

## Re: For the Windoze haters – VS2005

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On Tue, 07 Feb 2006 08:00:52 +0000, Paul Burke wrote:

John Larkin wrote:

In the DOS days, anybody could hack out a GW Basic program with minimal training, in a few minutes. Microsoft is increasingly putting programming out of our reach. So I, for one, am interested in any "accessible" programming techniques.

For the limited Windows programming that I do, I find Borland C++ Builder fine. It does the clever windows stuff for me, leaves me to program what I want, there are lots of noble– hearted individuals out there who have written useful little extras for it. Of course, though it's still available, development has stopped, but that's markets for you.

Paul Burke

If you like Microsoft, and like easy GUI programming, there's Visual Basic. I got VB4 "Standard Edition" in about 1995 for \$99.00, and still have it – I could put a CD image on my website if you'd like. ;-) It's probably illegal, but I could put a disclaimer: "If you download this, please send Microsoft ninety–nine dollars American." ;-)

Or, I could put Linux on my website and you could download it for free. Or from any of the Linux websites. ;-)

Cheers!  
Rich

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