Awesome Up
Your Boring Theme
WordPress Post Formats

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Is Your WordPress Theme **Boring**?
Another post? Just the same? Again? Anyone? Anyone?
Did Your Theme Take Control of Your Writing?
Post Formats Free You To Write How You Like
WordPress Post Formats

Not Boring
BEST HEADPHONE RECOMMENDATIONS

Ask Matt, Essays TAGS: AUDIO

My friend Jon Callaghan asked me what I recommended in terms of audiophile headphones, so I thought I'd share my answer with the world here under the Ask Matt category. I use three headphones on a regular basis, and they fall pretty nicely into low, mid, a high-end. There's a super-high end I'm not going to cover here, because once you get into the world of headphones requiring amps you might as well just build a good open air system. I've tried probably two dozen headphones ranging from $50 to $1,200.

When I'm walking around on the street with my iPhone, my everyday buds are the step-up Apple In-ear headphones, which come in around $80. They have a sweet triangle carrying case which makes them compact in my bag, and as a bonus the mic/volume remote thing works great with the 3GS, so I seldom take my phone out of my pocket. It's also handy if you get a call, people have told me the voice quality is significantly better than calls I do on the cheapie included iPhone headphones, which always fell out of my ears. They're also easy to share with someone. So that's my everyday pick.
The Selby goes with Pharrell Williams at Home in Miami. Explore the rest of the site, this is actually one of the less-interesting galleries.

Alec Baldwin, my favorite character on 30 Rock, has a great-looking WordPress-powered site. It was also built by Alley Interactive who did the Observer site I blogged about the other day.

Gopher dead, blogging lives. “If blogs are dead, what are we reading in Instapaper?”

I was in Washington DC last week at the OpenGovDC conference where I participated on a panel about design. The organizers and many of the speakers were pretty Drupal-focused, but I did get to meet some folks and learn about the ever-growing use of WordPress inside the Beltway. Here are four:

1. CFPB, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. This is the best-looking of the four, and 100% WordPress.
ALASKA DAY 4

A day of “rest” that ended up being a 8 hour hike in the tussocks (which are really hard to walk through), up to Red Hill, some interesting birds, tracks, bones, skulls, and two moose.

This album contains 52 items.

ALASKA DAY 3

After swimming in the river the previous day, work up to snow in the morning. Playing with ice fragments and a nice hike.

This album contains 99 items.

ALASKA DAY 2

First day of really rafting down the Canning river.

This album contains 58 items.
Taking Shape

Things are starting to take shape around here. I hope you’re liking this theme!

29 DAYS AGO +  SHORT URL  EDIT +

The Beginning of WordPress

If you’ve never read it, check out The Blogging Software Dilemma and see how WordPress got its start all the way back in January of 2003.

29 DAYS AGO +  SHORT URL  EDIT +
Dali exhibit coming to town

January 12, 2011 — 7 Comments

One morning, when Gregor Samsa woke from troubled dreams, he found himself transformed in his bed into a horrible vermin. He lay on his armour-like back, and if he lifted his head a little he could see his brown belly, slightly domed and divided by arches into stiff sections. A collection of textile samples lay spread out on the table — Samsa was a travelling salesman — and above it there hung a picture that he had recently cut out of an illustrated magazine and housed in a nice, gilded frame. It showed a lady fitted out with a fur hat and fur boa who sat upright, raising a heavy fur muff that covered the whole of her lower arm towards the viewer. Gregor then turned to look out the window at the dull weather.

"He must have tried it a hundred times, shut his eyes so that he wouldn't have to look at the floundering legs."

Gregor then turned to look out the window at the dull weather. Drops of rain could be heard. Hitting the pane, which made him feel quite sad. "How about if I sleep a little bit longer and forget all this nonsense", he thought, but that was something he was unable to do because he was used to sleeping on his right, and in his present state couldn't get into that position. However hard he threw himself onto his right, he always rolled back to where he was.

Corsica

January 3, 2011 — 1 Comment

Shot from my trip to Corsica.
End of year lists

September 21, 2010

First a list of things to be happy about:

- Christopher Nolan
- Zooey Deschanel
- Star Wars
- Ridley Scott
- The Beatles
- Bobble Hats. Yes it’s a slightly controversial list with multiple lines per item.

Then a list, in order of priority of all the top 5 films of 2010:

1. Inception
2. Scott Pilgrim vs The World
3. Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows Part 2
4. Toy Story 3
5. Where the Wild things are (OK that was 2009)

Here’s the code to make it happen:

<script src="/js/code.js" />

<script src="/js/anotherbig.js" />
This is a post using the Aside format, meant for small pieces of text without a title.

Comments Off

Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit, sed do eiusmod tempor incididunt ut labore et dolore magna aliqua.

This is a Quote Post

Comments Off

HELLO WORLD!

Welcome to WordPress.com. After you read this, go ahead and delete it.
WordPress is web software you can use to create a beautiful website or blog. We like to say that WordPress is both free and priceless at the same time. — WordPress
Another Status Update – Posting a status update to say your current status is posting a status update for the sake of updating your status is apparently not too meta for words.

A test post

A genius mashup of Saul Bass and Star Wars, created for a school project by Brian Hilmer. The Remastered Deluxe Edition video response adds a little George Lucas "magic".
Matt Mullenweg on KTEH "This is Us!"
Collecting the best of arts & entertainment on the web so you don't have to.

You can scroll the shelf using ← and → keys

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The Delicious: Suspended In Air

Indie intellectu-rock in a waltz time signature from the feverishly smart Bloomington, Indiana rockers, The Delicious.

February 1, 2011 — 1 Comment

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"He must have tried so hard to shut his eyes so that he could look at the flounders."

Gregor then turned to look out the window and he heard the rain could be heard hitting the panes. He wondered about if I sleep a little bit longer and then wake up, but that was something he was unable to do. It was the best he was able to do was to try.
YOUR REGULAR CHAT

A: Hello.
B: Hello.
A: All good?
B: Yep.

(Edit)

COMMENTS OFF

POST FORMAT: LINK

This post is using the . It grabs the first url in your post content.
Adding Post Formats To Your Theme
add_theme_support('post-formats', array('aside', 'gallery', 'image'));
Styling Post Formats
<article <?php post_class(); ?>>
<article class="format-aside">
.format-aside {
    something: awesome;
}

Creating Content Templates
<?php /* Start the Loop */
while ( have_posts() ) : the_post();

get_template_part( 'content' );

endif;
?>
<?php /* Start the Loop */ ?>
<?php while ( have_posts() ) : the_post(); ?>

<?php
    get_template_part('content', get_post_format());
<?php
endwhile; ?>

<?php
<?php

/*
 * The template for displaying posts in the Gallery Post Format on index and archive pages
 * Learn more: http://codex.wordpress.org/Post_Formats
 */

<?php if ( is_search() ) : // Only display Excerpts for search pages? 
    <div class="entry-summary">
        <?php the_excerpt(); ?>
    </div><!-- .entry-summary -->
<?php else : ?>
    <div class="entry-content">
        <?php the_content('Continue reading &raquo;'); ?>
    </div><!-- .entry-content -->
<?php endif; ?>

<?php $images = get_children( array( 'post_parent' => $post->ID, 'post_type' => 'attachment', 'post_mime_type' => 'image', 'order' => 'menu_order', 'order' => 'ASC', 'numberposts' => 999 ) );
if ( $images ) :
    $total_images = count( $images );
    $image = array_shift( $images );
    $image_img_tag = wp_get_attachment_image( $image->ID, 'thumbnail' );
?>

<figure class="gallery-thumb">
...
$images = get_children(
    array( 'post_parent' => $post->ID, 'post_type' => 'attachment', 'post_mime_type' => 'image', 'orderby' => 'menu_order', 'order' => 'ASC', 'numberposts' => 999 )
);
if ( $images ) :
    $image = array_shift( $images );
    $image_img_tag = wp_get_attachment_image( $image->ID, 'thumbnail' );
<figure class="gallery-thumb">
    <?php echo $image_img_tag; ?>
</figure>
More Awesomeness
get_post_format_link(get_post_format());
$args = array(
    'tax_query' => array(
        array(
            'taxonomy' => 'post_format',
            'terms' => array( 'post-format-image' ),
            'field' => 'slug',
            'operator' => 'IN'
        )
    )
);

$recent_image_posts = new WP_Query();
$recent_image_posts->query( $args );
while ( $recent_image_posts-&gt;have_posts() ):
$recent_image_posts-&gt;the_post();
  get_template_part( 'content', 'image' );
endwhile;
Introducing Potty Fisher™. The toilet time fishing game that lets you enjoy some fishing whilst going to the bathroom. Sure it sounds funny, but for the fisherman that just can't get enough of the sport, it's the perfect item!

The Potty Fisher™ comes complete with a water themed mat, a fishing rod, a bowl for the water and a sign included to ensure uninterrupted fishing. There is even a 'do not disturb' sign for any sign that just can't get enough of the sport.

Great Gag Gift For Potty Fishermen!
the_content() is King
Custom Post Types Formats
and that’s it. :)
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Thank you