

Advanced player setting: Show preview thumbnails on the seek bar

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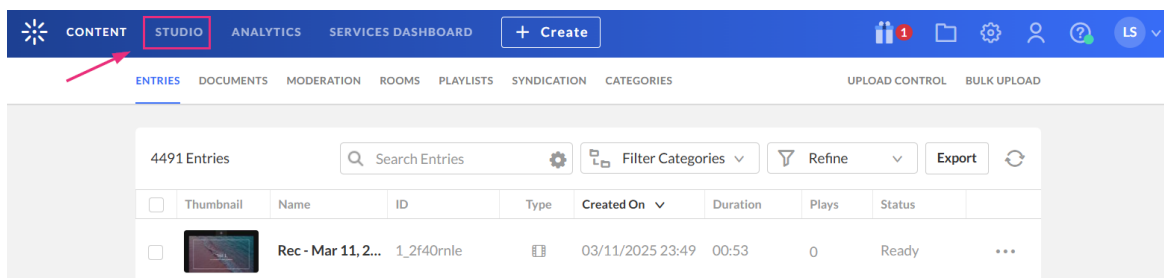
You can show preview thumbnails on the seek bar through the player's **Advanced Settings**. This configuration is not exposed in the standard Player Studio interface.

Use this setting to display thumbnail previews when users hover over the timeline.

Access the advanced settings

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1. Log into your Rich Media CMS and click the **Studio** tab.



The [Player Studio](#) page displays.

2. Click the player you want to edit from the list (or use the search bar in the top right).



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Name	ID	Last Modified	Creation Date	Plays (Last 30 days)	Domains (Last 30 days)	
☆ Smart player	56381652	03/11/2025	03/11/2025	0	0	...
☆ new player	53139222	03/11/2025	08/18/2023	0	0	...
☆ Reels test	56351222	03/04/2025	03/04/2025	1	1	...

The player settings display.

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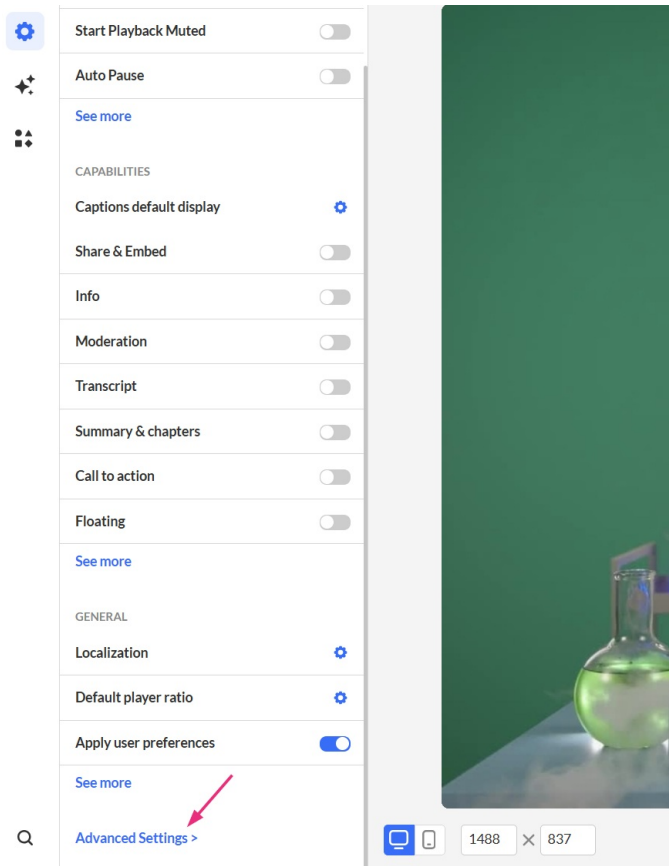
Default player ratio

Apply user preferences



1488 x 837 Demo video

3. Scroll to the bottom of the player settings and click **Advanced Settings**.



The Advanced Settings editor displays.



Show preview thumbnails on seek bar

1. In the **Advanced Settings** tab, hover over **ui** then click the **green + icon**.

```

    "volume" : float 0.5
    "audioLanguage" : string "en"
    "inBrowserFullscreen" : bool true
  }
  ▶ "provider" : {} 0 items
  ▼ "ui" : { 1 item + ×
    ▼ "components" : { 1 item + ×
      ▼ "seekbar" : { 4 items

```

2. In the **Key Name** box, enter: `config.ui.components.seekbar.thumbsSprite`, then click the green checkmark or press 'Enter'.

```

"config" : { 7 items
  ▼ "plugins" : { 1 item
    ▶ "kaltura" : { 1 item
      ▼ "kaltura" : { 1 item
        "showLiveViewers" : bool false

```

Key Name:

You see the new setting listed.

```

    "inBrowserFullscreen" : bool true
  }
  ▶ "provider" : {} 0 items
  ▼ "ui" : { 2 items
    ▶ "components" : {} 0 items
    "config.ui.components.seekbar.thumbsSprite"
    : NULL
  }
  ▼ "text" : { 1 item

```

3. Hover over the setting and click the **green edit icon**.

```

"config.ui.components.seekbar.thumbsSprite"
: NULL [edit] [delete]

```

A box containing a null value displays.

```

"config.ui.components.seekbar.thumbsSprite"
: null [edit] [delete]

```

4. Remove the null value and paste in the URL of your thumbnail image, then click the **green checkmark**.

```

"ui" : { 2 items
  ▶ "components" : {} 0 items
  "config.ui.components.seekbar.thumbsSprite"
  "
  :
  https://cdnbakmi.kaltu
  ra.com/p/4834032/sp/48
  3403200/thumbnail/entr
  y_id/1_aaa551bq/def_he
  ight/480/def_width/640
  /vid_slices/92
  }
  
```

The string displays.

```

"ui" : { 2 items
  ▶ "components" : {} 0 items
  "config.ui.components.seekbar.thumbsSprite"
  "
  :
  string "https://cdnbakmi.kaltura.com/p/4834032/si
  "
  }
  
```

5. Click **Save** at the top right before exiting.

To disable this feature, enter an empty string (' ') in the value field, and click **Save**.

If the setting doesn't appear after saving, try refreshing the page.

Optional: Adjust thumbnail display settings

You can fine-tune how thumbnails appear using the following keys:

Thumbnail width

Key Name: `config.ui.components.seekbar.thumbsWidth`

```

"config" : { 7 items
  ▶ "plugins"
  ▶ "kav"
  ▶ "kal"
  "showLiveViewers" : bool false
  
```

Example value: `164`

```

"config.ui.components.seekbar.thumbsWidth"
:
164
int 164
  
```

Thumbnail height

Key Name: `config.ui.components.seekbar.thumbsHeight`

Example value: `92`

Number of slices (frames)

Key Name: `config.ui.components.seekbar.thumbsSlices`

Example value: `100`



Each slice represents a frame in the preview. More slices create a more precise timeline preview.