

# Year in Core:

## a retrospective

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# Who Am I?



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Why a *retrospective*?

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Morgan Estes 2:08 pm on September 21, 2015
Tags: 4.4 ( 20 ), week in core

Week in Core: Sept. 13-21, 2015

Welcome to the Week in Core — Week Four, with super-exciting news from around WordPress-land, and Core changes and updates for Sept. 13–21, 2015 (commits [34093]–[34361]). This week’s core contributors number 106! I’m especially jazzed about the number of new names on the list, and want to thank everyone for your effort this week.

News you can use

The WP REST API team submitted a proposal to merge the plugin into core, with a two-phase integration plan. The merge proposal blog post also does a nice job of presenting the history of the plugin and some use cases.

Do you use my-hacks.php in your site? Don’t. (A quick search through the plugin and theme repos shows only 10 plugins and 3 themes that mention the file.)

Multisite is making some pretty big changes, including the addition of the WP\_Network class. Check out this blog post, which outlines some of the changes and a roadmap for future updates for 4.4.

Interested in the user-focused part of WordPress? Of course you are! Join in the conversation about “Potential UI/UX projects in core.”

Code changes

Welcome to Make WordPress Core!

This is the official blog for the core development team of the WordPress open source project. Follow our progress with weekly meeting agendas, project schedules, and the occasional code debate.

If you’d like to get involved with core, check out our contributor handbook.

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WordPress 4.4

WordPress 4.4 is in development. Features are being developed as plugins first.

The release is targeted for December 2015.

All posts tagged 4.4

2014/9/4 - 2015/9/4

*4 major releases*

*7 minor releases*

This is a *quick* pace.

# WordPress **4.0** “Benny”

## September 4, 2014

Lead by ***Helen Hou-Sandí***.  
**275** contributors.

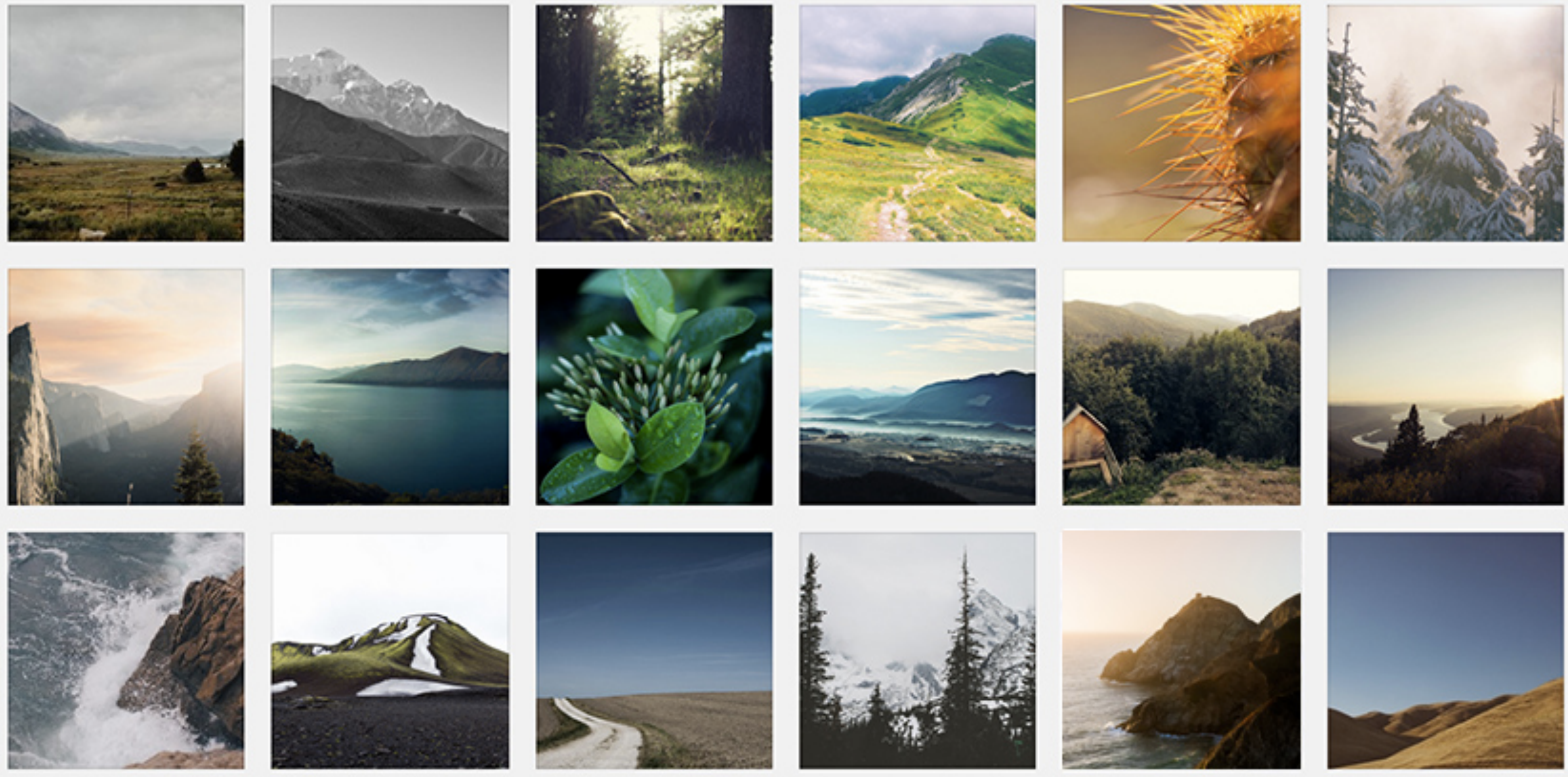


- Dashboard
- Posts
- Media**
- Library
  - Add New
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- Tools
- Settings
- Collapse menu

# Media Library [Add New](#)

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All media items ▾ All dates ▾





WordPress 4.0 admin interface for editing a post titled "Louis Armstrong — Hello Dolly".

**Page Header:** WordPress 4.0 | 0 comments | + New | Preview | Howdy, Helen

**Left Sidebar:** Dashboard, Posts (selected), All Posts, Add New, Categories, Tags, Media, Pages, Comments, Appearance, Plugins, Users, Tools, Settings, Collapse menu

**Main Content Area:**

- Title:** Louis Armstrong — Hello Dolly
- Permalink:** http://build.wordpress-develop.dev/2014/09/louis-armstrong-hello-dolly/ (with Edit and Preview buttons)
- Buttons:** Add Media, Visual (selected), Text
- Rich Text Editor:** Includes formatting tools (Bold, Italic, ABC, Bulleted List, Numbered List, Quote, Undo, Redo, Paragraph, Text, Link, Unlink, Table, Table of Contents) and a large text area.
- Bottom Status:** Word count: 0 | Draft saved at 3:36:00 am. Last edited by Helen on September 3, 2014 at 3:34 am

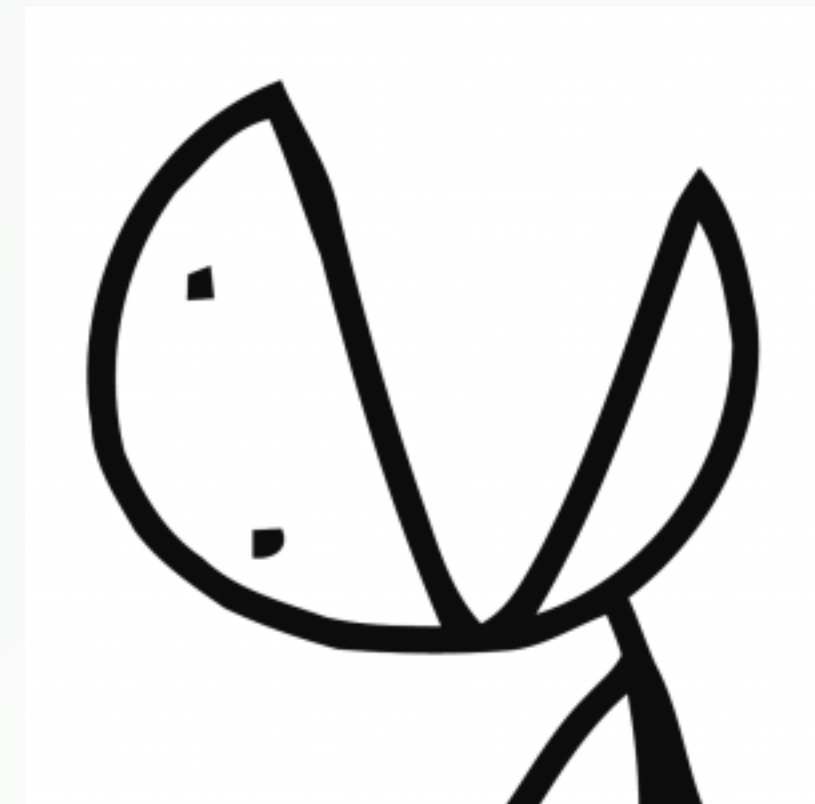
**Right Sidebar:**

- Publish:** Save Draft, Preview, Status: Draft (with Edit), Visibility: Public (with Edit), Publish immediately (with Edit), Move to Trash, Publish
- Format:** Standard, Aside, Image, Video (selected), Audio, Quote, Link, Gallery
- Categories:** All Categories, Most Used

# WordPress **4.1** “Dinah”

## December 18, 2014

Lead by **John Blackbourn**.  
**283** contributors.





## Twenty Fifteen

The WordPress default theme for 2015.

### About Twenty Fifteen

Read me.

### Readability

Twenty Fifteen supports optional menu description.

### Image Alignment and Styles

Check out image alignment style here.

### HTML Elements

Check out styles for some HTML elements.

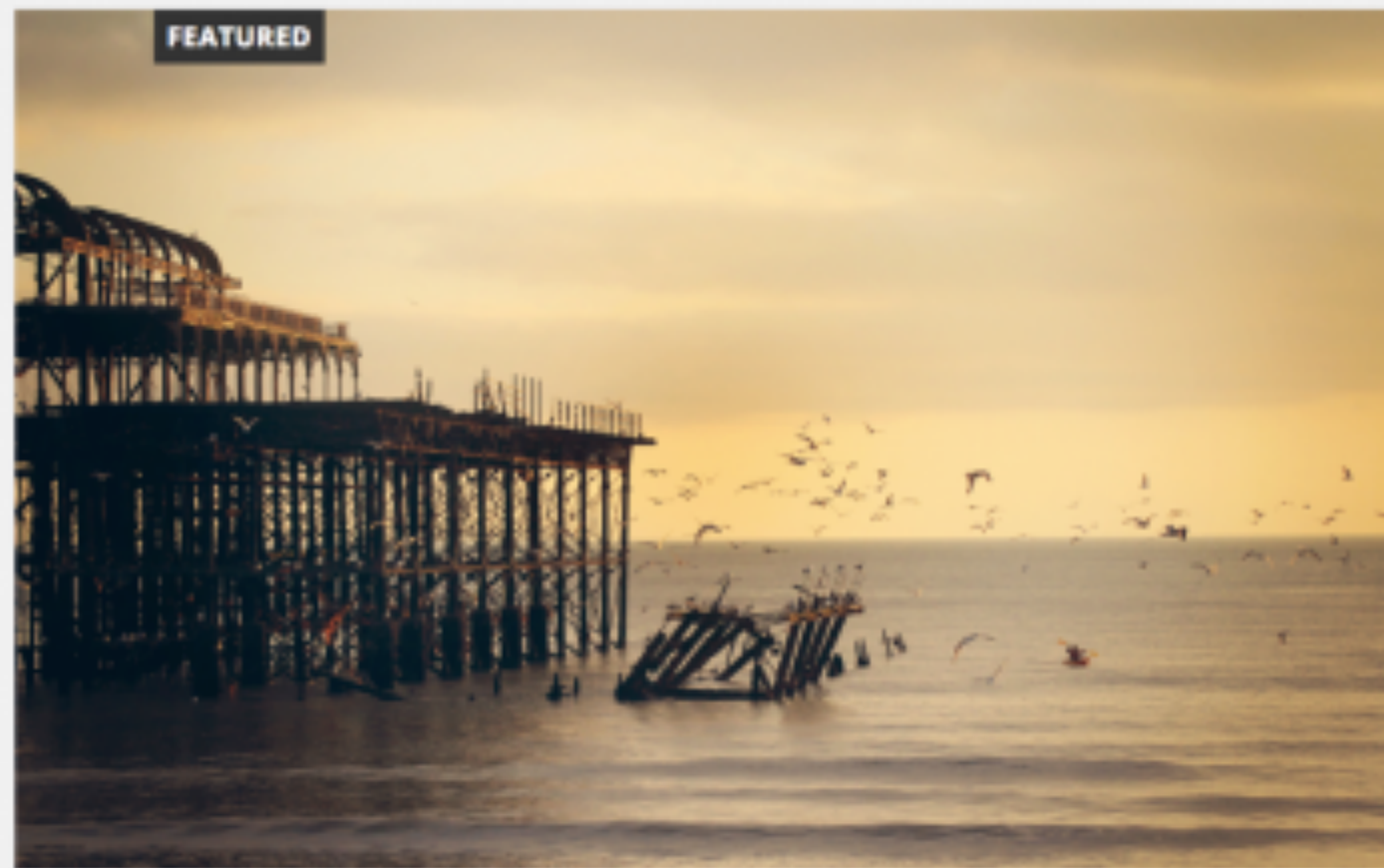
### A Parent Page

This is a dropdown demo.



Search ...

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## Sticky Post with a Featured Image

Our 2015 default theme is clean, blog-focused, and designed for clarity. Twenty Fifteen's simple, straightforward typography is readable on a wide variety of screen sizes, and suitable for multiple languages. We designed it using a mobile-first approach, meaning your content takes center-stage, regardless of whether your visitors arrive by smartphone, tablet, laptop, or desktop computer.



## The Finer Points



### Choose a language

Right now, WordPress 4.1 is already translated into over forty languages, with more always in progress. You can switch to any translation on the General Settings screen.



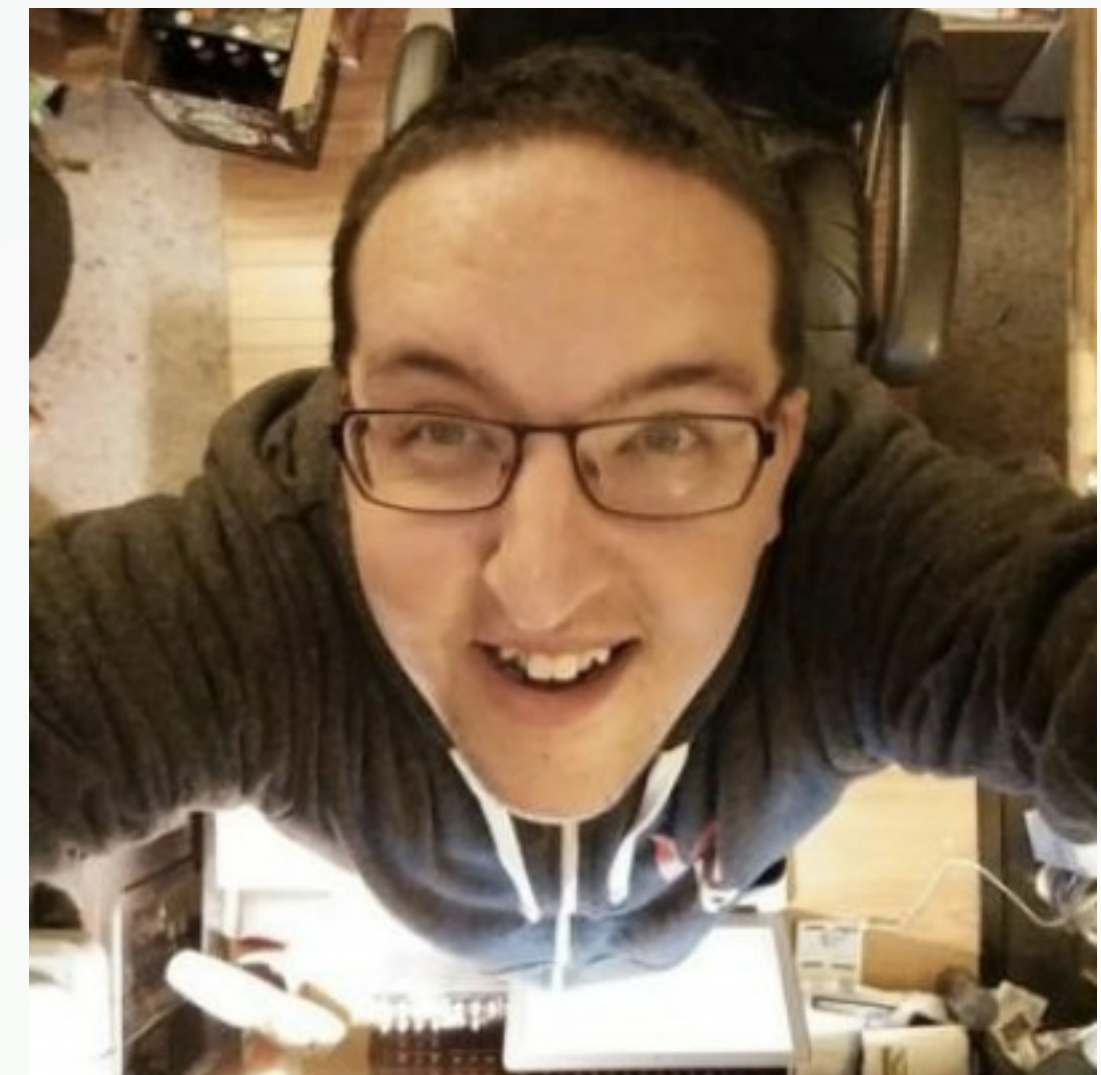
### Log out everywhere

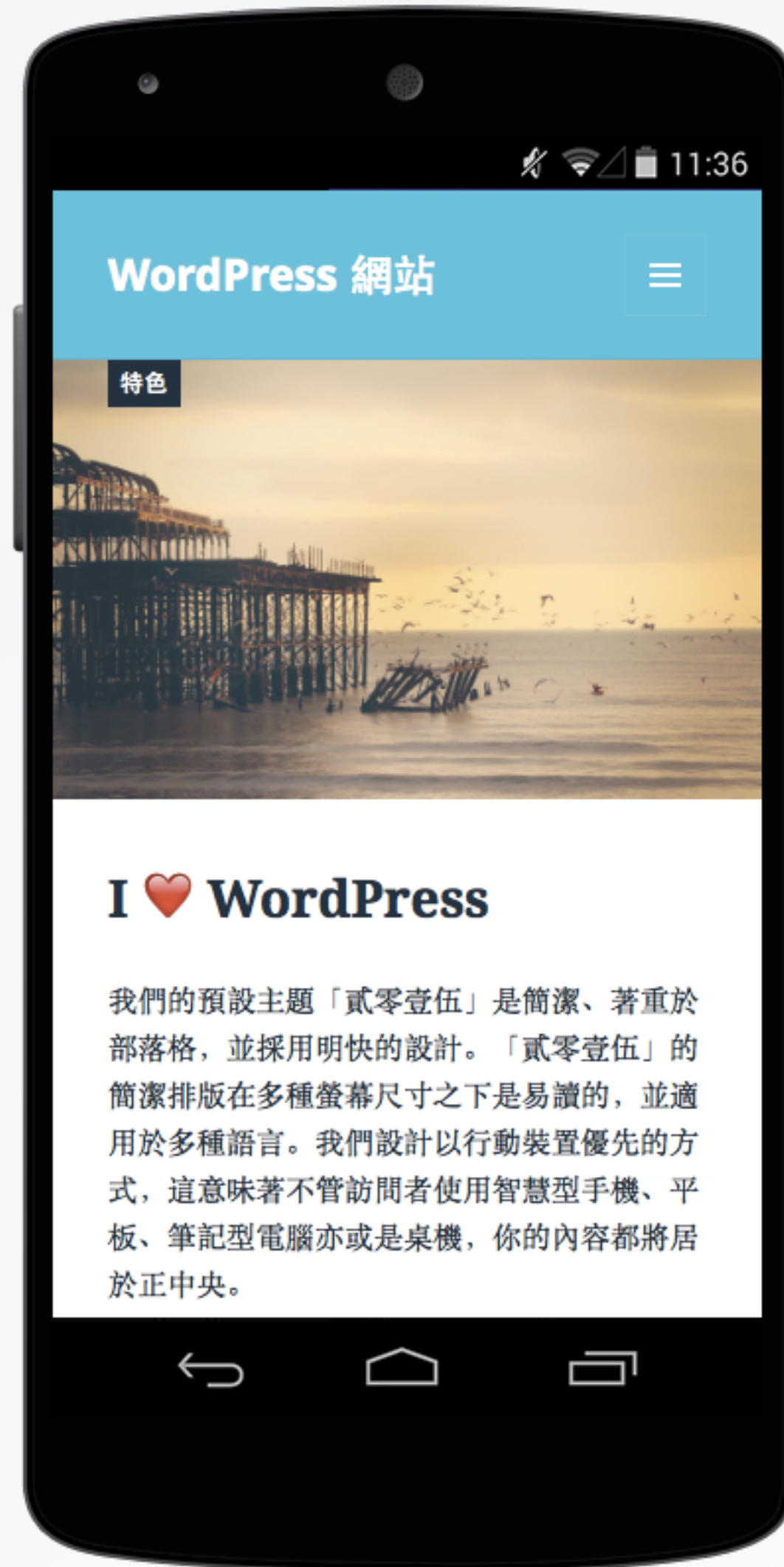
If you've ever worried you forgot to sign out from a shared computer, you can now go to your profile and log out everywhere.

# WordPress **4.2** “Powell”

April 23, 2015

Lead by ***Drew Jaynes***.  
**283** contributors.













Press This!


mywpsite.com/wp-admin/press-this.php?v=8&u=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.ted.com%2Ftalks%2Fdiana\_nyad\_never\_ever\_give\_up&buster=142975084850

WordPress 4.2

# Diana Nyad: Never, ever give up | Talk Video | TED.com



**B** *I*       



DIANA NYAD  
NEVER, EVER GIVE UP

TED

Save Draft Preview **Publish**

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Motivation| Add

Separate tags with commas

✕ TED ✕ Diana Nyad

[Choose from the most used tags](#)



## Switch themes in the Customizer

Browse and preview your installed themes from the Customizer. Make sure the theme looks great with your content, before it debuts on your site.



# WordPress **4.3** “Billie”

August 18, 2015

Lead by ***Konstantin Obenland.***

**246** contributors.



× Save & Publish

← Customizing ▸ Menus  
Primary

**Custom Links** ▼

**Post** ▼

**Page** ▲

Home	Custom Link	×
About	Page	×
Blog	Page	×
Contact	Page	×

Reorder × Add Items

**Menu locations**

**WordF**  
Just another

Home

About

Blog

Contact

Add Media

Visual

Text

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**Paragraph**           


I'm really excited about WordPress 4.3! Here's why: ¶

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
Revisions: 2 [Browse](#)

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### Format

-  Standard
-  Aside
-  Image
-  Video
-  Quote
-  Link
-  Gallery
-  Status
-  Audio
-  Chat



## Preview

As a browser icon



As an app icon



### Website

### Password



Strong

*A password reset link will be sent to the user via email.*

### Role



No more comments on  
new *Pages!*

Okay. Let's take a look  
at the ***FUTURE!***



# WordPress 4.4

## Early December, 2015

Lead by *Scott Taylor*.



From here on out,  
*nothing is confirmed.*

Except this – as of last Wednesday,  
5 weeks and *727 commits*.

# Twenty Sixteen

The WordPress Default Theme for 2016

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## Potato Dumplings Stuffed with Smoked Meat at Renfield Arms

We tried this dish at a newly opened popular pub in Haywards Heath, West Sussex.



Takashi Irie

Food, Pub

meat, potato

2 Comments

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For a moment I was puzzled to account for the thing, until I realized that the reptiles, being deaf, could not have been disturbed by the noise my body made when it hit the water, and that as there is no such thing as time within Pellucidar there was no telling how long I had been beneath the surface. It was a difficult thing to attempt to figure out by earthly standards this matter of elapsed time—but when I set myself to it I began to realize that I might have been submerged a second or a month or not at all. You have no conception of the strange contradictions and impossibilities which arise when all methods of measuring time, as we know them upon earth, are [non-existent](#).

I was about to congratulate myself upon the miracle which had saved me for the moment, when the memory of the hypnotic powers of the Mahars filled me with apprehension lest they be practicing their uncanny art upon me to the end that I merely imagined that I was alone in the temple. At the thought cold sweat broke out upon me from every pore, and as I crawled

### ABOUT

Twenty Sixteen is a modernised approach of an ever-popular layout — a horizontal masthead and an optional right sidebar that works well with both blogs and websites. It has custom color options that allow you to make your own Twenty Sixteen.

The theme was designed on a harmonious fluid grid with a mobile first approach. This means it looks great on any device

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like a better way of referencing posts you want to talk about.

Take this post, for example:


### **The Dreaded Hardcore Gamer Test: Do You Use Default or Inverted Controls?**

Recently, Kayla had an interesting idea to conduct a little FemHype survey with both our writers and friends in the community. Her question: just how many people use default or inverted controls and why? When ... (245 words)

 Femhype

2  

Pretty cool, huh? This is what an embedded post inside of WordPress could look like. If you're interested in making this a reality, [you should check out ticket number 323522 on trac.](#)



# RICG Responsive Images

Bringing automatic default responsive images to WordPress.

[Download Version 2.5.0](#)

# REST API *Step 1.*

Term *Meta!*



# Comment *Overhaul!*

A year ago, there were  
**16** committers.

[http://codex.wordpress.org/Core\\_Team](http://codex.wordpress.org/Core_Team)

Now, there are **24**.

[http://codex.wordpress.org/Core\\_Team](http://codex.wordpress.org/Core_Team)

# What are your most or least favorite changes during the past year?

- [getsource.net/year-in-core](https://getsource.net/year-in-core)
- [make.wordpress.org/core](https://make.wordpress.org/core)

Reviews: <http://wclax.reviews>

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