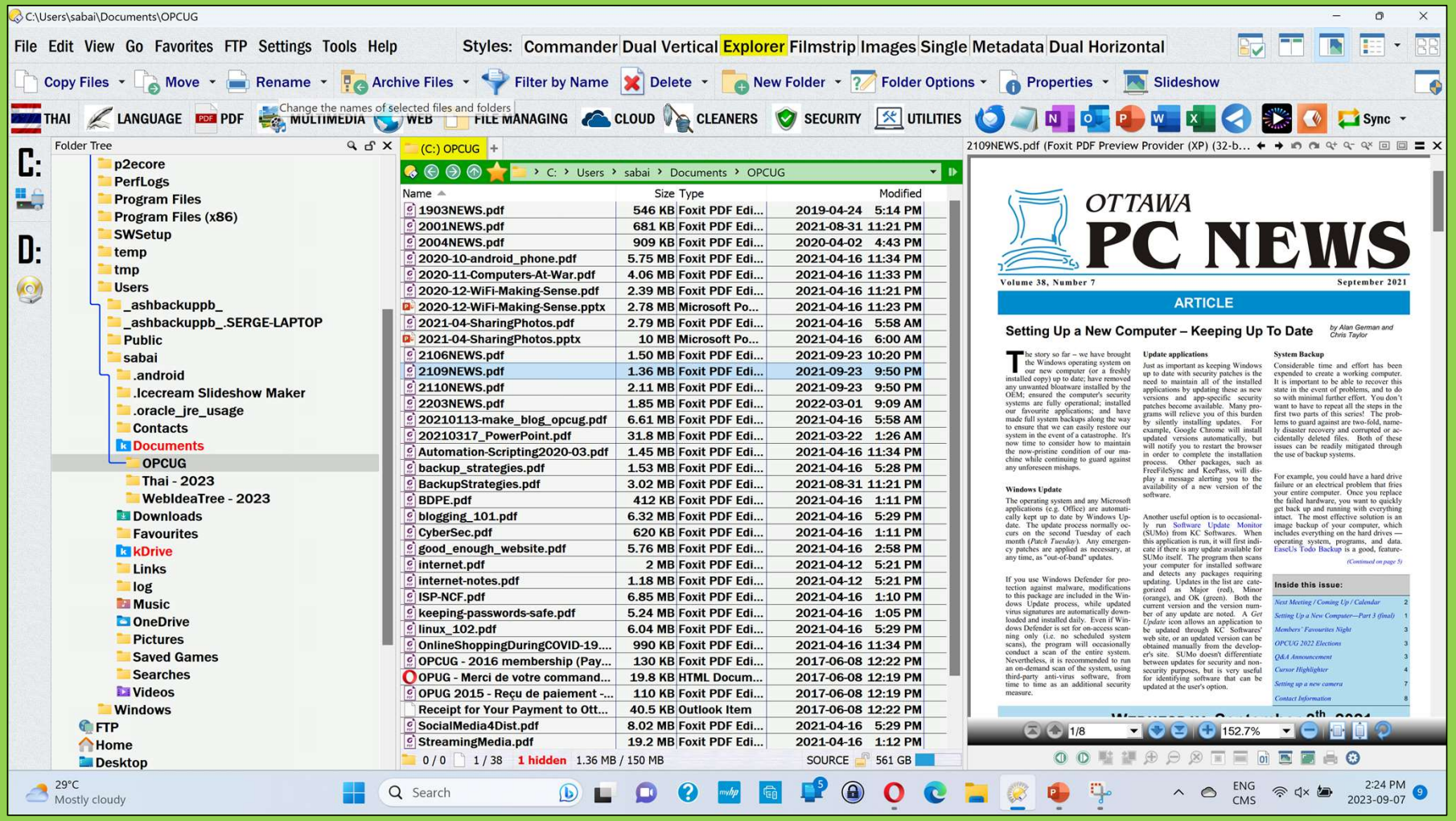
Interface Styles: Dual Vertical (Two Folder Trees)



Interface Styles: Dual Vertical (One Folder Tree)



Interface Styles: Explorer (with Viewer Pane)



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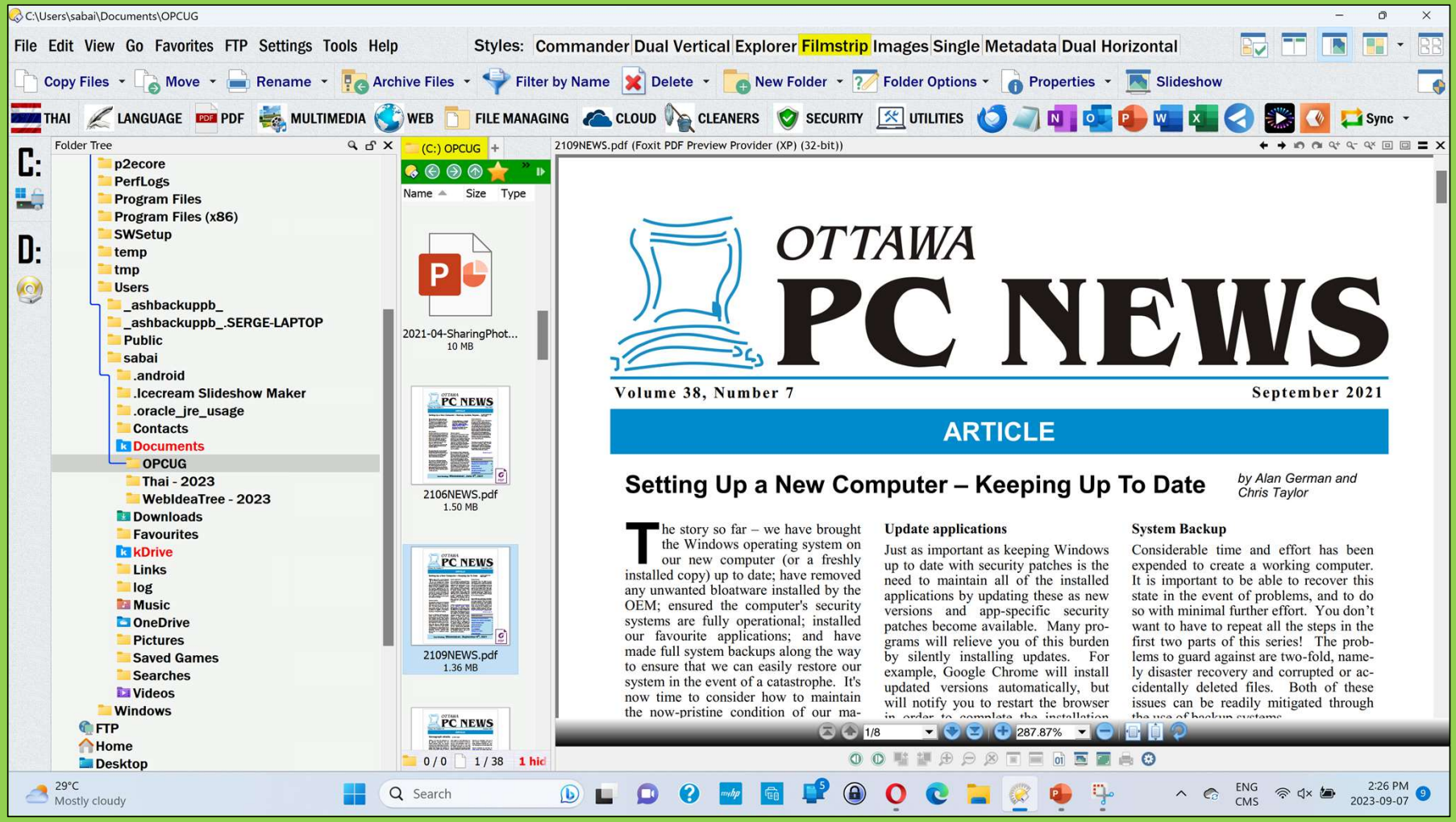

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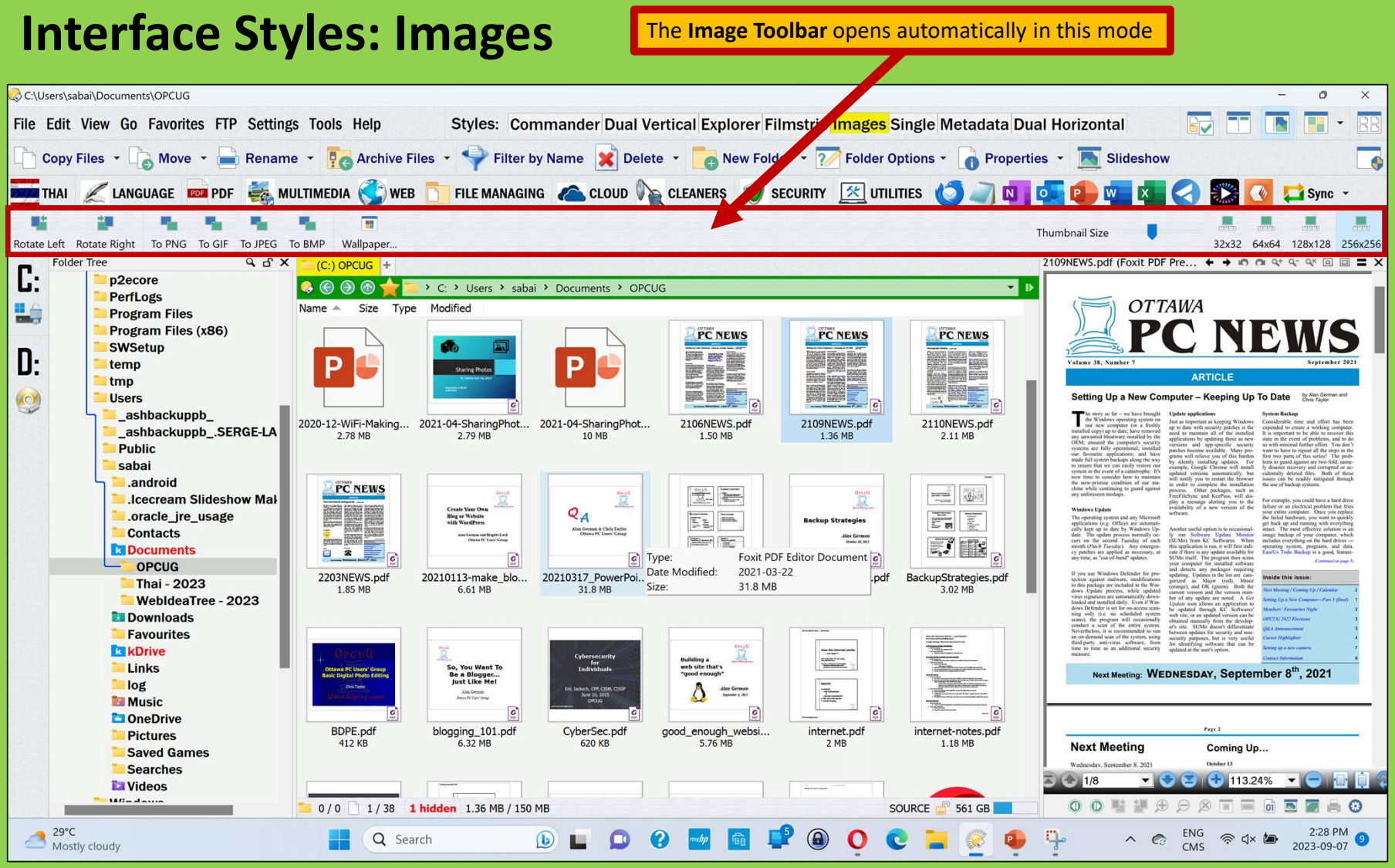

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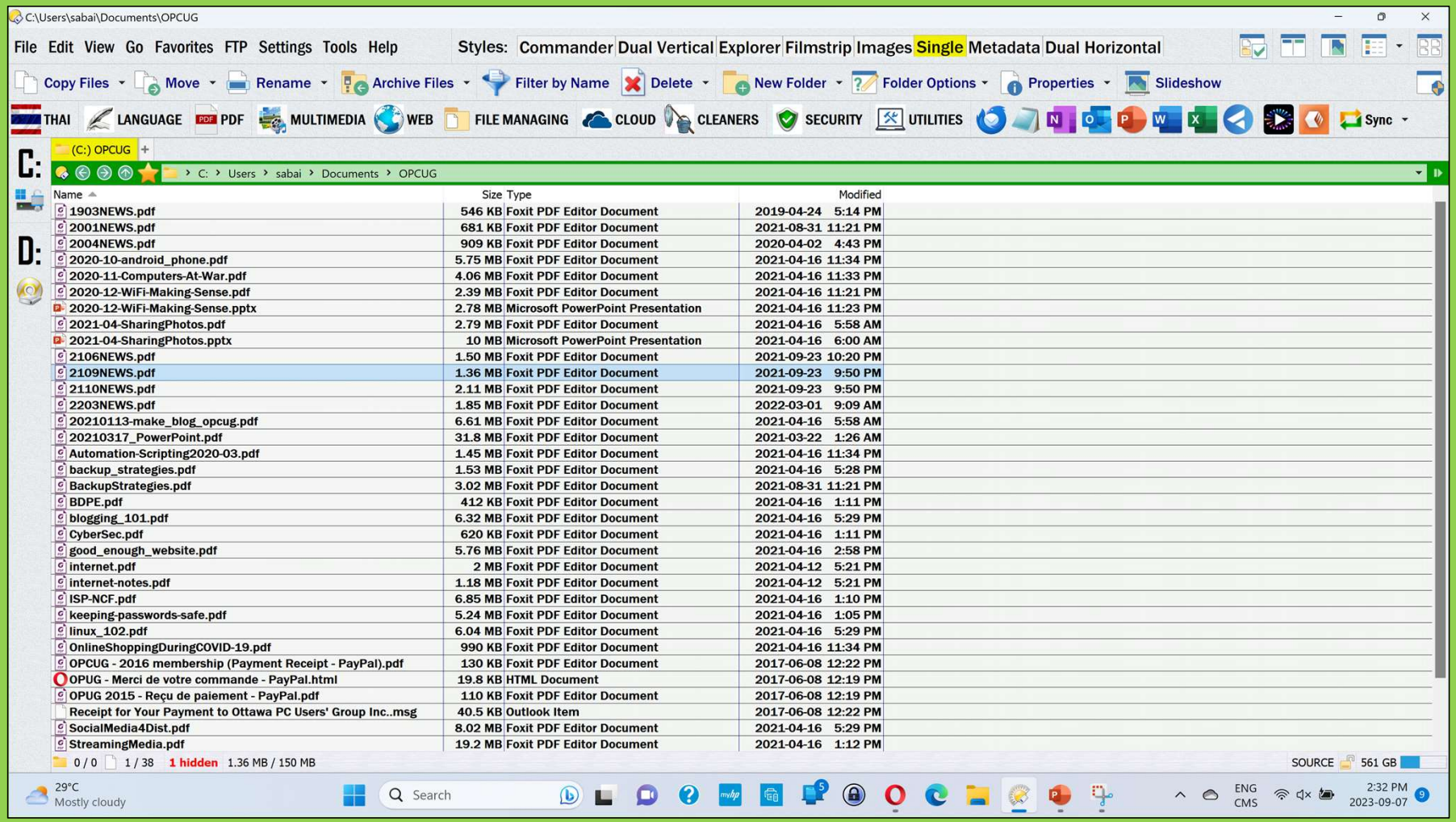
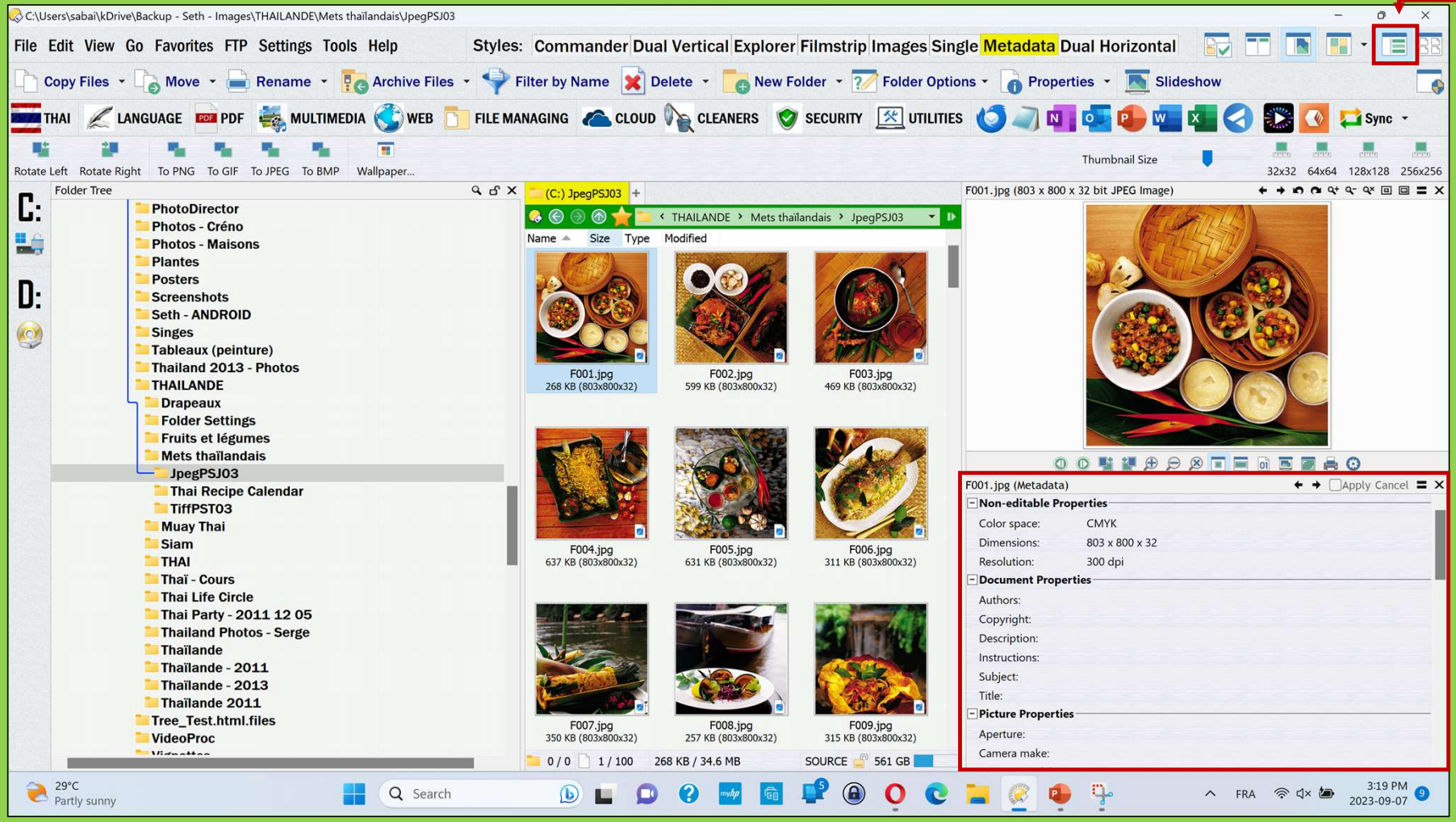


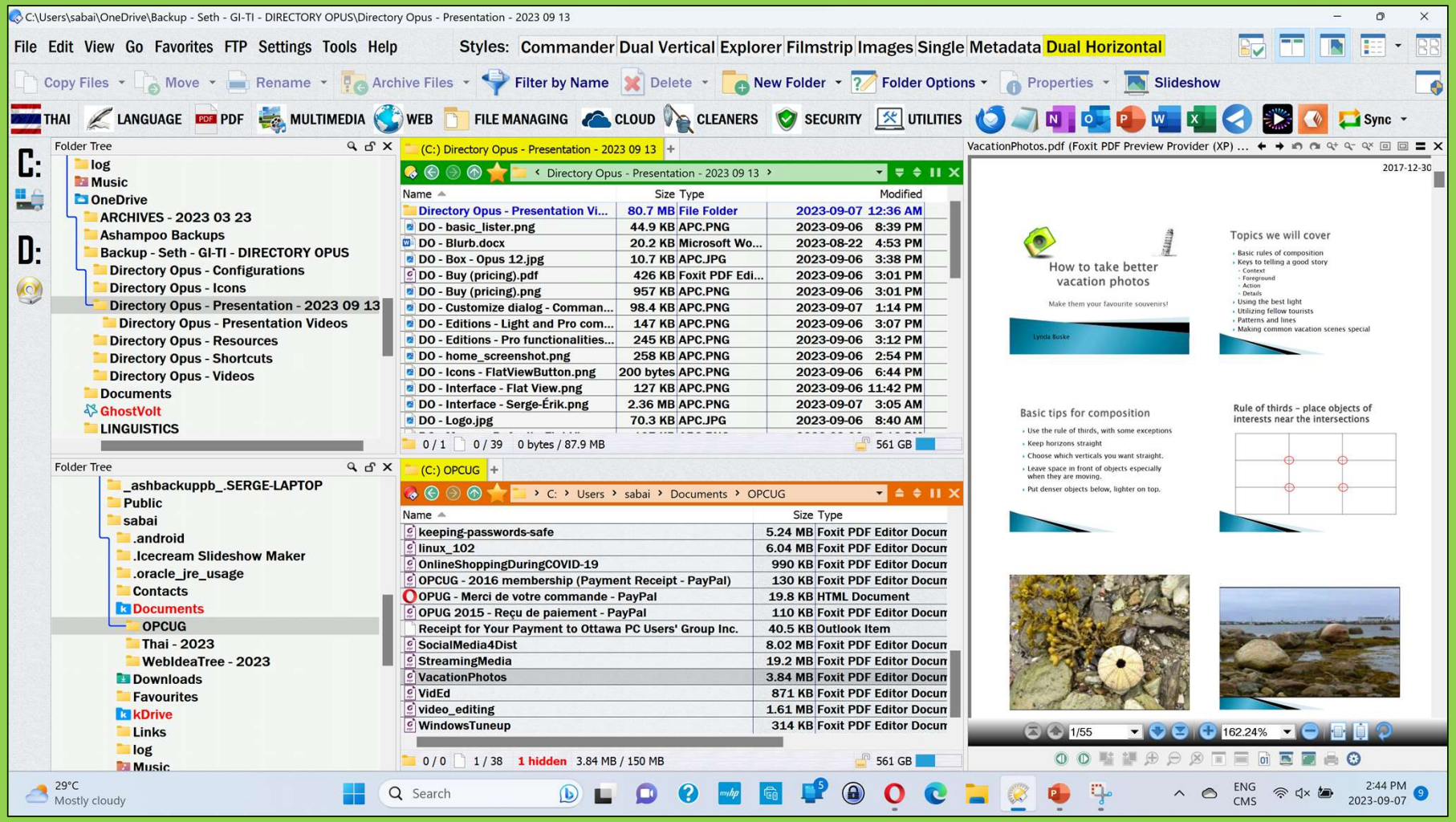
Interface Styles: Metadata

Quick Tip

An easy way to display the Metadata Pane in a Lister is with the button ( ) on the default toolbar. You can also press F9.



Interface Styles: Dual Horizontal (with Viewer Pane)

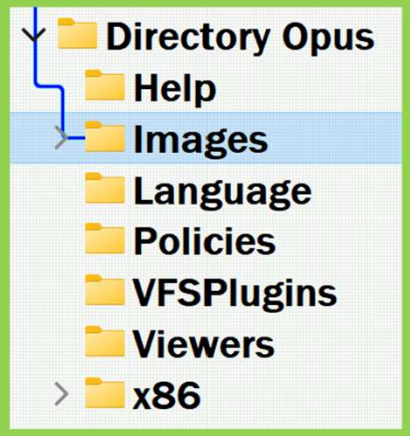


The Three Directory Opus Customization Tools

1. The **Customize** dialog

2. The **Preferences** dialog

3. The **Images** (sub-directory)

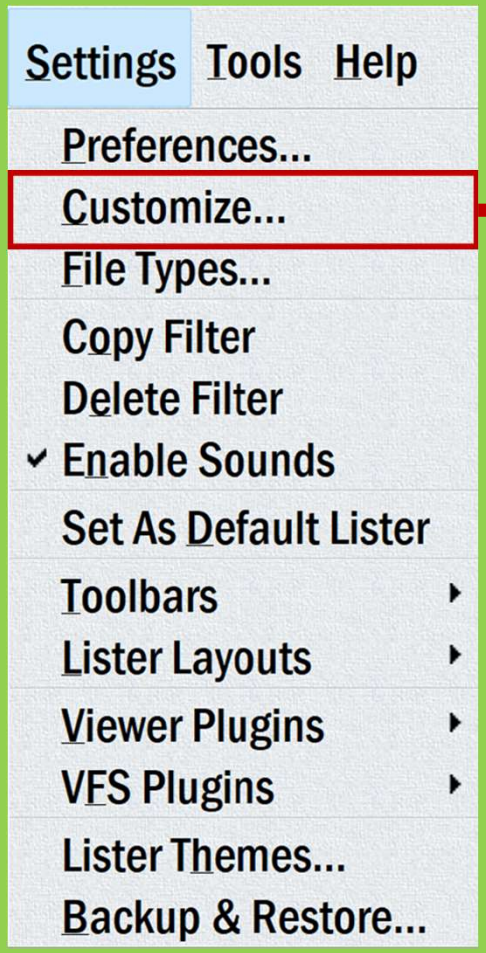


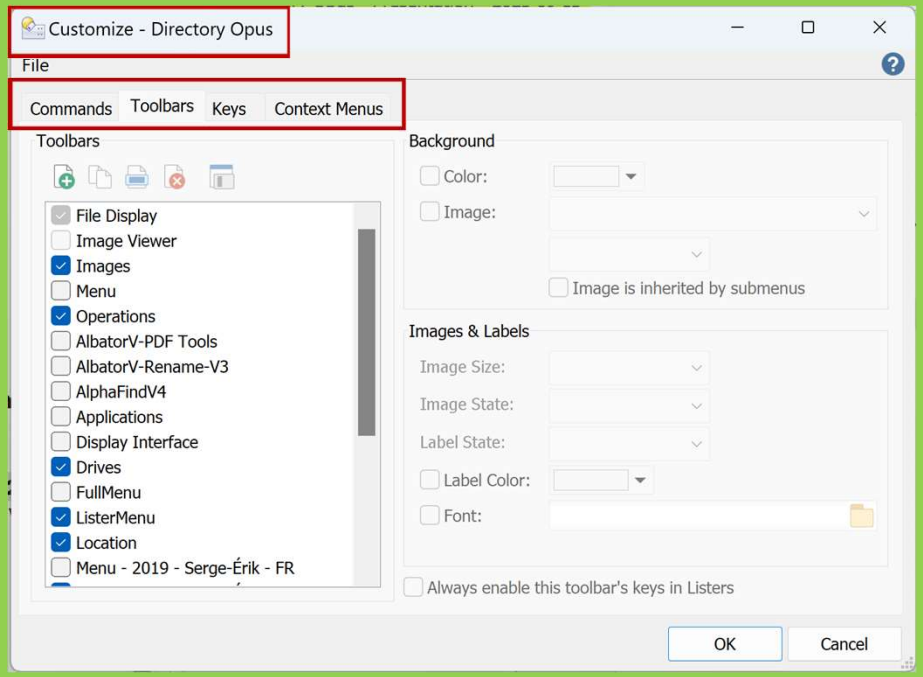
All images used for customizing Directory Opus are located under C:\Program Files\Directory Opus**Images**.

Make a backup copy of that particular images directory in case of a Windows crash …

The “Customize…” Dialog

This is where almost all the options that control the Opus **toolbars** can be found.





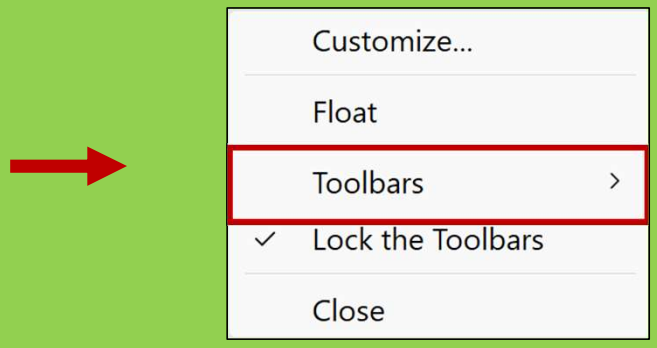
Note: By default, the dialog opens on the Toolbars tab.

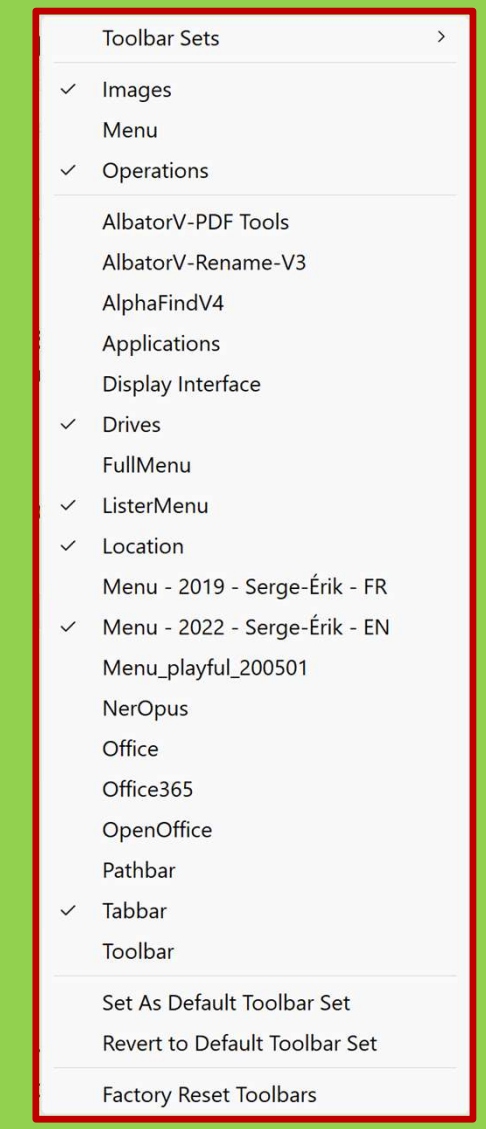
The **Customize…** and the **Preferences…** dialogs can be found under the Settings Tab, but they are also accessible by clicking the **Icon on the upper left corner of the interface**.

The Customize Contextual Menu

The **Customize Toolbar** and its **Contextual Menu** are used for customizing the toolbars.

Right-clicking on a blank space on any toolbar will bring up the Toolbars contextual menu.

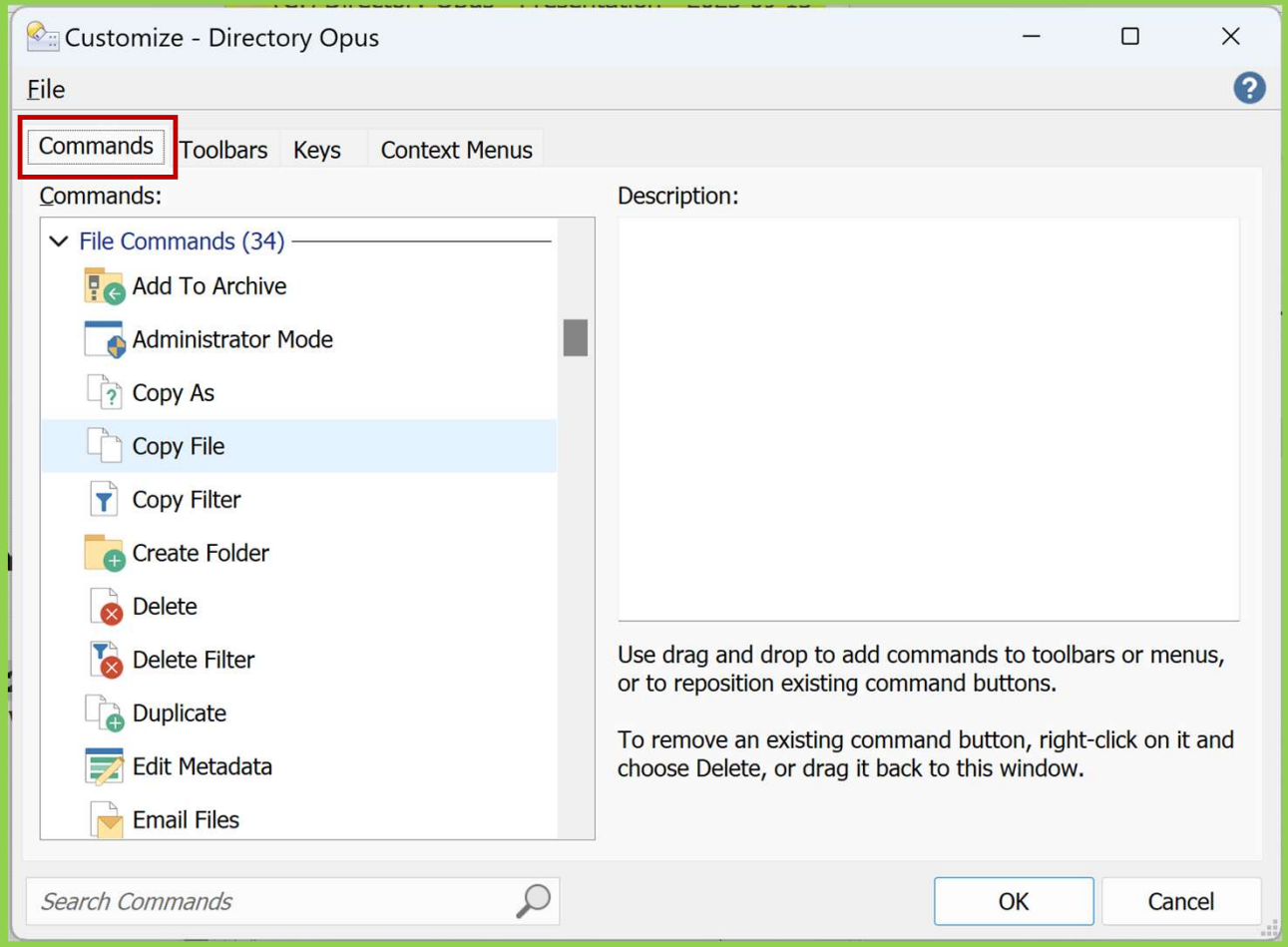




If the “Lock the Toolbars” option is turned on, the toolbars in the Lister will be locked to prevent them from being **dragged** (repositioned) or accidentally **floated**.

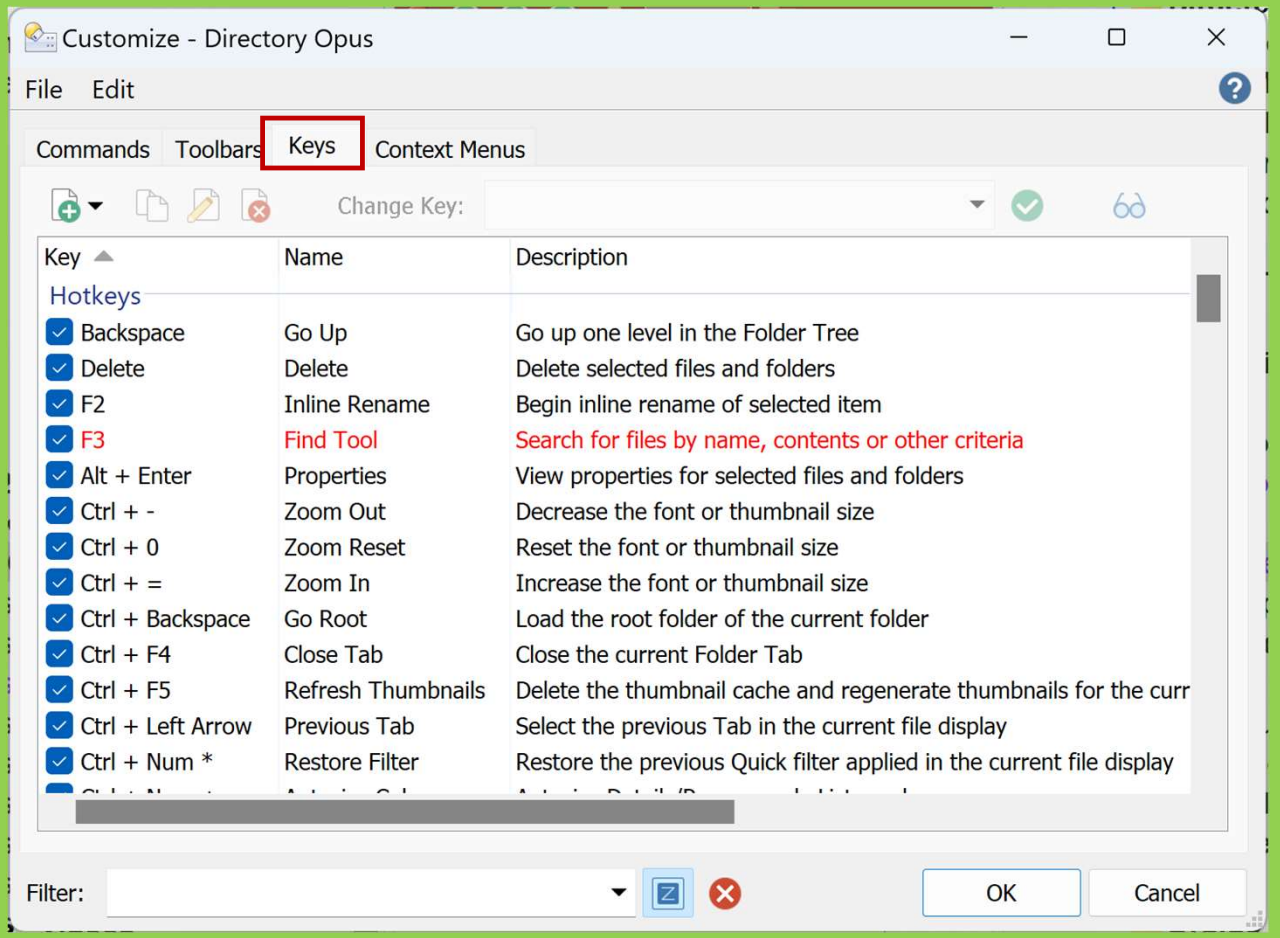
The Customize Dialog: Commands

Commands:
Displays a list of commands that you can easily add to toolbars by drag and drop.



The Customize Dialog: Keys

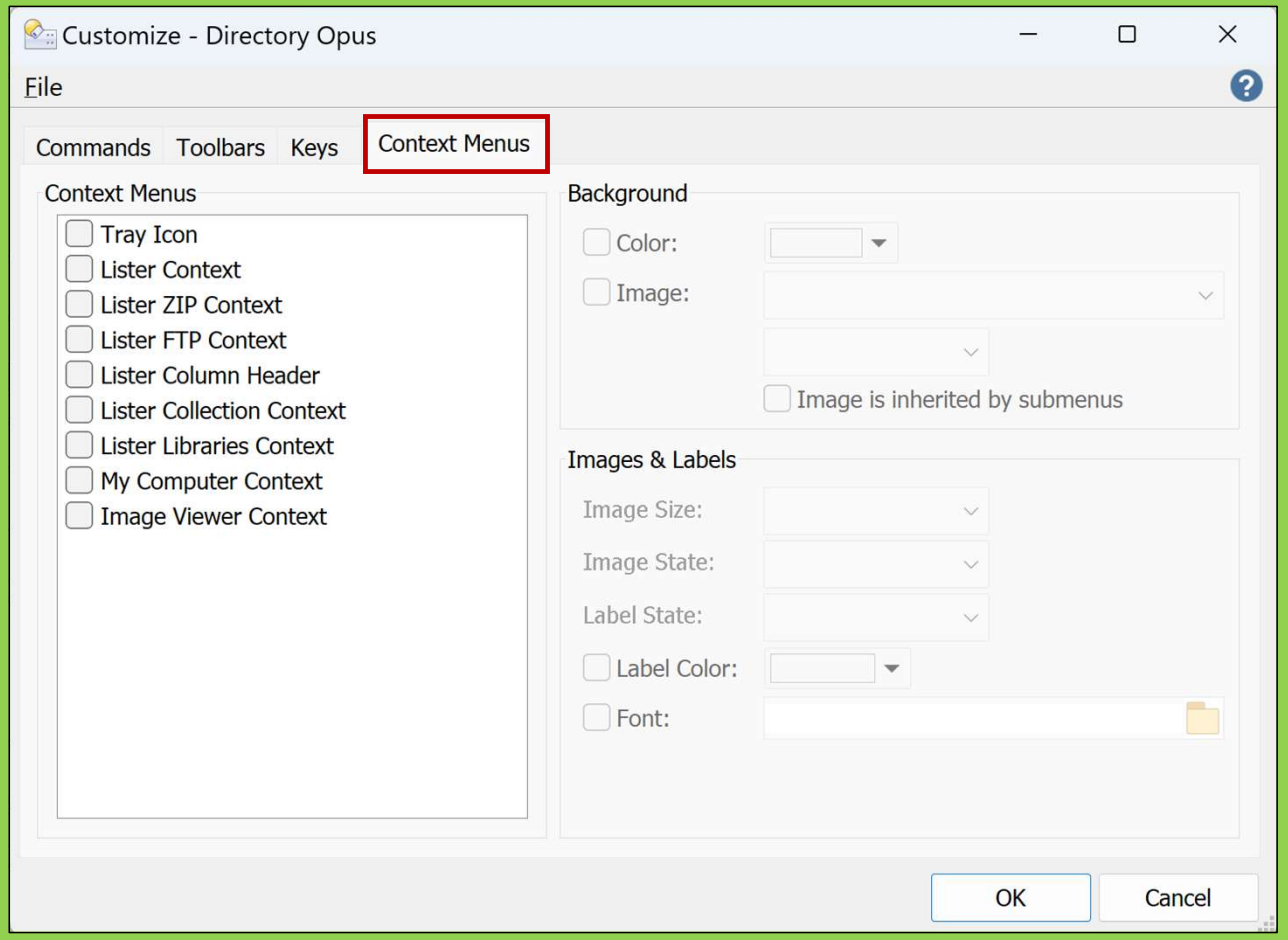
Keys: Displays a list of all configured hotkeys and lets you edit them and create new ones.



The Customize Dialog: Context Menus

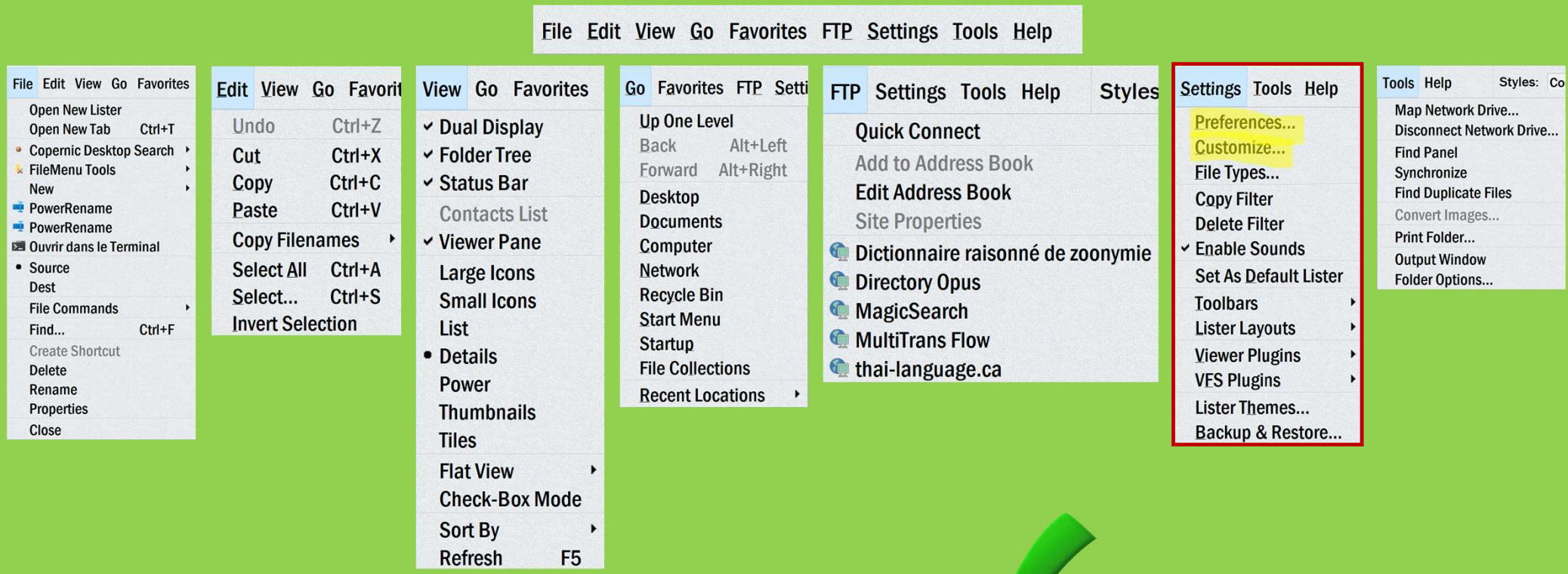
Context Menus: This is where various context menus can be edited. The context menus here are for user interface elements like the column header in a details mode file display, the taskbar icon and so on.

Note: The context menus for files and folders are not edited through here—instead they are controlled through the File Types system.



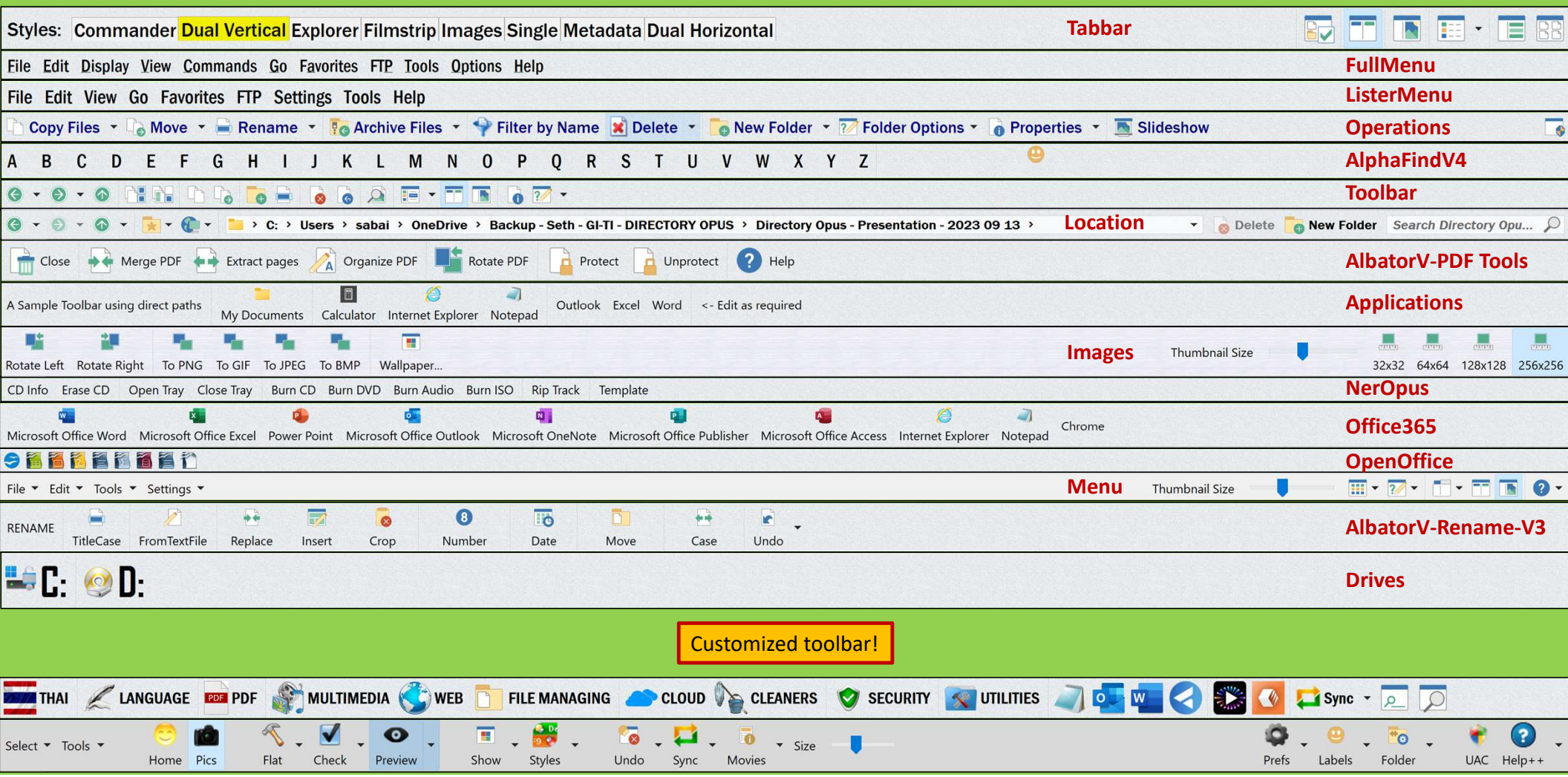
Main Menu Toolbars: Lister Menu & Full Menu Bars

“ListerMenu” Toolbar



Compared to the **FullMenu** toolbar, the **ListerMenu** toolbar gives access to most of the essential functions.

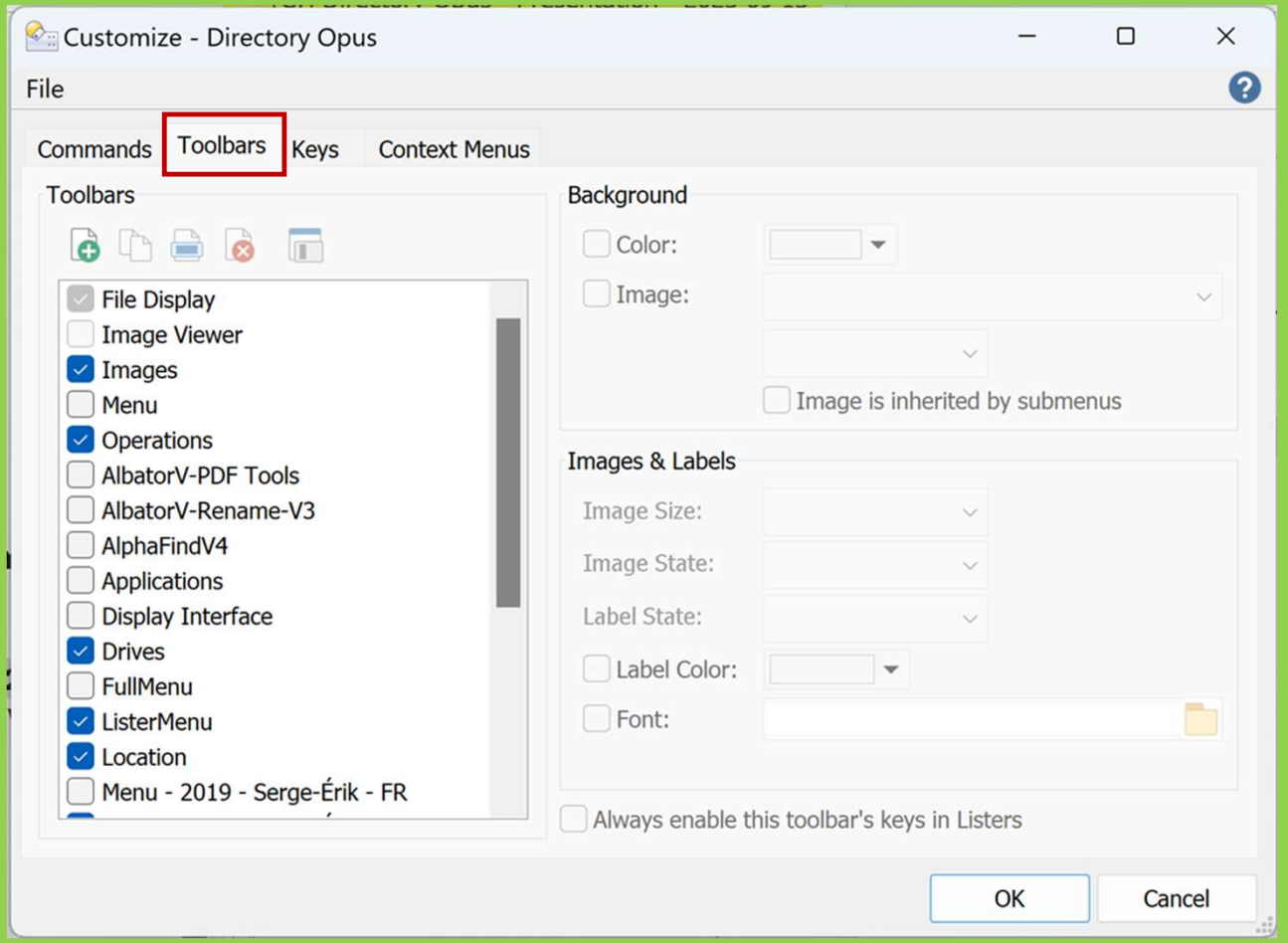
The Toolbars!



The Customize dialog: Toolbars

Toolbars:
Displays a list of your toolbars, lets you turn them on or off, and create and edit new ones

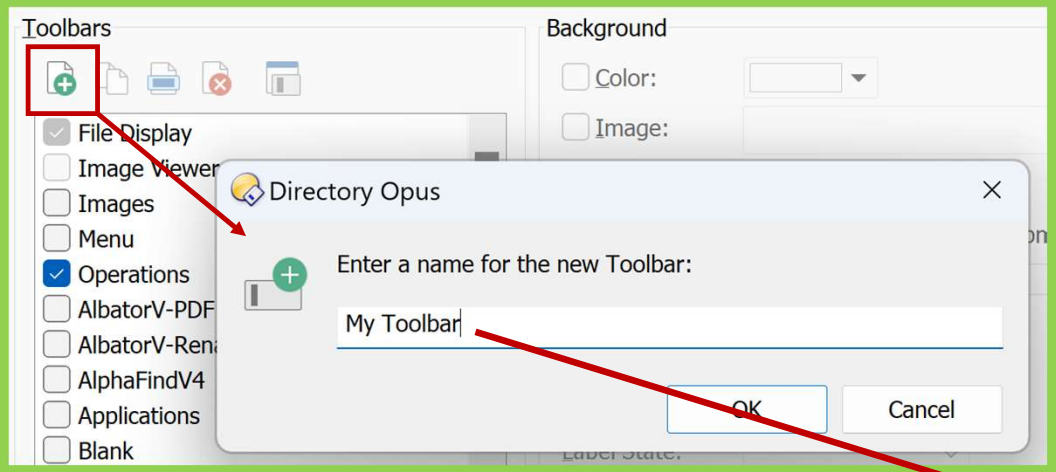
Here you can edit background colors or images, and set color labels and fonts

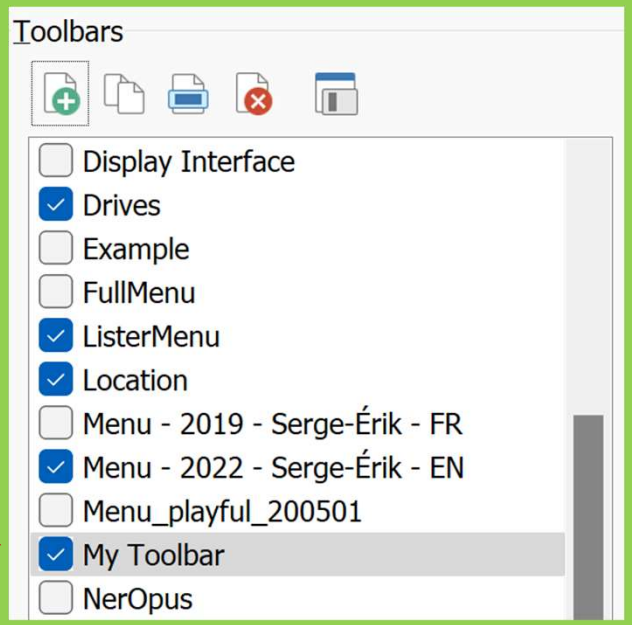


How to Create Your Own Toolbar

Creating your own customized toolbar is easy:

1. A) On the main menu bar, click on **Settings > Customize…;** or
   B) click on an empty space on any toolbar and click on **Customize**.
2. Under the Toolbar tab, click on the create a new toolbar icon ( )
3. Give your toolbar a name, and that's it!





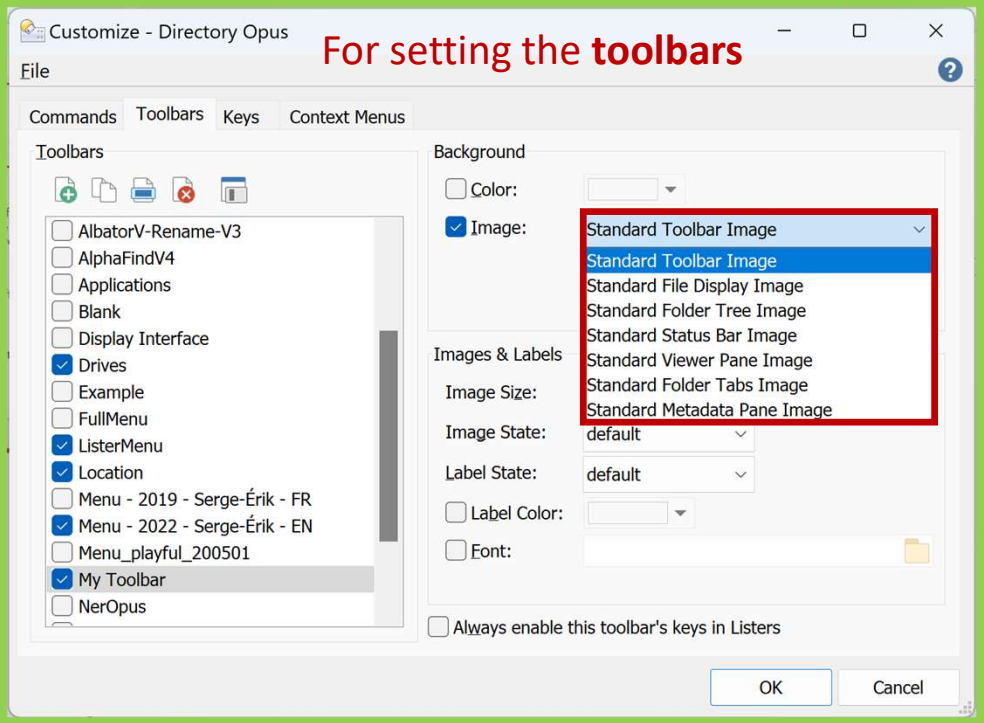
Quick Tip

You can position toolbars on any side of the screen … or anywhere else!

Background Images Control

You can make a toolbar use any background image that you have added to the list on the **Preferences Display / Images page**.

Customize…



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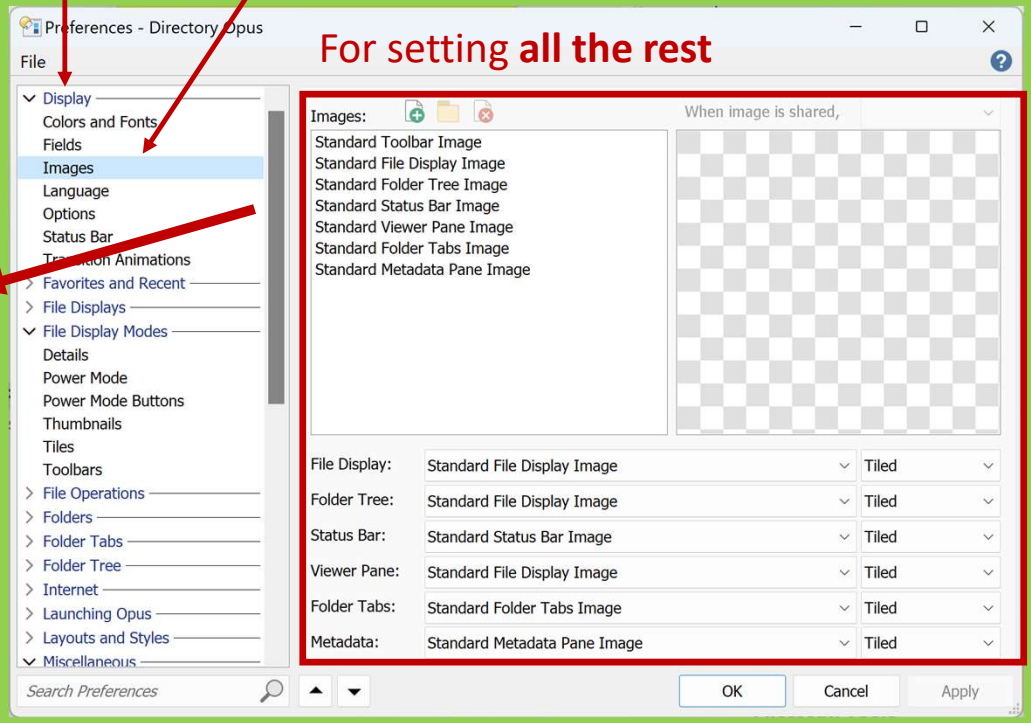
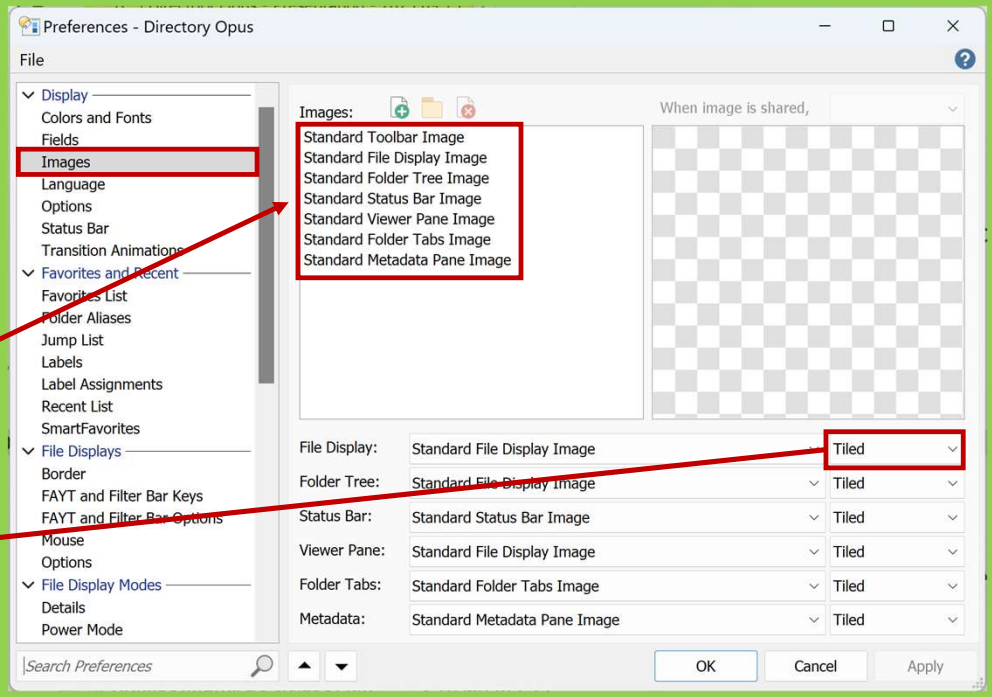


How to change the background of the toolbars

Toolbar backgrounds can be changed to any solid color or to an image (e.g., a Windows textured wallpaper). To do so:

1. Go to **Settings > Preferences**
2. Under **Display**, click on **Image**
3. Select the object to modify
4. For each one, select the **display mode**:



Remember that you must first set your customized backgrounds in the **Preferences** dialog in order to be able to customize the toolbar backgrounds from the **Customize** dialog.

The Toolbars & the Different Types of Resources

Directory Opus offers the possibility to link directly to resources through toolbars objects. Links can be made to:

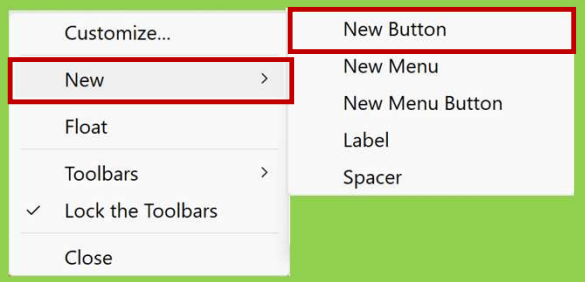
1. **Directories**
2. **Files (word/media)**
3. **Websites (or website links saved on your computer)**
4. **Installed programs/apps**

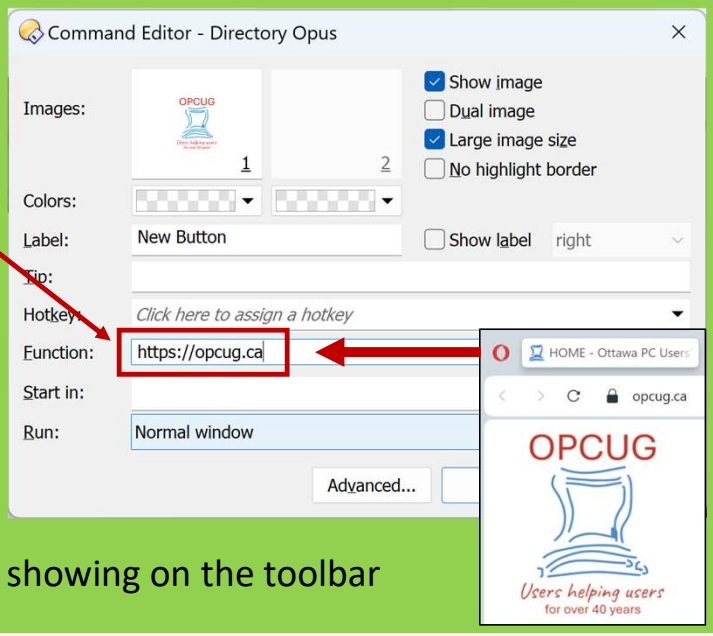
The **Editing the Toolbar** section of the manual explains in details how to add the different types of objects to toolbars.
https://www.gpsoft.com.au/help/opus12/index.html#!Documents/Editing_the_Toolbar.htm

How to add a Button (Files/Directories/Websites/Programs/Apps)

Method 1

1. Go to **Settings > Customize…**
2. Right click on the toolbar of your choice.
3. Click on New and choose **New Button**.
4. Right click on the button and choose **Edit**.
5. In the **Function field** of the **Command Editor**, paste the **path of the file/directory** or the **address of the website (URL)** you want quick or regular access to.
6. Click on the **Images field** to change the default icon to the icon of your choice and adjust any of the other options as you will.





Resulting button showing on the toolbar

How to add a Button (Files/Directories/Websites/Programs/Apps)

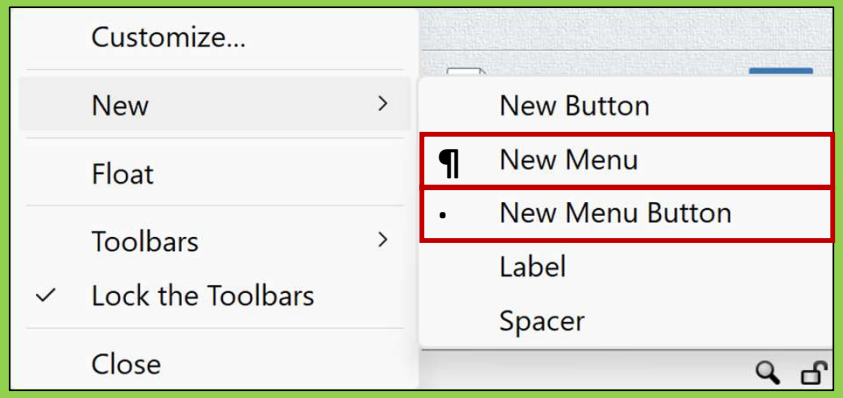
Method 2

1. Go to **Settings > Customize**
2. Drag to the toolbar of your choice the:
   - **Word file** (Word, PDF, etc.)
   - **Media file** (MP4, MP3, etc)
   - **Web link file on your computer**
   - **Program/app file**
3. Right click on the created button, and choose **Edit** to fine tune it.
4. Done!

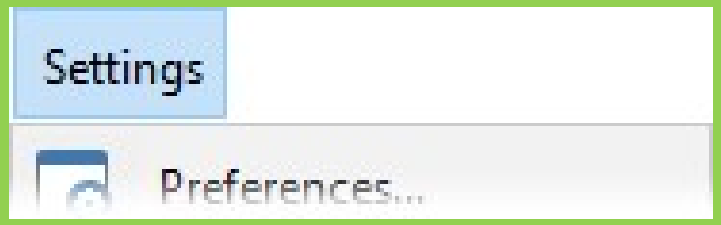
- Drag the .exe file from:
  - C:\Program Files; or
  - C:\Program Files (x86)
- Drag the icon from the Desktop

Drop-down Menus

There are two different types of drop-down button.



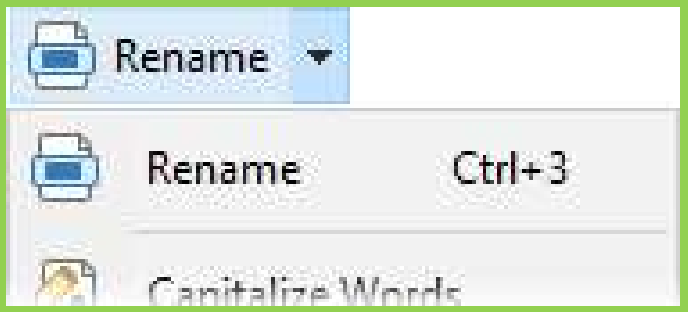
¶ A drop-down **Menu** is a button that displays a menu, and nothing more. Clicking the button makes the menu appear.



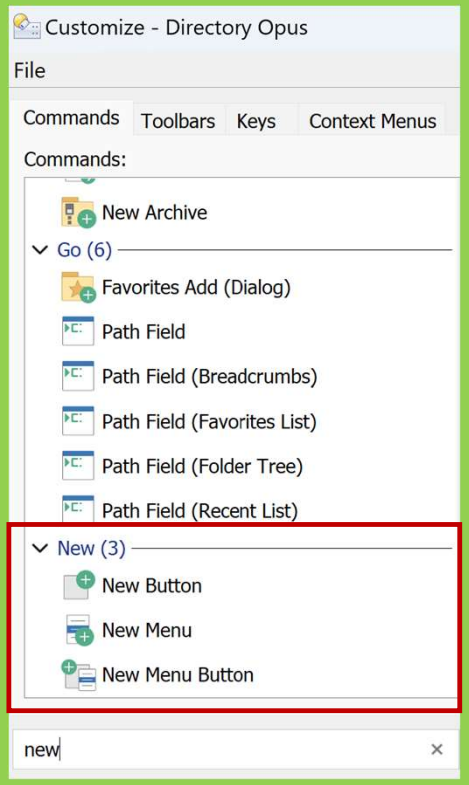
• A drop-down **Menu Button** is like a regular button combined with a menu. It has two distinct parts:

1. The larger part—the label—acts like a regular button. It can have a function defined for it, and clicking the button part runs the function.

2. The smaller part—the arrow glyph—displays the drop-down menu. Clicking the arrow part of the button drops the menu down.



How to Add a Menu or Menu Button, or Sub-menus



To add a brand new sub-menu (within which you can then add further items) to a toolbar, do any of the following:

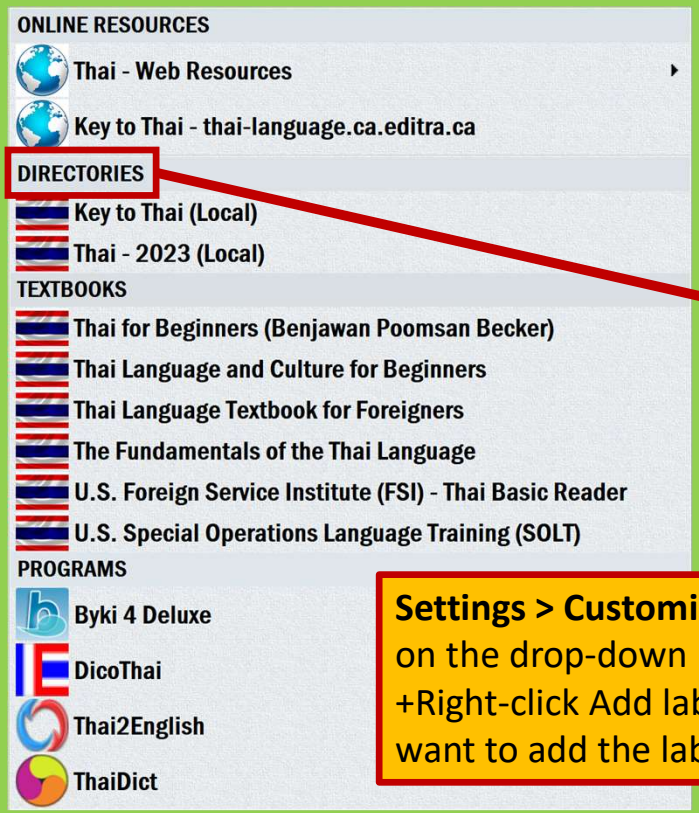
1. From the **Customize** dialog's **Commands tab**, expand the **New** category, then drag **New Menu** (or **New Menu Button**) out of the list and drop it on the toolbar. This will add the menu at the location you dropped it.

2. Right-click the empty space at the end of a toolbar and choose **New > New Menu** (or **New Menu Button**) from the context menu. This will add the button to the end of the toolbar.

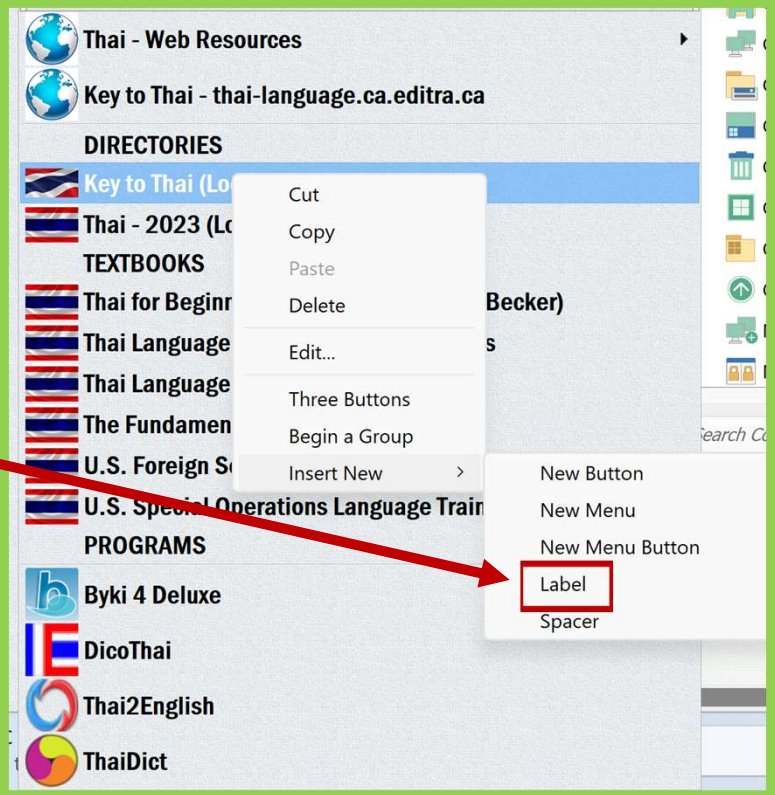
3. Right-click an existing button or menu and choose Insert **New > New Button** (or **New Menu Button**) to insert the new menu immediately after the one you clicked on.

Once the new menu is added, you can edit it (by double-click or right-click), and if you open it with a left-click you can add items inside of it in the same way as the top-level toolbar.

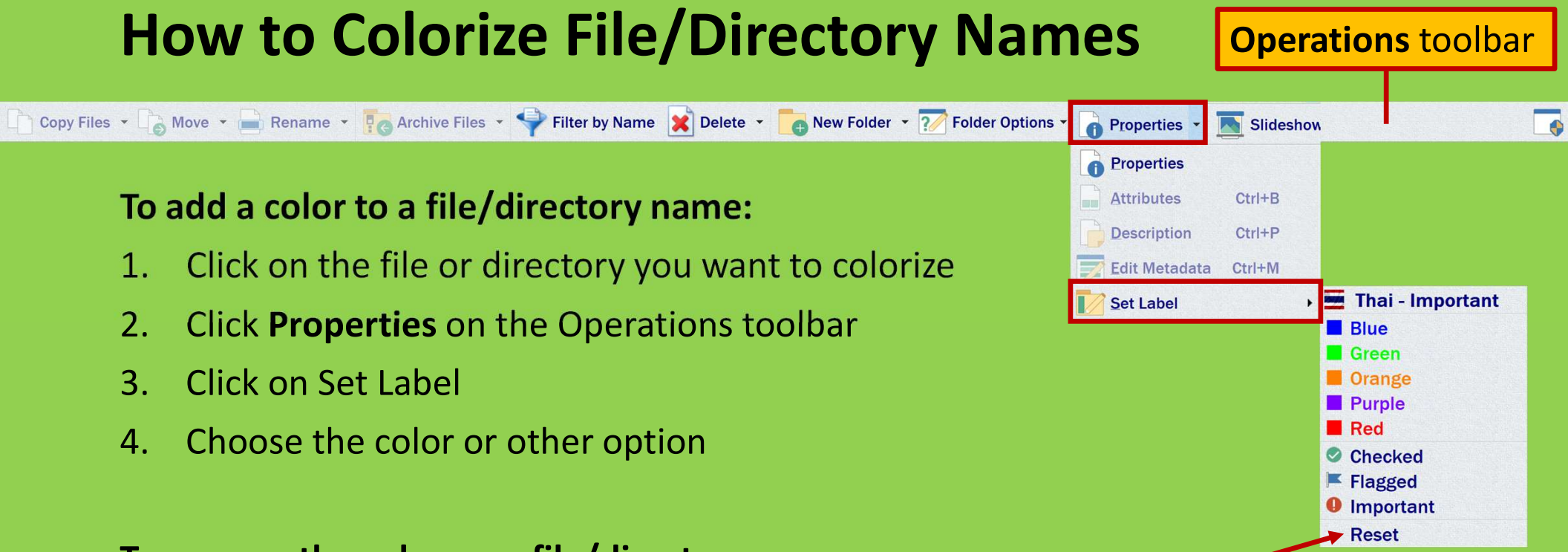
How to set Labels & Spacers (Separators) in Drop-down Menus



Settings > Customize… + Left-click on the drop-down menu header +Right-click Add label where you want to add the label in the list



How to Colorize File/Directory Names



To add a color to a file/directory name:

1. Click on the file or directory you want to colorize
2. Click **Properties** on the Operations toolbar
3. Click on Set Label
4. Choose the color or other option

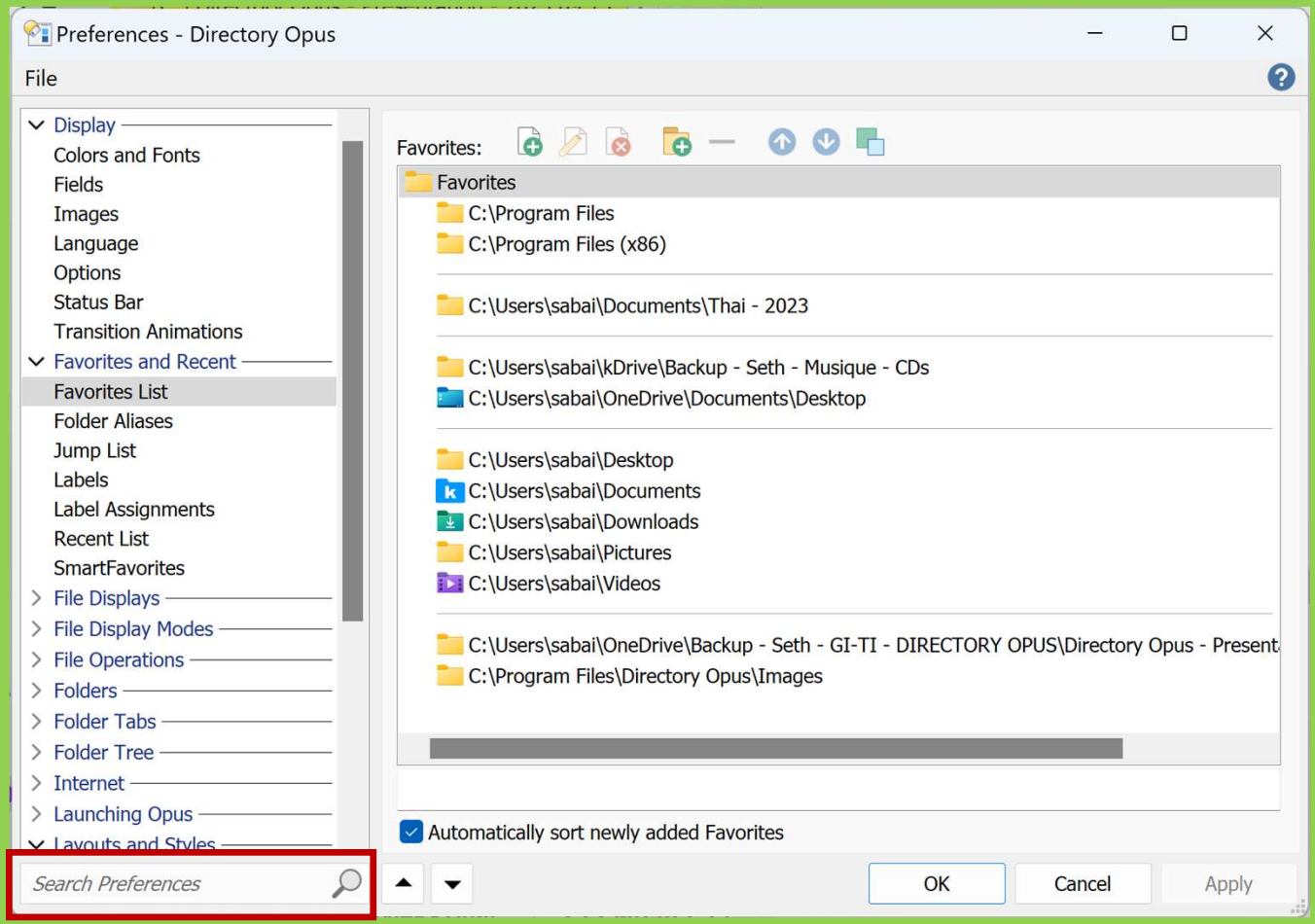
To remove the color on a file/directory name:

1. Click on **Reset** (at the bottom of the series of options)

The Preferences Menu

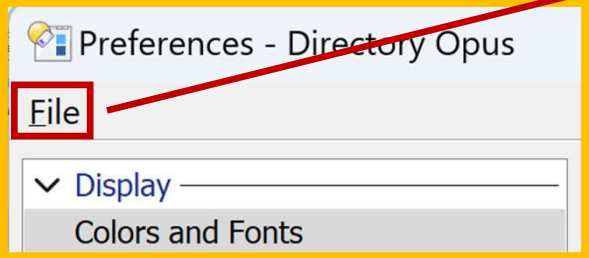
Detailed description of each item can be found on **page 321** of the Directory Opus 12 PDF manual.

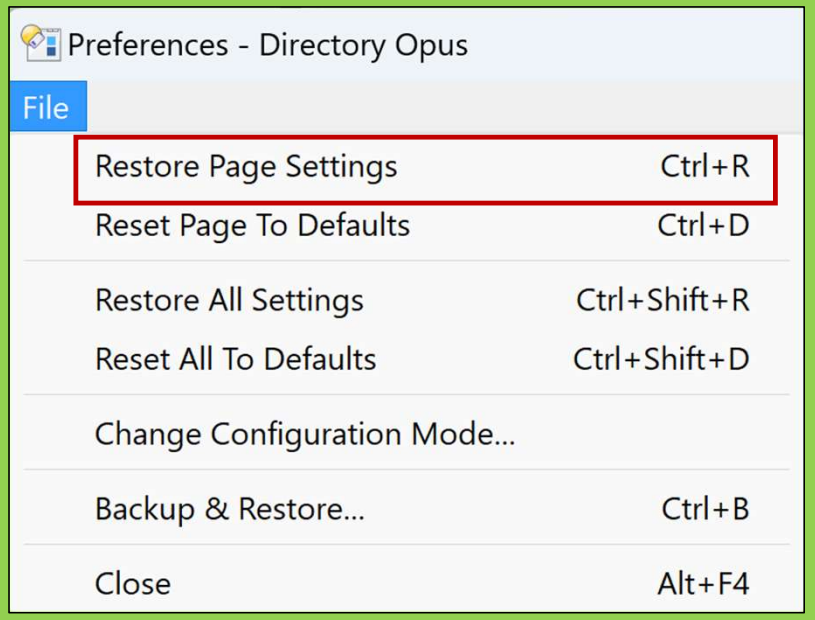
- Almost all the options that control how Opus looks and behaves can be found in here. And there's no denying there are a lot of options.
- Once you start to drill through the various categories and pages the number of options swiftly becomes daunting. Luckily there's a nifty feature that can make it easier to find the option you're looking for: The *Search Preferences* field.



The File Preferences Menu: Testing Your Settings

At the very top of the Preferences dialog is the **File** menu; this contains a number of useful commands:



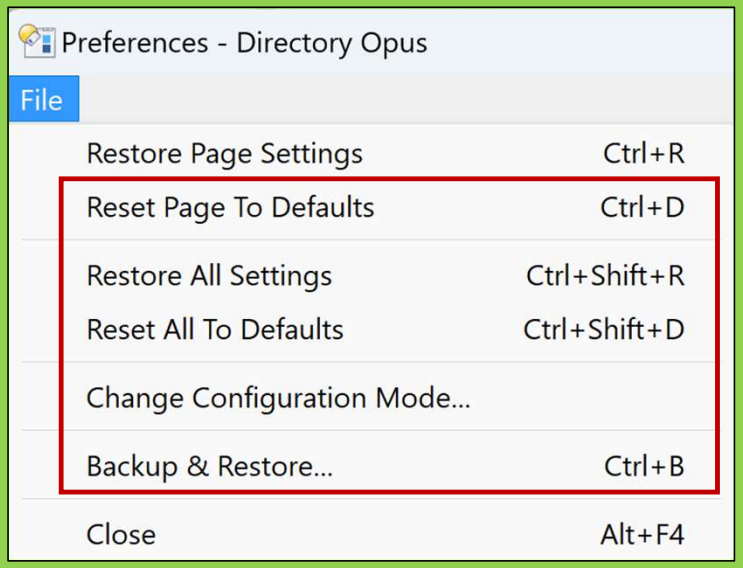


IMPORTANT

Restore Page Settings:

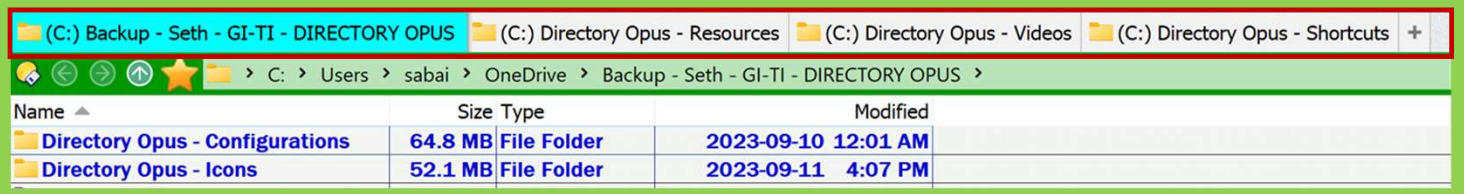
- Restores all the settings on the current page to their values when Preferences was first opened.
- This even works if you have clicked the Apply button to apply your changes—**you can undo any changes at any time as long as you don't close the Preferences dialog**.

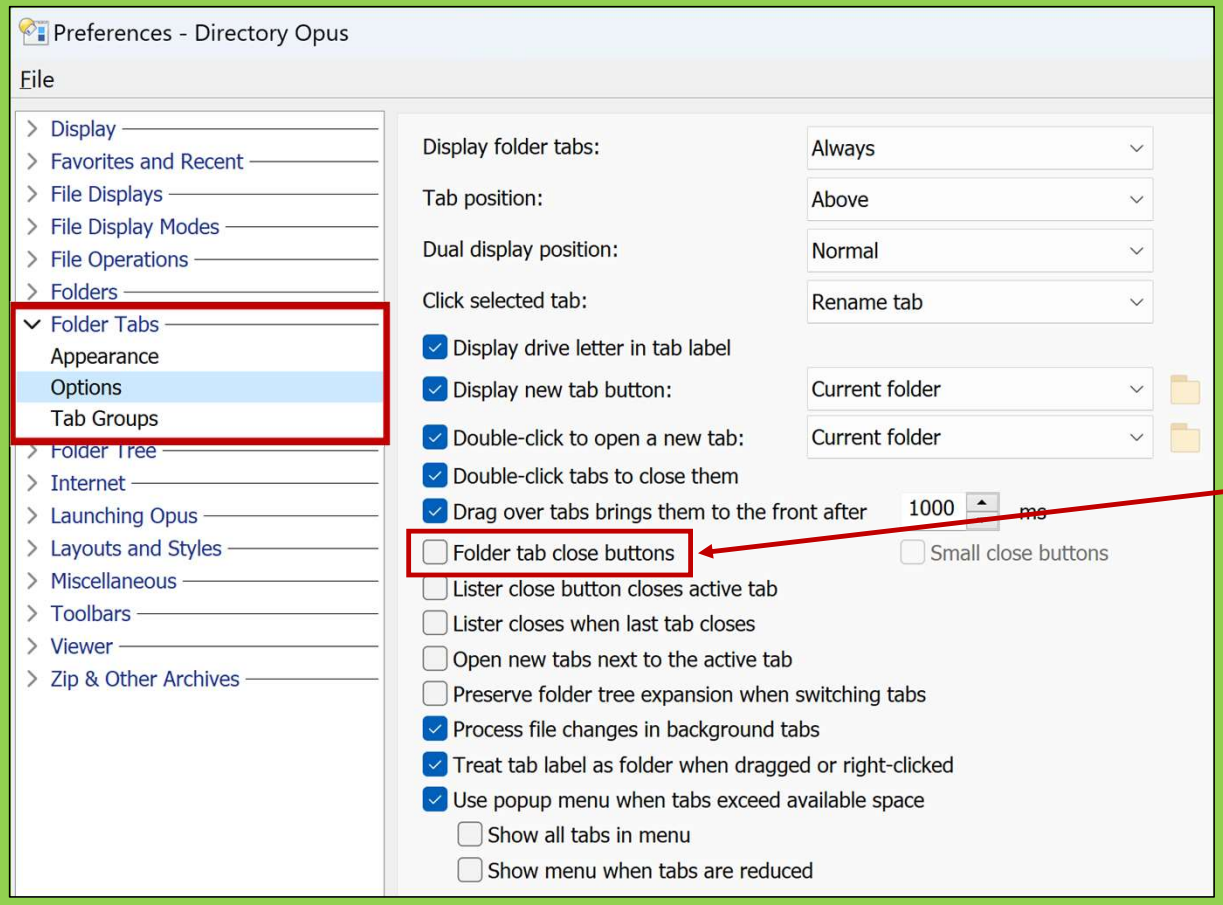
The File Preferences Menu: The Other Options



- **Reset Page To Defaults**: Resets all the settings **on the current page** to their default values.
- **Restore All Settings**: Restores all the settings **on all pages** to their original values (from when Preferences was first opened).
- **Reset All To Defaults**: Resets all the settings on all pages to their default values.
- **Change Configuration Mode**: Lets you change between the two different configuration modes that Opus supports.
  - **Private configuration**: Each user of the computer will have their own Opus configuration, completely separate from every other user's.
  - **Shared configuration**: There is only one global Opus configuration, and all computer users share it (so changes one user makes to the configuration affects all other users).
- **Backup & Restore**: Access the Preferences backup and restore system.

Folder Tabs





Some Basic Controls

To open a folder tab:

1. Click on the **+** sign next to the last tab
2. Double-click on an empty space on the Tab Bar

To close a folder tab:

1. Click on the **x** sign (next to each tab if the option is turned on)
2. Double-click on the tab you want to close

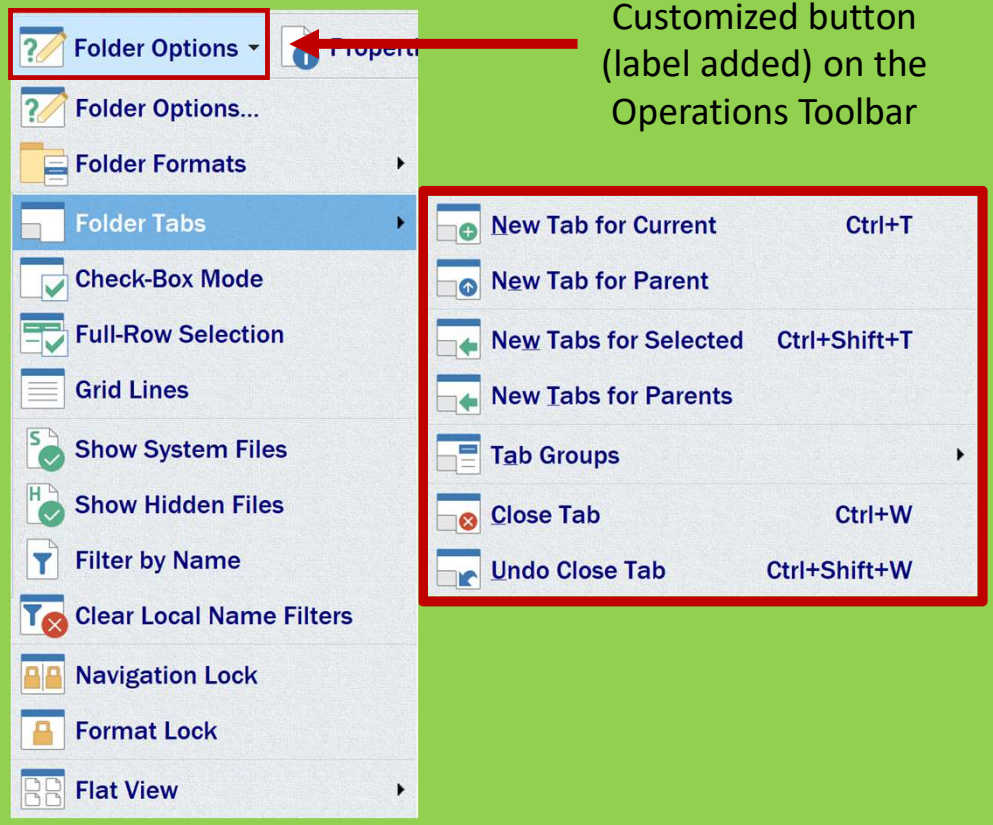
To create new folder tab:

1. Double-click on an empty space on the Folder Tab field
2. See next slide

Folder Tab Controls from the Folder Options Button

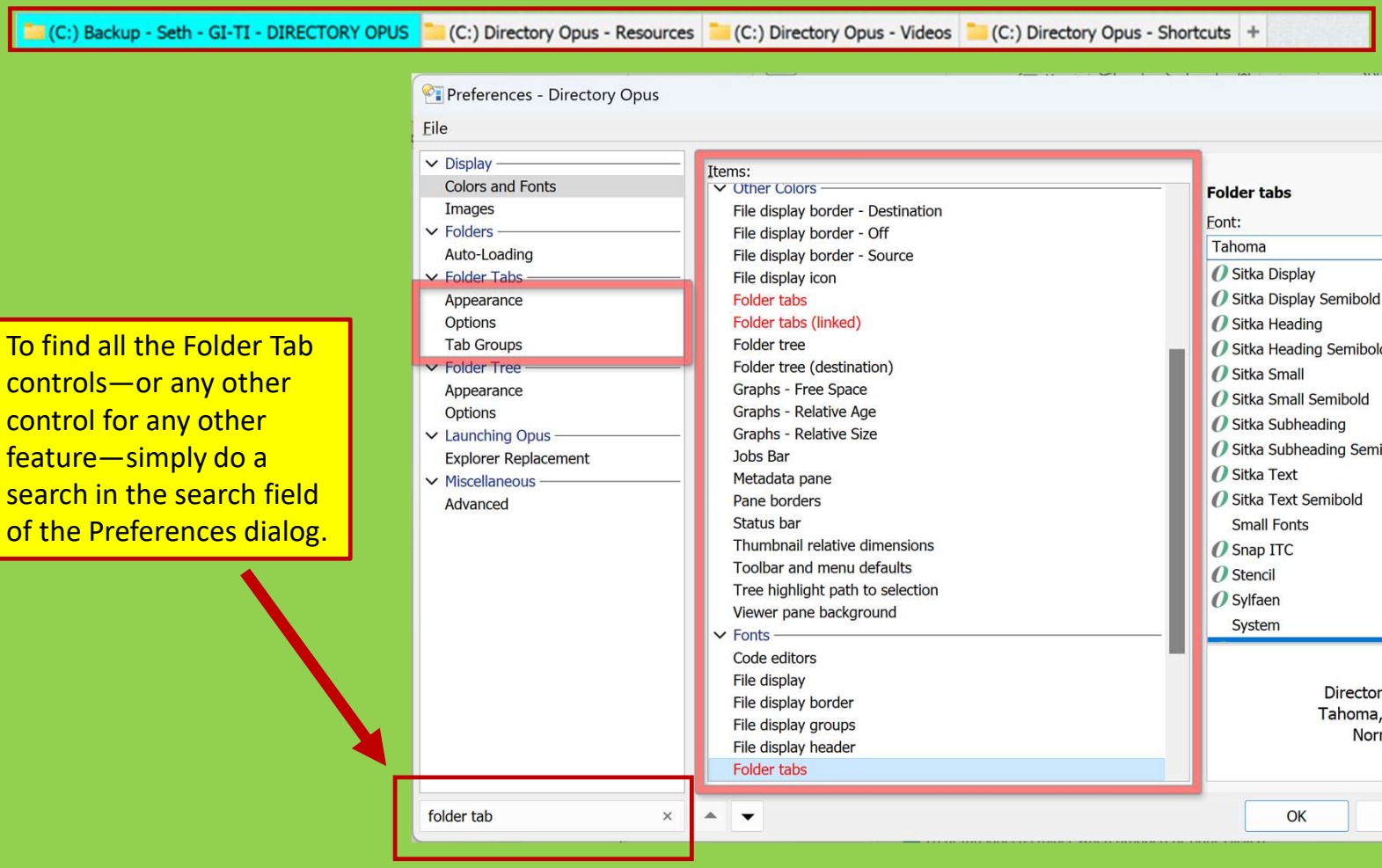
The **Folder Options / Folder Tabs** menu ( ) in the default toolbars contains a number of commands used to control tabs:

- **New Tab for Current**: Opens the current folder in a new tab.
- **New Tab for Parent**: Opens the parent of the current folder in a new tab.
- **New Tabs for Selected**: Opens any selected folders in new tabs (for example, selecting three sub-folders in the current folder and run this command, would result in three new tabs being opened showing those folders).
- **New Tabs for Parents**: Opens the parents of any selected items in new tabs. This is useful in a collection (e.g. Find Results) where the parent of the selected items is not necessarily the current folder.
- **Tab Groups**: This sub-menu lets you access any tag groups you have defined.
- **Close Tab**: Closes the current folder tab.
- **Undo Close Tab**: Re-opens the most recently closed folder tab.



Customized button (label added) on the Operations Toolbar

Folder Tabs Options

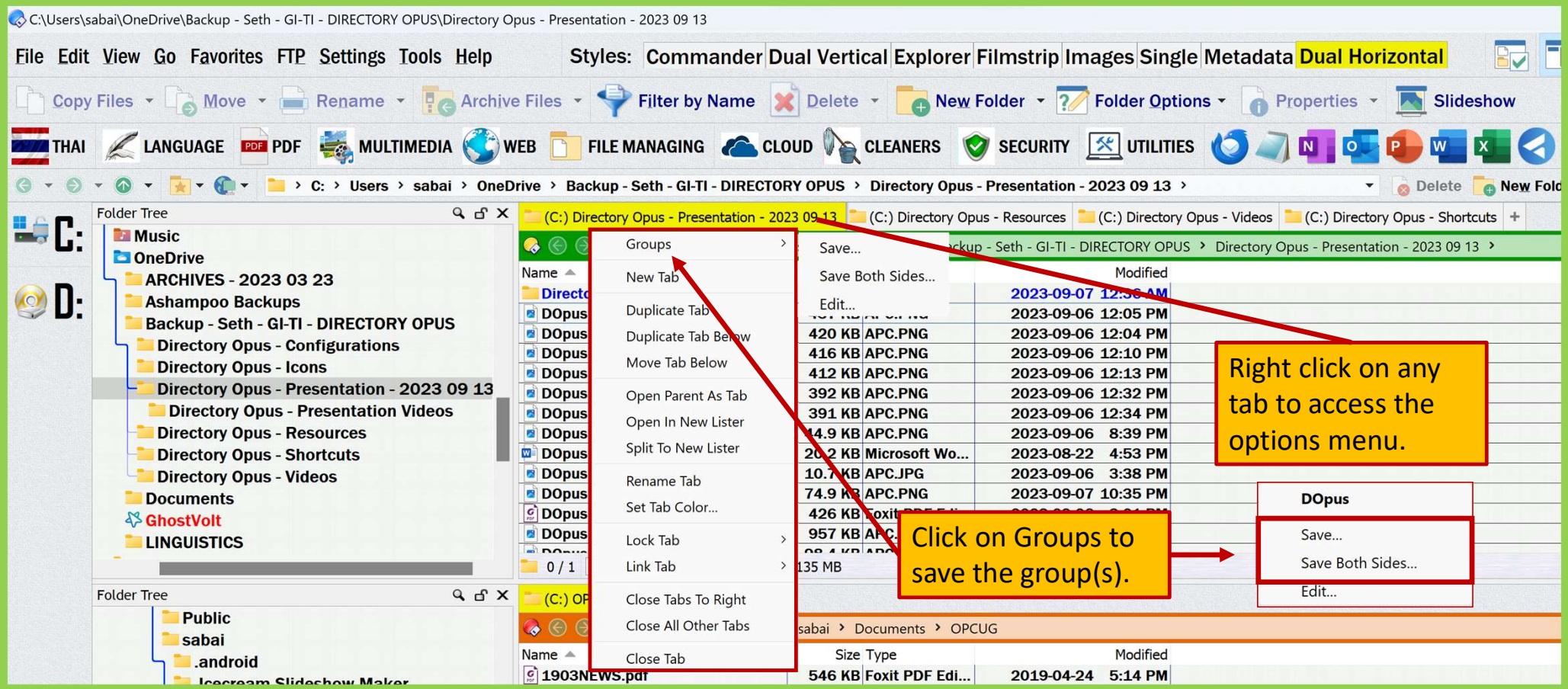


Quick Tip

To find all the Folder Tab controls—or any other control for any other feature—simply do a search in the search field of the Preferences dialog.

Tabs Management (Groups and Other Options)

In Directory Opus, you have the possibility to save groups of tabs, and open/close them at any time.



Hint: Ctrl + F gives access to all three panels (drop-down arrow)

The Three Utility Panels

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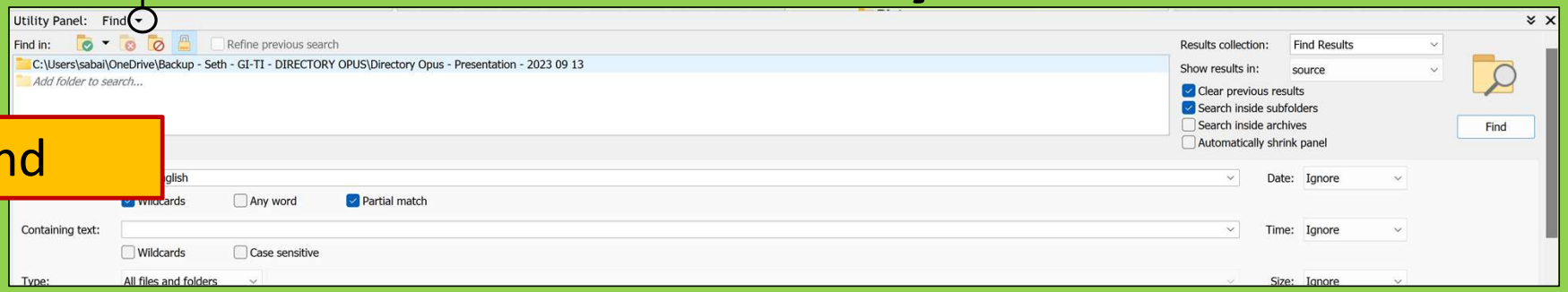

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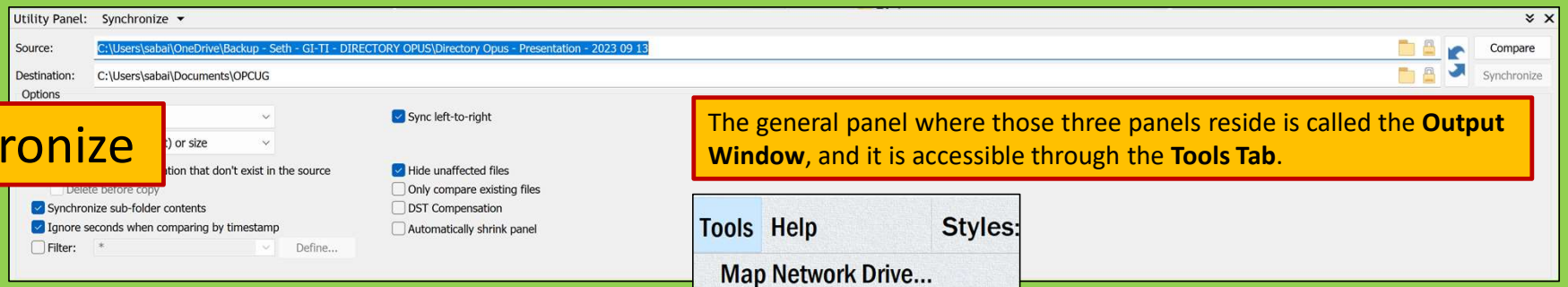
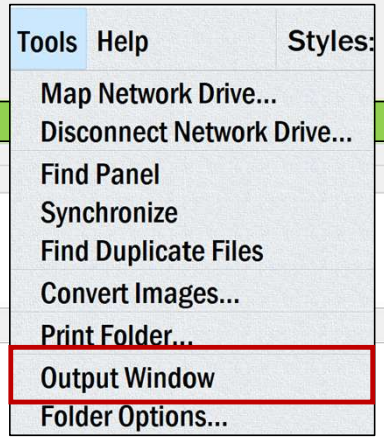


The general panel where those three panels reside is called the **Output Window**, and it is accessible through the **Tools Tab**.



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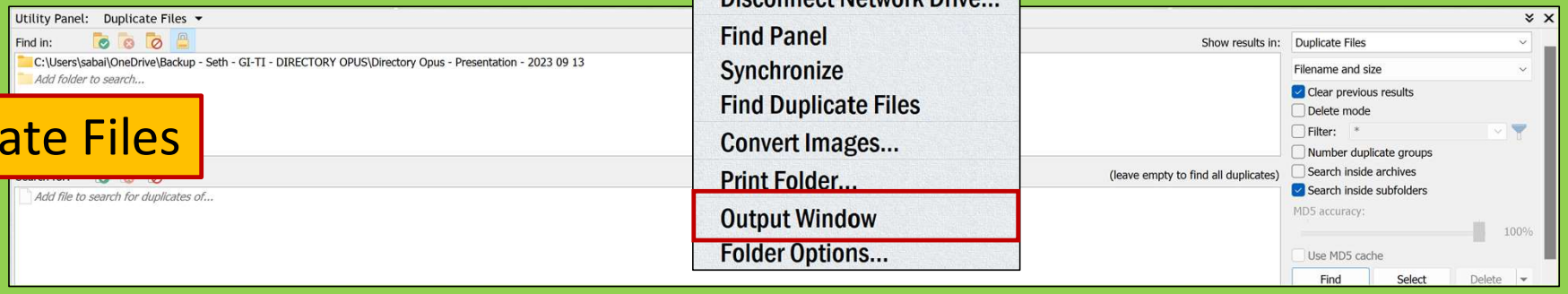
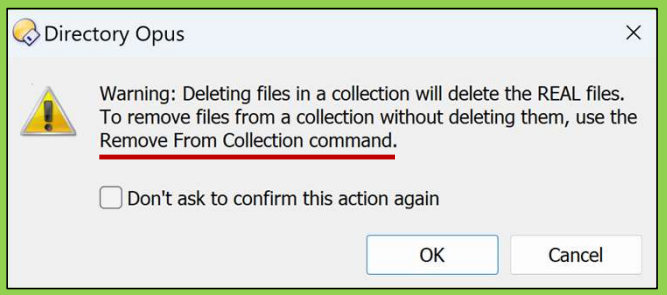


File Collections

- A **file collection** is a virtual folder that acts as a container for other files and folders.
- The items in a file collection do not need to be stored in the same physical folder—they can reside in other folders, on other disks, or even in other virtual file systems like FTP.
- When you add items to a collection they are not actually moved or modified at all—all Opus stores is a reference to the original file.
- Collections are also used by the flickr photo-sharing synchronization system to store references to your photos no matter where on your system they are physically located.

You can work with the files in a file collection (copy them, rename them, delete them, etc.) just like you would with the real files.



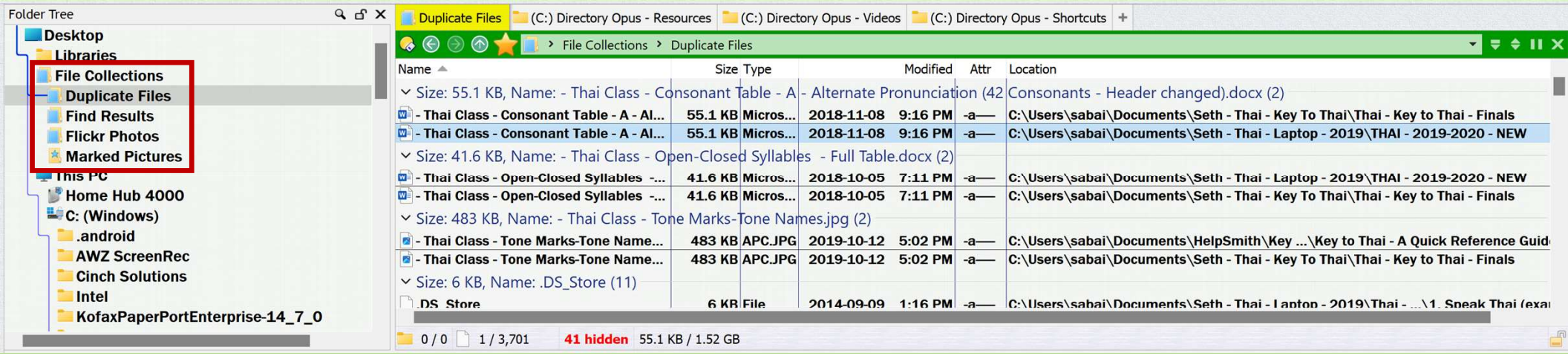
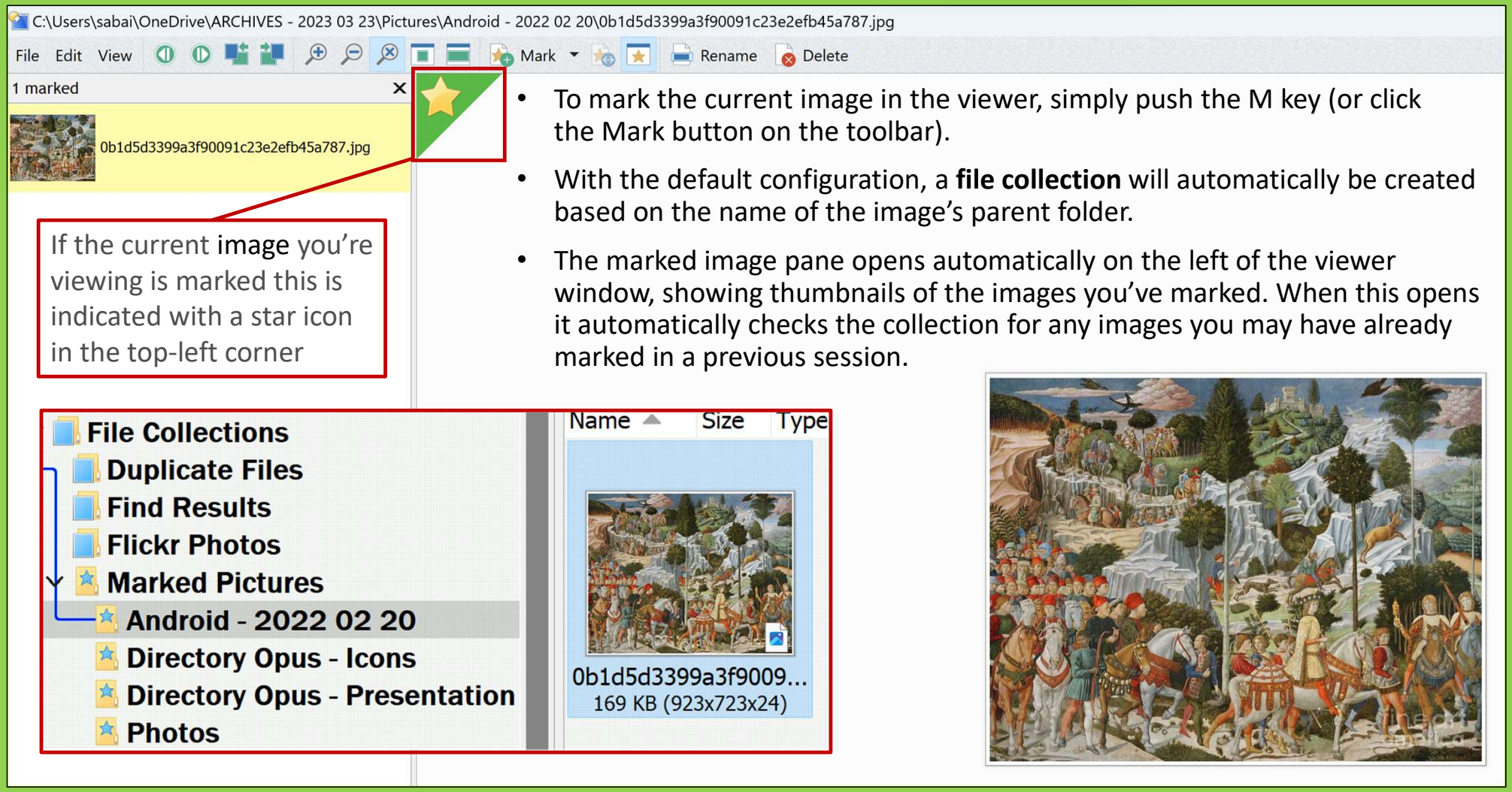


Image Marking

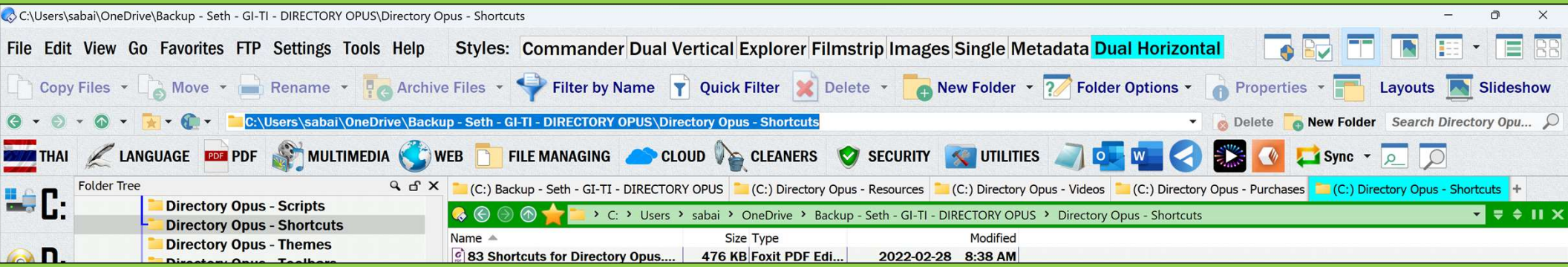
- A common task is sorting through a bunch of digital photos, working out which ones to keep, which ones to upload, which ones to print, etc. The Image Marking feature in the standalone viewer can make this process very simple.
- **Images you mark are automatically added to a file collection.** Additionally, thumbnails of the images you've marked are shown in a separate panel in the viewer, and there are commands that make it easy to move around the marked images.
- If you want to take a break from your session you can simply close the viewer and come back to it later—all images that you've marked will be saved in the file collection. When you've marked one or more images and you close the viewer, Opus will automatically display the file collection for you in a new tab—you can change this behaviour in **Preferences**.



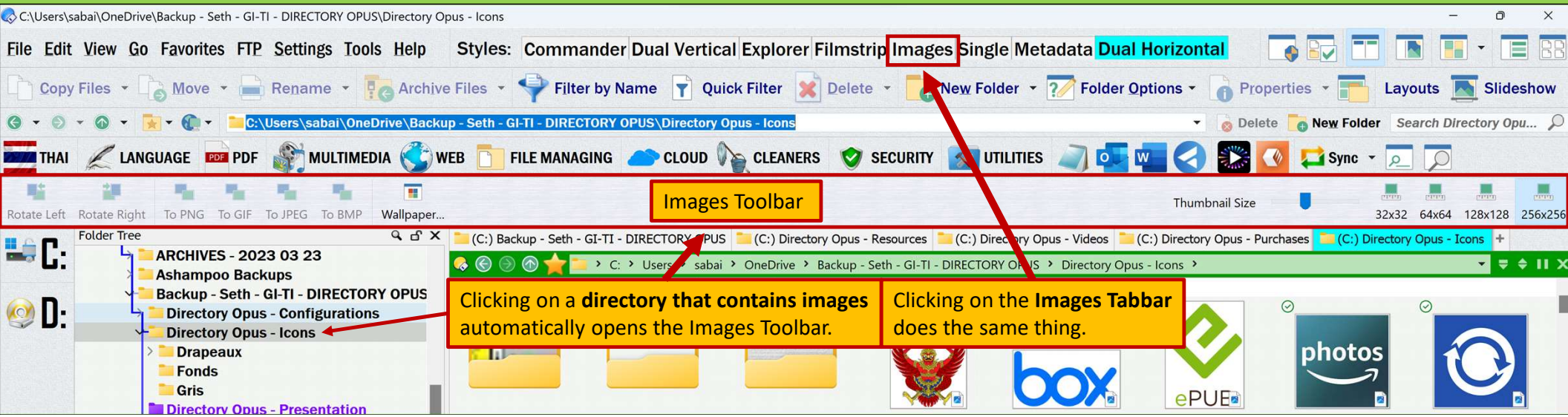
- To mark the current image in the viewer, simply push the M key (or click the Mark button on the toolbar).
- With the default configuration, a **file collection** will automatically be created based on the name of the image's parent folder.
- The marked image pane opens automatically on the left of the viewer window, showing thumbnails of the images you've marked. When this opens it automatically checks the collection for any images you may have already marked in a previous session.

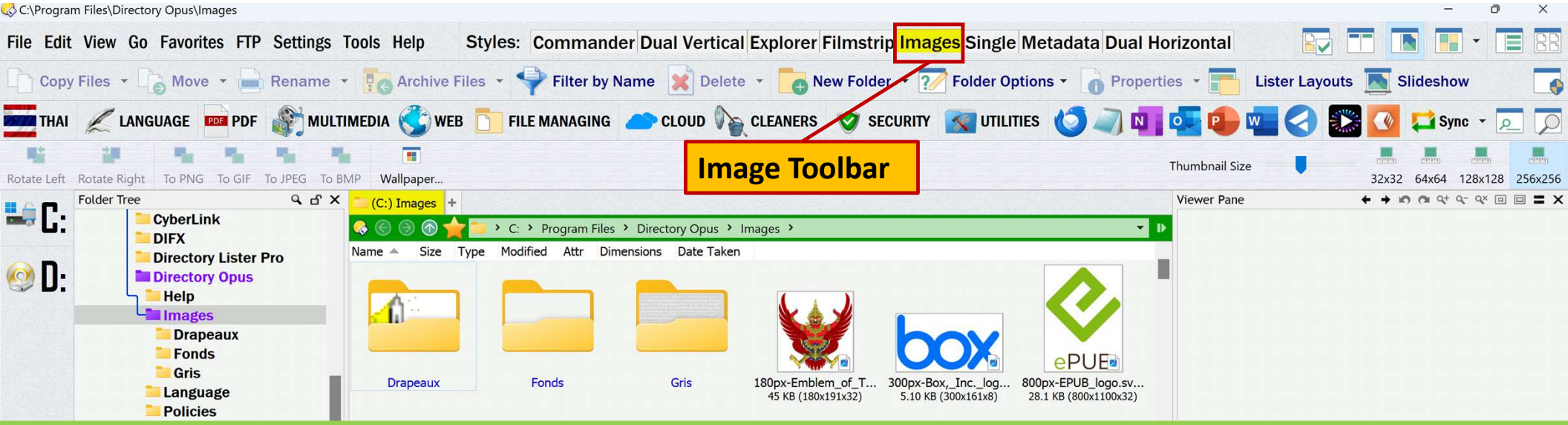
The Images Toolbar & Images Tabbar

Directory **not containing** Images



Directory **containing** Images



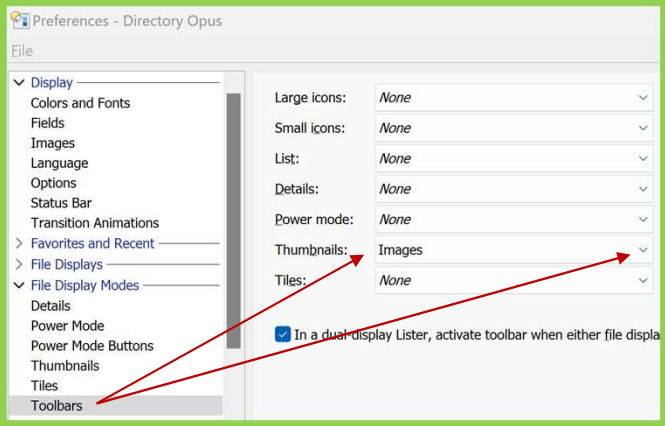


How to Disable Images Toolbar in Thumbnail Mode

Some users find annoying the fact that the Image toolbar open up in Image mode (perhaps you just want to see the images, not edit them).

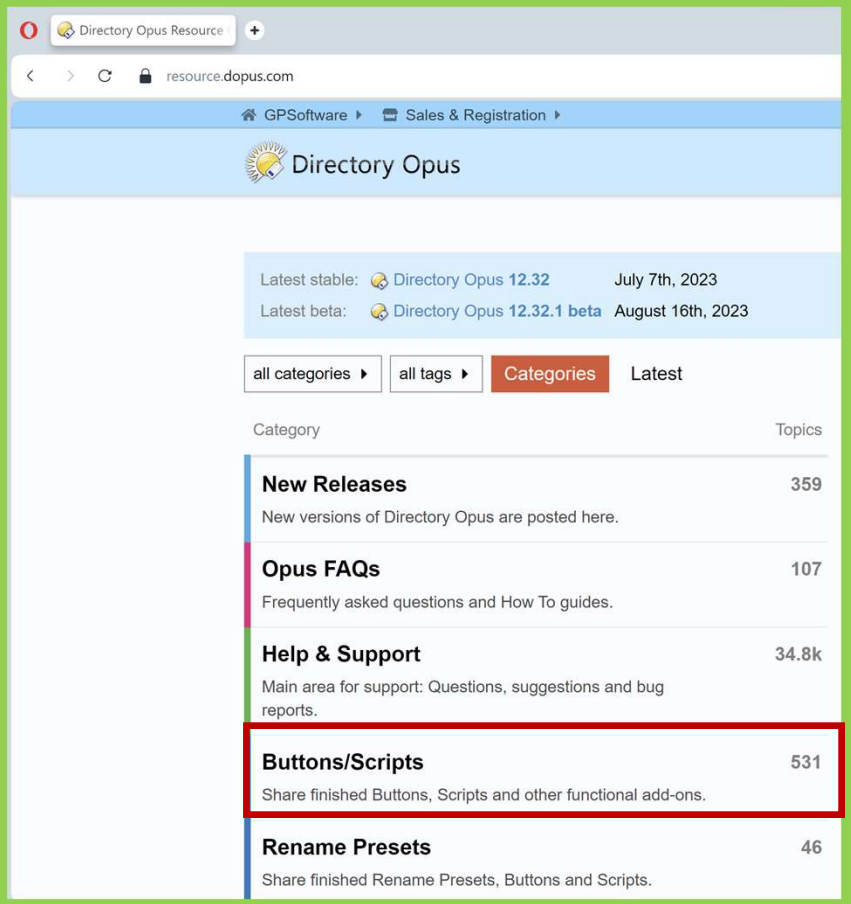
Question: How do I stop the images toolbar from opening automatically when I switch from details view to thumbnails view?

Answer: Go to **Preferences > File Display Modes > Toolbars** and turn off images in the Thumbnails field by clicking on *None* at the top of the drop-down menu.



Scripts

- Directory Opus is supported by a large community of users who create and share buttons and scripts that you can use to be more efficient and enhance your Windows experience overall.
- The Directory Opus Resource Centre **Buttons/Scripts** section lists over hundreds of scripts, including some for Directory opus to interact with common programs such as **Everything**, **Dropbox**, **Calibre**, **Outlook**, “Attach to Mail (directly or as zip) for **Thunderbird**”, “Open **Google Maps** at Image's GPS Coordinates”.
- Scripts can easily be embedded in toolbar buttons.



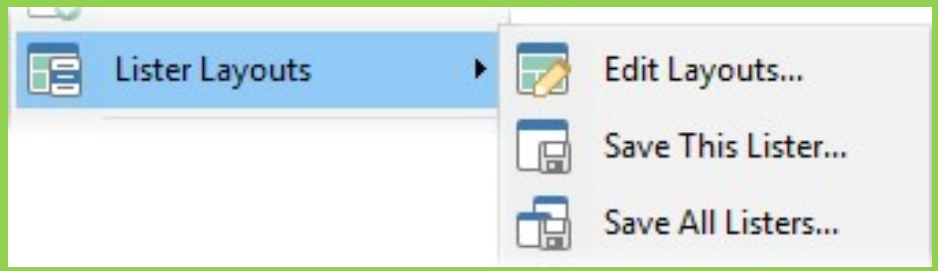
IMPORTANT

Scripts are easy to install but **do follow the instructions given by their authors!**

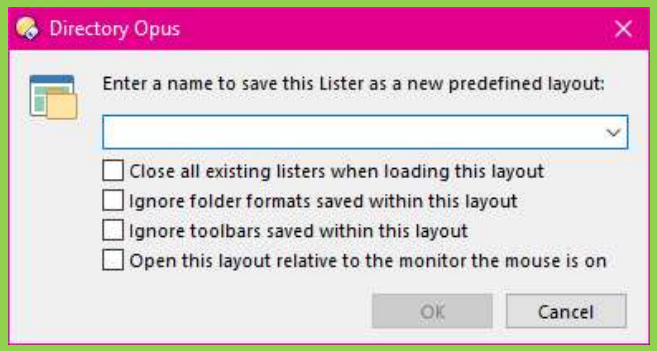
How to Use Buttons and Scripts from the Forum
https://resource.dopus.com/t/how-to-add-buttons-from-this-forum-to-your-toolbars/3546/1

How to Save Different Layouts for Different Purposes

- A **Lister Layout** is a saved collection of one or more Listers that you can re-open at any time. Layouts are created when you save your currently open Listers as a set using the commands in the Settings / Lister Layouts menu.



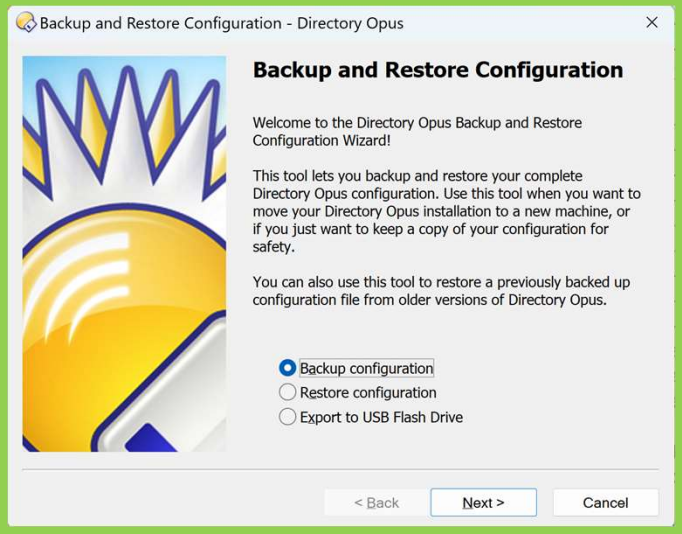
- The **Edit Layouts** command will open the **Preferences dialog** showing the **Layouts and Styles / Layouts** page. From this page you can view a list of all your saved layouts, rename them, re-order them, delete them, etc.
- The **Save This Lister** command saves only the currently active Lister, whereas the **Save All Listers** command saves **all** open Listers to the layout.

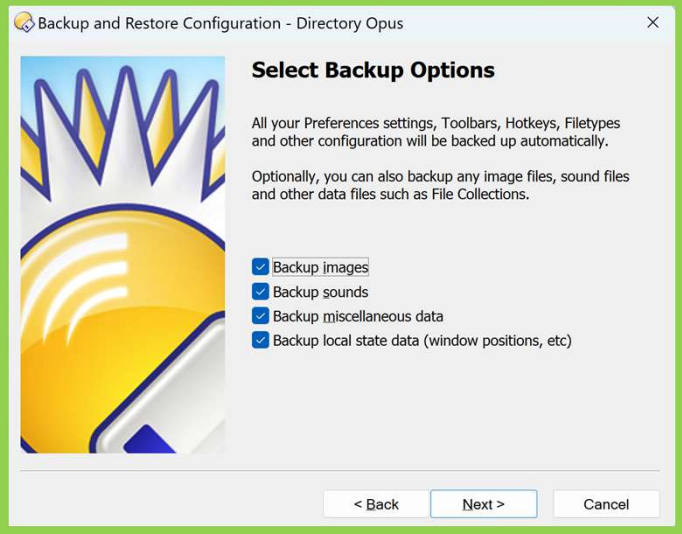


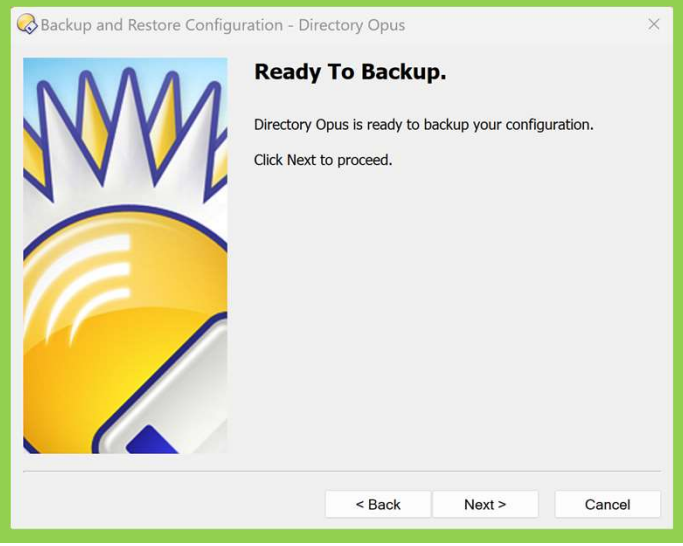
When you save a Layout, you can choose various options that will apply whenever that layout is re-loaded:

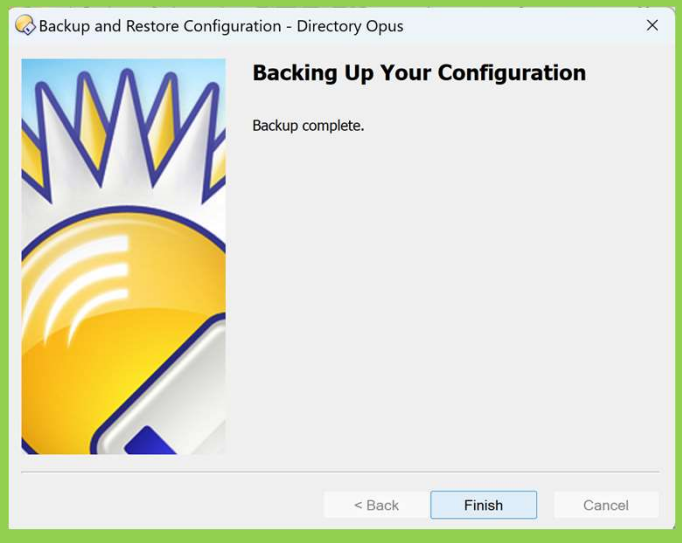
How to Backup Your Configuration

Settings > Backup & Restore









Directory Opus Shortcuts Keys

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Directory Opus

File Menu

Ctrl+E	Open new lister
Alt+F4, Shift+Escape	Close lister

View Menu

Ctrl+Shift+D	Details
Ctrl+Shift+H	Details + thumbnails
Ctrl+Shift+M	Thumbnails

Operations Toolbar

Ctrl+1	Copy files
Ctrl+Shift+1	Copy as
Ctrl+2	Move
Ctrl+Shift+2	Move as
Ctrl+3	Rename
Ctrl+N	New folder
Ctrl+H	New archive
Ctrl+O	New text document
Delete	Delete
Ctrl+Shift+A	Admin
Ctrl+4	Archive files
Ctrl+Shift+4	Files to separate archives
Alt+Enter	Properties
Ctrl+B	Attributes
Ctrl+P	Description
Ctrl+M	Edit metadata
F1	Help
Alt+C	Copy Files menu
Alt+M	Move menu
Alt+N	Rename menu
Alt+W	New Folder menu
Alt+D	Delete menu
Alt+R	Properties menu
Alt+H	Help menu

Edit Menu

Ctrl+Z	Undo
Ctrl+X	Cut
Ctrl+C	Copy
Ctrl+V	Paste
Ctrl+Shift+N	Copy file names
Ctrl+Shift+C	Copy full pathnames
Ctrl+A	Select all
Ctrl+S	Select by pattern
Ctrl+I	Invert selection

Misc

Ctrl+D	Add to favorites
Ctrl+NumPad+	Autosize columns
Alt+←	Back
Shift+Delete	Delete force
Alt+→	Forward
Ctrl+Backspace	Go root
Backspace	Go up
F2	Inline rename
F4	Location
Win+Shift+E	New lister
Ctrl+PgDn, Ctrl+→	Next tab
Ctrl+Shift+PgDn	Next tab (dest)
Ctrl+Shift+→	Next tab (dest)
Shift+Enter	Path entry
Ctrl+PgUp, Ctrl+←	Previous tab
Ctrl+Shift+PgUp	Previous tab (dest)
Ctrl+Shift+←	Previous tab (dest)
F5, Browser Refresh	Refresh
Ctrl+F5, Shift+F5	Refresh thumbnails
Ctrl+NumPad*	Restore filter
Ctrl+Shift+8	Restore filter
F3	Search
Ctrl+=	Zoom in
Ctrl+-	Zoom out
Ctrl+0 (zero)	Zoom reset

FTP Menu

Ctrl+Q	FTP connect
Ctrl+Shift+Q	Edit address book

Folder Menu

Ctrl+T	New tab for current
Ctrl+Shift+T	New tabs for selected
Ctrl+W, Ctrl+F4	Close tab
Ctrl+Shift+W	Undo close tab

Menu Bar

Alt+F	File menu
Alt+E	Edit menu
Alt+P	FTP menu
Alt+T	Tools menu
Alt+S	Settings menu
Alt+V	View menu
Alt+O	Folder menu
Alt+L	Lister menu

Tools Menu

Ctrl+F	Find files
Ctrl+Y	Synchronize
Ctrl+U	Find duplicate files

Lister Menu

F6	Dual display
F7	Viewer pane
F8	Folder tree
Shift+F8	Dual folder tree
F9	Metadata pane

Alt-click on an object to simultaneously open the Customize dialog **and** the object Edit dialog box.

https://cheatkeys.com/CheatSheet/Directory-Opus

Image Marking Shortcuts Keys

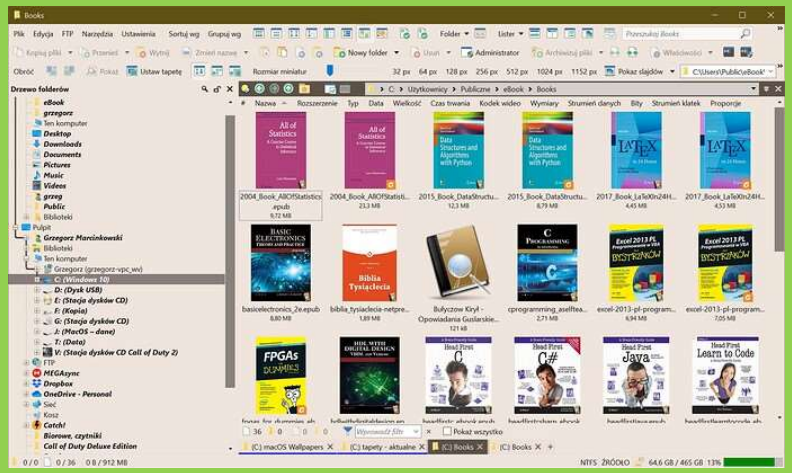
Image Marking Shortcut Keys

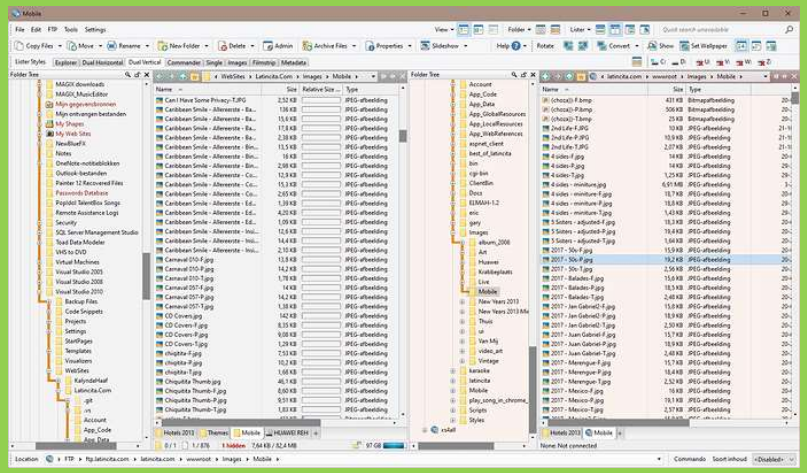
You can jump around the marked images by double-clicking their thumbnail. The marked image pane also lets you rename images by selecting their icon and pressing **F2**. The following keys relating to marking are also defined by default in the viewer:

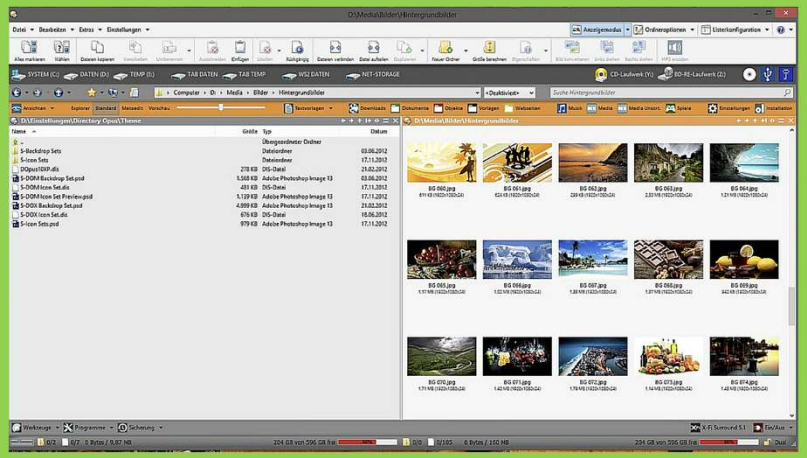
- **M / Insert**: Mark / unmark the current image
- **Ctrl + M**: Show or hide the marked image pane
- **Ctrl + Left**: Jump to previously marked image
- **Ctrl + Right**: Jump to next marked image
- **Ctrl + Up**: Jump to first marked image
- **Ctrl + Down**: Jump to last marked image
- **Ctrl + Space**: Return from jump to last viewed image
- **Shift + M**: Exchange mark with previously marked image

These keys make it very easy to jump back and forth between images you've marked and your current "position" in the list of images.

Examples of interfaces Developed by Users







… And a Few More of mine Developed Over the Years

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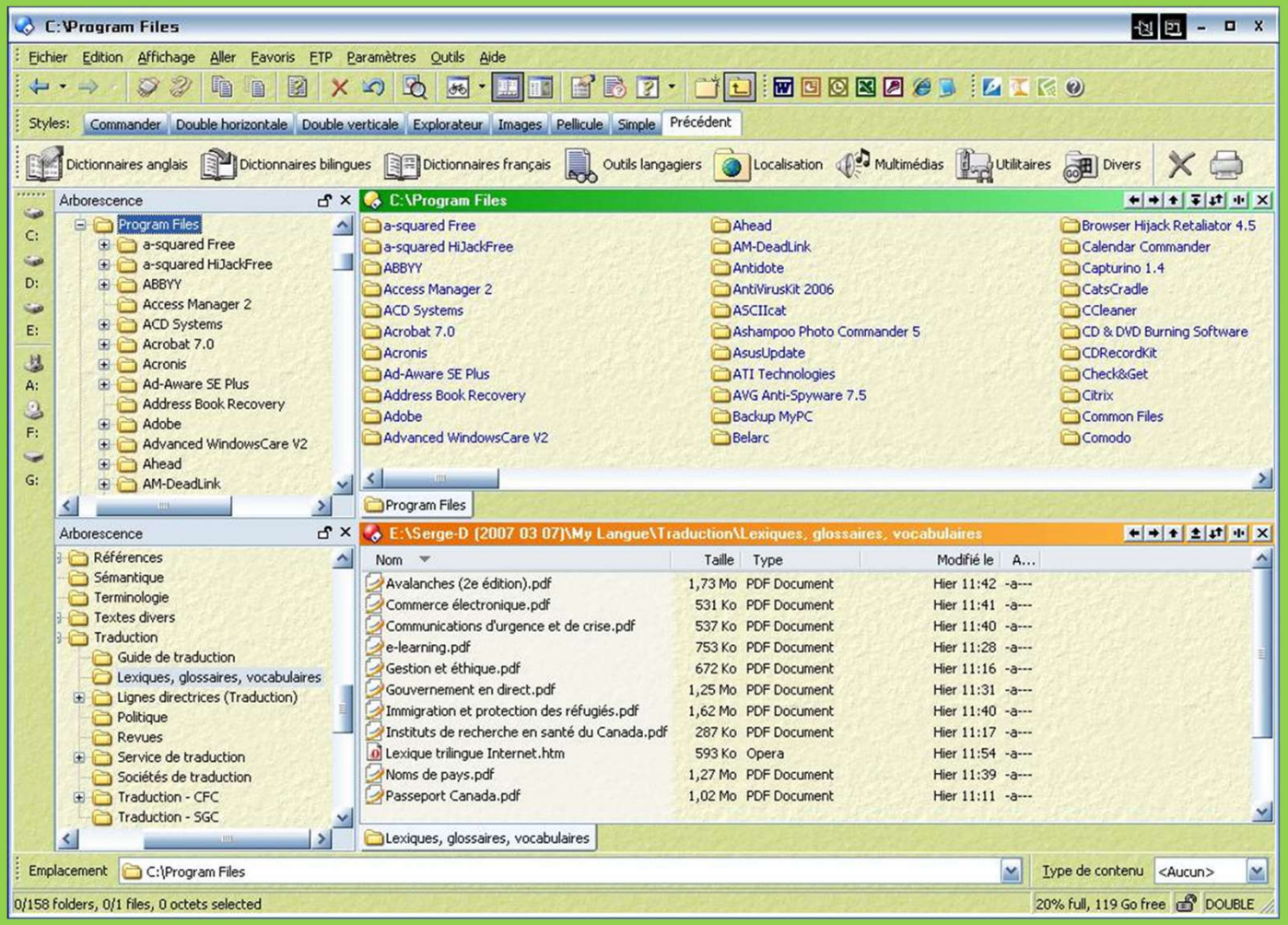

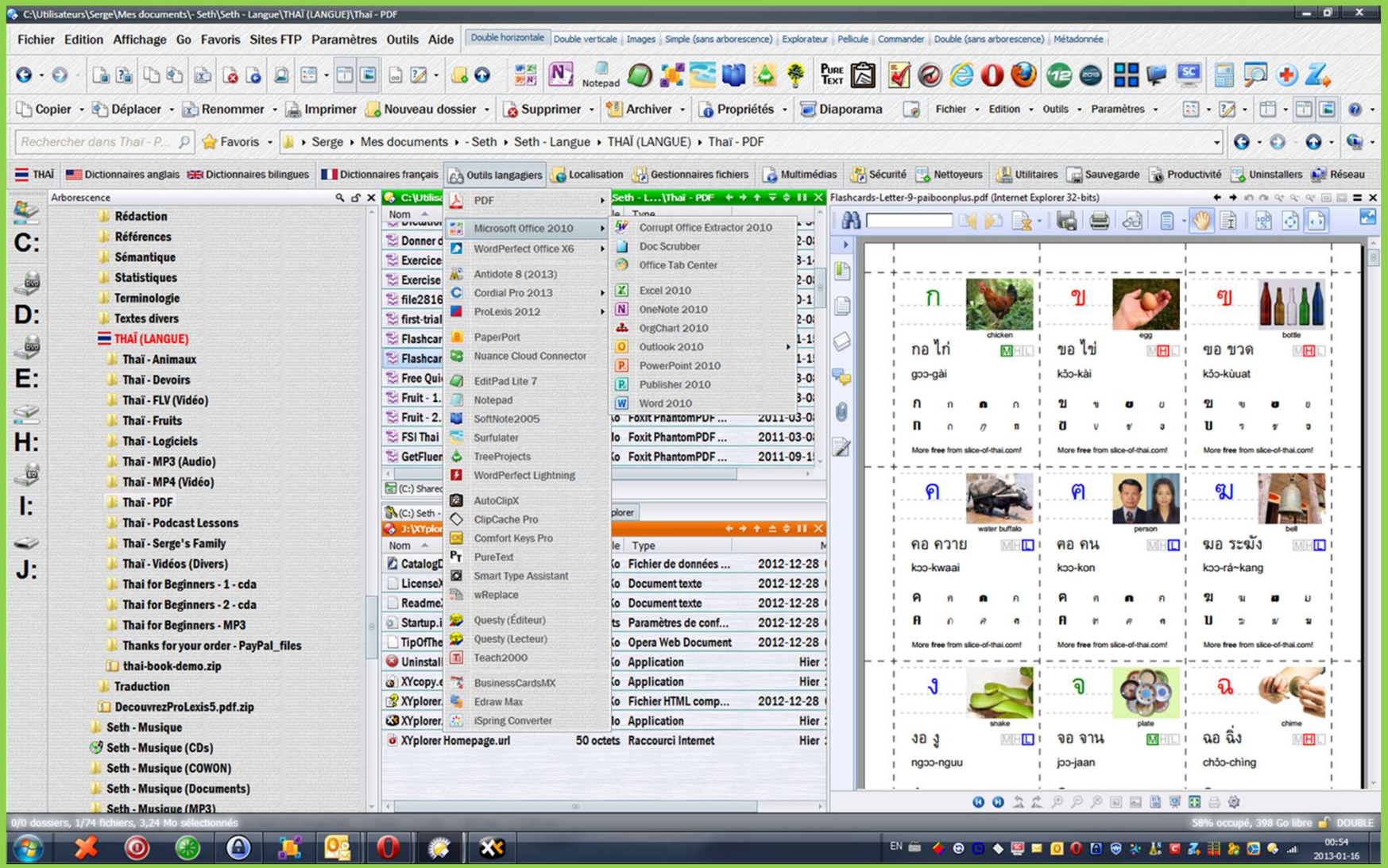
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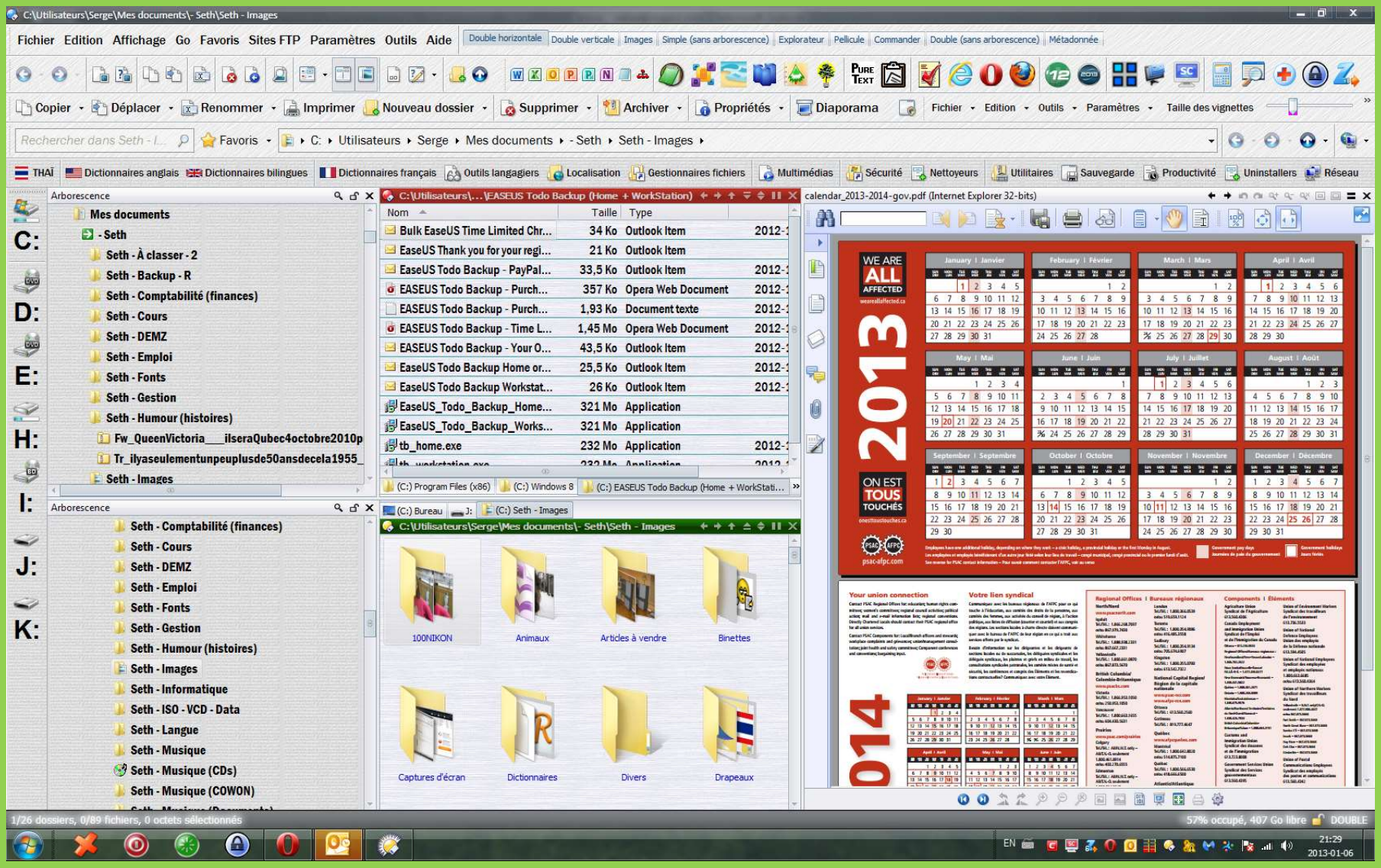
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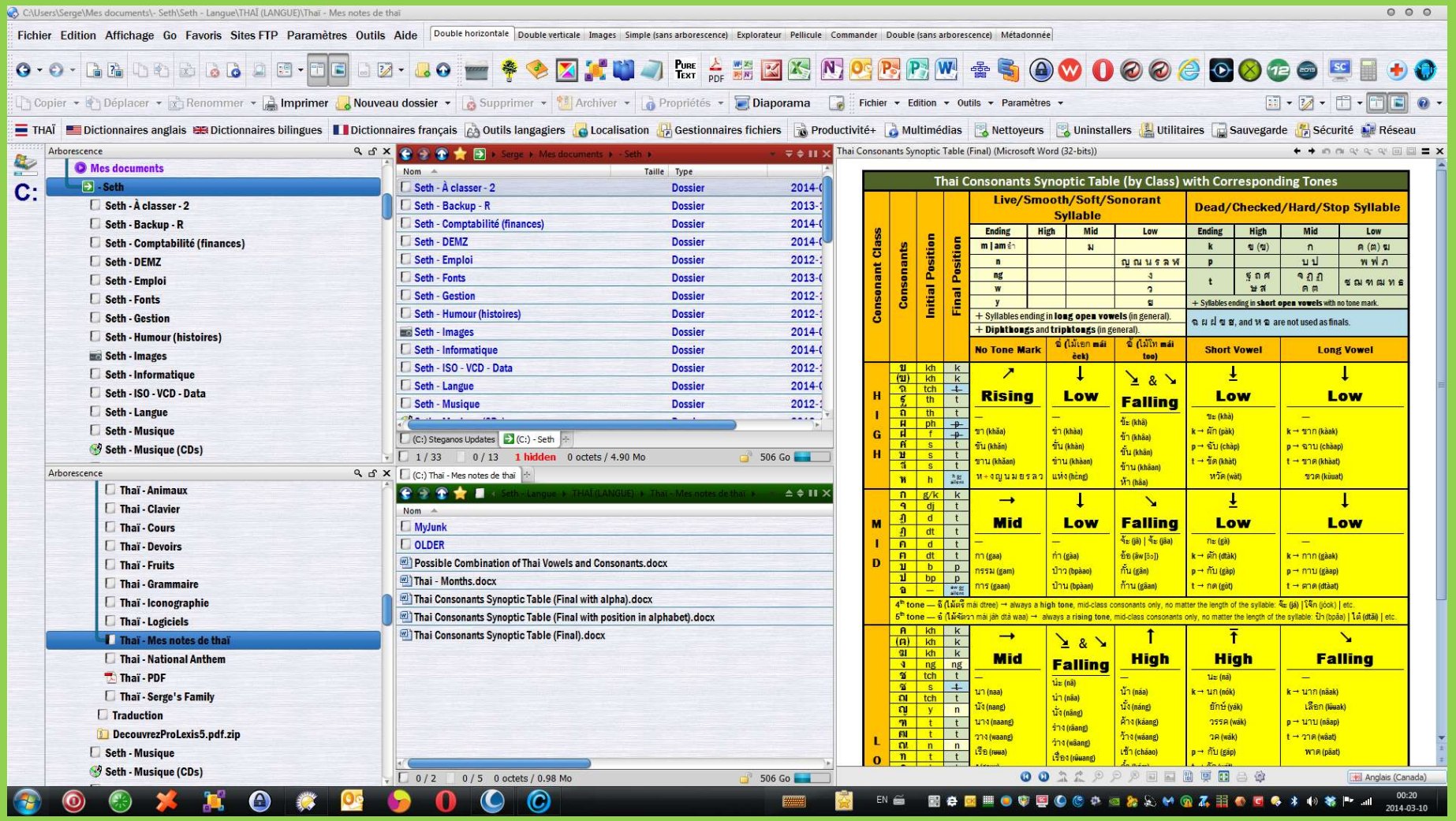
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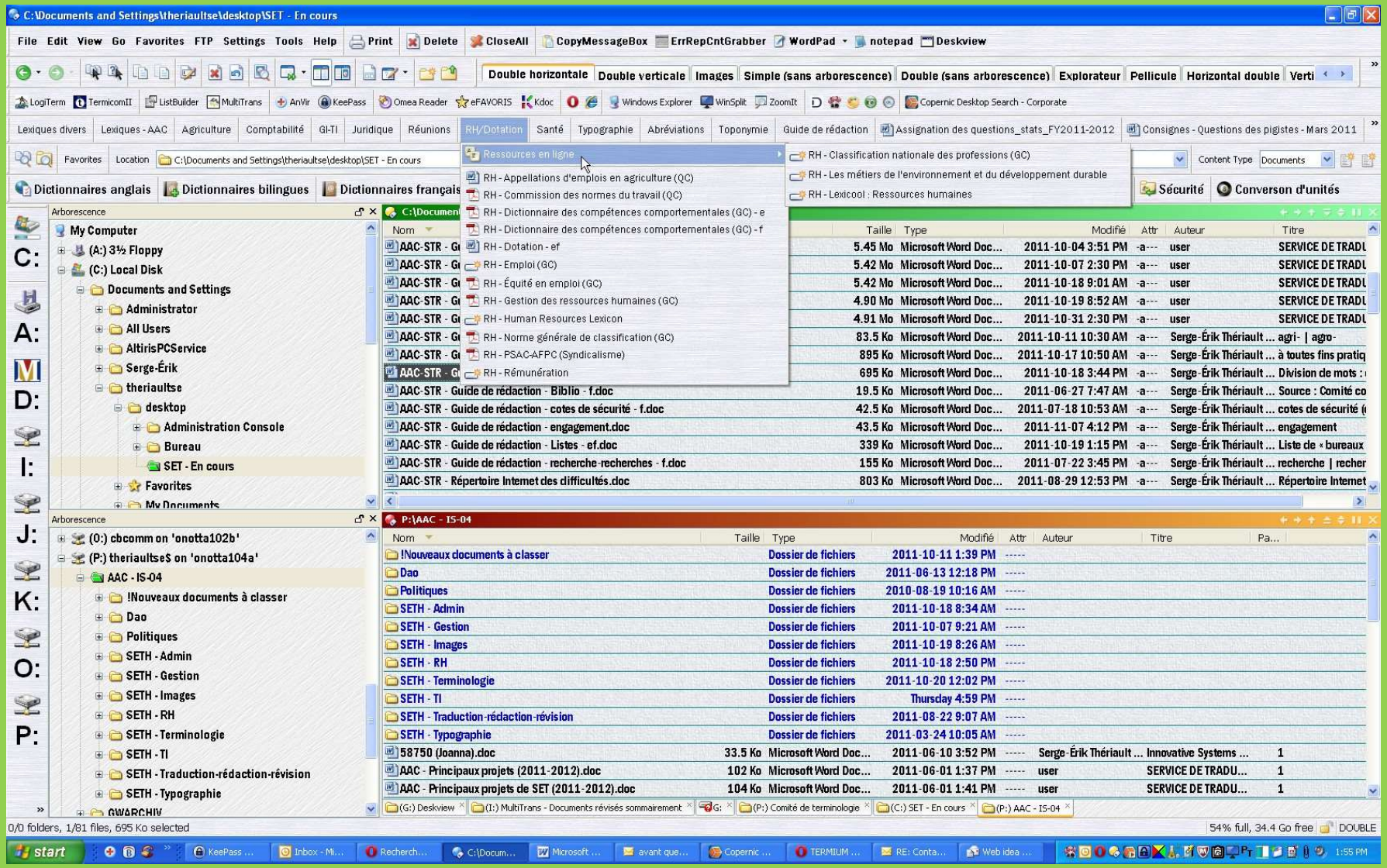
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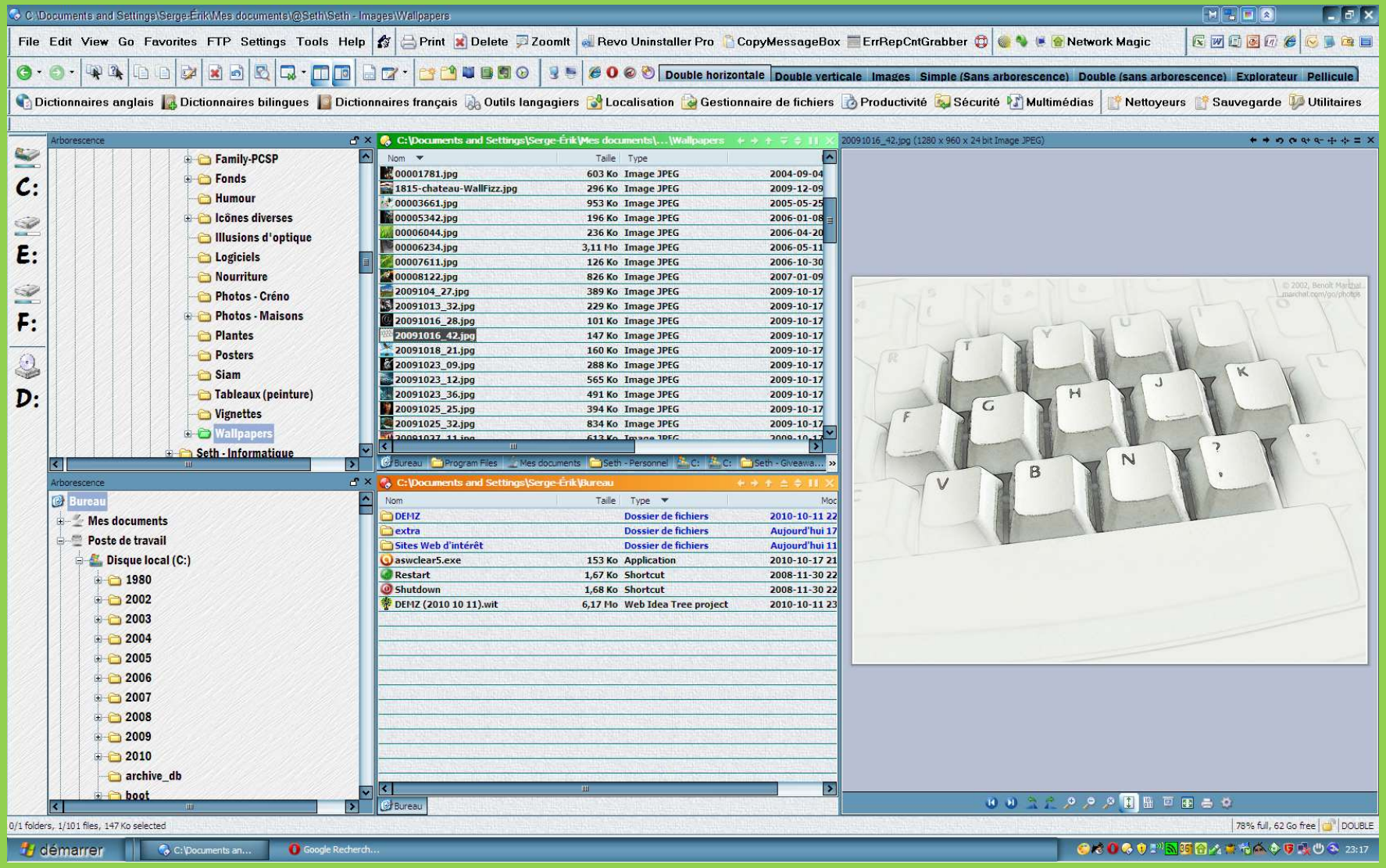
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The most important thing to remember about Opus is:

If you don't like something, you can probably change it!

Ressources

- **Directory Opus 12 Documentation** (600-page manual!)
  ✓ https://www.gpsoft.com.au/docs.html
- **Directory Opus Resource Centre**
  https://resource.dopus.com
- **Directory Opus Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)**
  https://www.gpsoft.com.au/support/faq.html
- **Dear Opus…** (The Other Manual)
  ✓ https://www.dearopus.com
- **Shortcut keys**
  https://cheatkeys.com/CheatSheet/Directory-Opus
- **Create your own Folder Icon Change toolbar [UPDATED: 2.0]**
  https://resource.dopus.com/t/create-your-own-folder-icon-change-toolbar-updated-2-0/9774/1

Video Tutorials

List of tutorials on the Directory Opus Resource Centre
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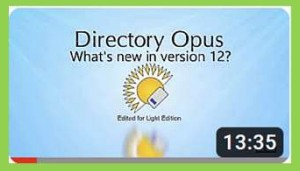

Opus 12 Light Edition: What's New
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3g5UB_746nA&t=1s

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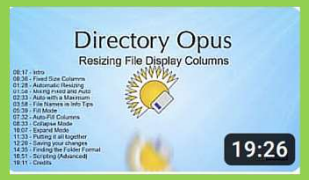

Directory Opus 12: Resizing File Display Columns, and Folder Formats
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jS1Mvs46WH8

Directory Opus Quickies: FlatView(tm) - Tame That Folder Structure!
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6fMeJmkD_Go

Part 1/4 - Directory Opus 12.10 Tutorial/Highlights
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GGGaof_6-mM

Part 2/4 - Directory Opus 12.10 Tutorial/Highlights
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Part 3/4 - Directory Opus 12.10 Tutorial/Highlights
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Part 4/4 - Directory Opus 12.10 Tutorial/Highlights
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4LkobvqaugA

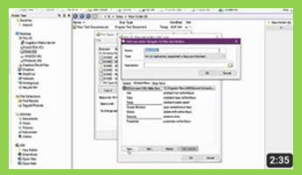
Directory Opus (File Manager) - Customization / Layout / Look 'n Feel
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x5fH2H2APOY

Video Tutorials (*Cont'd*)

Directory Opus: THE File Manager for Windows - Setup, Configure, Tricks, Tips and Primer
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MUEYU4q4kyk

Opus: Creating Complex Directory Structures
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=biLRcTmW3G0

The Best Windows File Management Software
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EZ7StNiPehA



Adding context menu commands in Directory Opus
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9kOq-YLZmQc

Directory Opus: Toolbar Editing
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZM-B-YJzqjA

How to use your Folder's Icon in the Taskbar with Directory Opus
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aBiqOzHa2r8

How to create buttons in Directory Opus & learn more amazing tips!
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vlh5XqIykLw

Directory Opus: Personalize Folder Colors, Columns, Labels and more!
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-L8ybqqUmFo

Directory Opus Quickie: Multiple Filters on a File Lister
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GaKFPrHakEw

How to set up a Quick Filter Menu

- https://resource.dopus.com/t/how-to-set-up-a-quick-filter-menu/19777
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5P9VGtf8-o0