Studio

WP / MS / BuddyPress Theme

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Today's WordPress themes far outclass those of yesterday. In the increasingly competitive industry of theme design everyone can have a nice looking site. You have to do more to stand out from the crowd. The new Studio theme from WPMU DEV does exactly that.

STUDIO MANUAL

This manual is a rough guide to the various elements and capabilities of the Studio theme. As with any theme you can get more support from the forums should you wish it.

THEME OPTIONS

We are now going to show you using this image the tabs under theme options and what they relate to on the front page.

These are the tabs under appearance > theme options

TABS

SCRIPTS: Section 3, Section 5

SLIDES: Section 5

FEATURE: Section 6

FOOTER FEATURE: Section 7

HEADER: Section 4

BUDDYPRESS: Section 2

BRANDING: Section 9, Section 1

SEO: Header of site
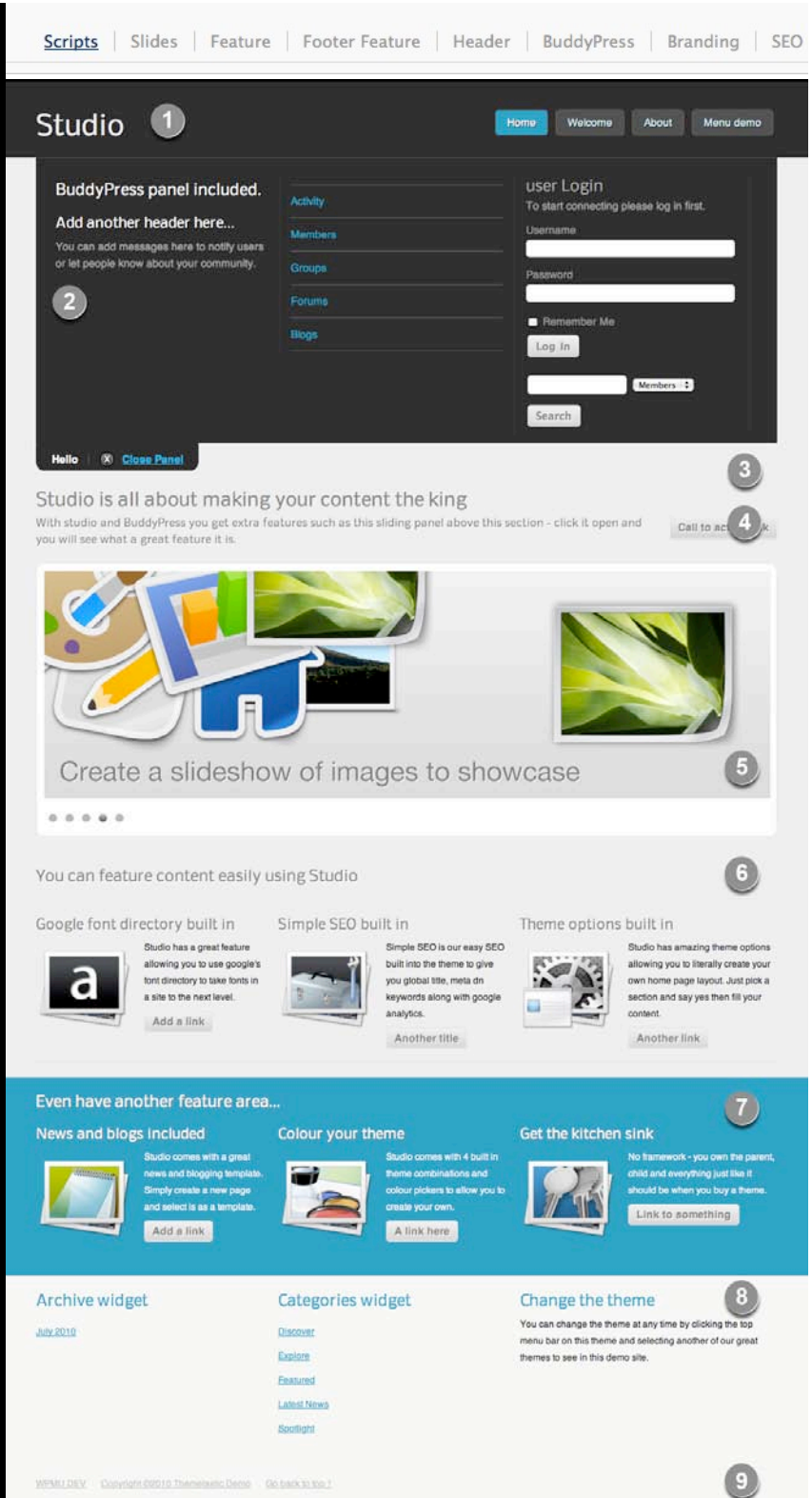
1. How do I turn on the custom header?
- Go to the Scripts tab and turn it on there then under appearance > custom header you can add your own

2. How do I configure the custom sign up section above the footer (section 9)?
- Go to the Branding tab and turn it on there.

3. How do I use Simple SEO?
- Go to the SEO tab and simply configure your title, description and keywords right there.

STUDIO CUSTOMIZATION OPTIONS

Like all our themes with Studio you get the ability to create your own styling by selecting default.css under preset styles and then using the custom style tab. Here is a brief explanation of each bit you can customize.

These are the tabs under appearance > custom style

TABS

Each of these goes in order of the options - some are global

Fonts:
Body Font: 1 *
Header Font: 2 *

Layout Colors:
Feature wrapper: 3
Header background: 4

Text Colors:
Body font: 5 *
Link / hover / visited: 6, 7, 8 *
Header / header shadow: 9, 10
Feature / feature shadow: 11, 12
Site header: 13

Navigation Colors:
14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19

* = global settings occur in more than one place

STUDIO FILE STRUCTURE

*this is a brief general overview only edit these files if you have some CSS / PHP / XHTML knowledge we are not responsible for any edits you may make. Make sure you always keep a clean version of the theme without any editing.

PARENT THEME : BP-DAILY/
/_inc/css : main css files not specific to a style
/_inc/css/adminbar.css (adminbar css), bp-default.css (buddypress styling), layout.css (layout styling), reset.css (reset css classes), typography.css (anything font related not specific to a design)
/library : library is the core where the theme customization occurs this is the heart of the theme
/library/components : This includes all the non WordPress / BuddyPress additional theme parts
- branding-header.php: logos and branding settings - buddypress/buddypress-navigation.php - panel navigation - buddypress/buddypress-panel.php - panel - customheader.php - custom header - feature-content.php - top feature blocks - feature-section.php - footer feature blocks - headers.php - headers - messages.php - messages - navigation.php - navigation - pagination.php - pagination - panel.php - BuddyPress panel - signup-box.php - sign up section - slideshow.php - slideshow - strapline.php - strapline - widget-section.php - widgets
/library/functions : These are the custom functions for the theme. You have BuddyPress specific ones, custom ones and ones for theme options. You should not need to edit any of these.
/library/languages : A default mo and po file are provided
/library/options : Here you have the theme-options.php and other options related files - by options we are referring to where you select default.css and then pick colors and fonts. You should not need to edit any of these
/library/scripts : Here you have any non BuddyPress javascript. You should not need to edit any of these
/library/sidebars : Here you have any sidebars that are called see this manual for details on what sidebars relate to what widgets. Also at the theme root is sidebar.php that is the default sidebar used by BuddyPress.
/library/styles : This is how you get the different designs for the site. Each is named as per the design itself and has it's own images. You can then customize these images if you wish also
There are a few other files that should be singled out that you may wish to edit:
home.php : This is your home / front page and calls various files in library/components. We advise you edit those each time rather than home.php for ease of management
template-blognews.php: This is your blog or news template you allocate this as a page template under your page creation or editing. As with all blog pages it calls either the BuddyPress or WordPress single post loop from library/components.

STUDIO FILE STRUCTURE

header.php: This is your site global header
footer.php: The global site footer

STUDIO FAQ

HOW DO YOU SELECT WHAT FRONT PAGE TO SHOW?

Studio by default shows the home page template but you can under settings > reading decide if you want to have the activity stream on the front instead.

You can even using our wide variety of page templates set one of those by creating a page and then selecting the template. You can do this to also create a blog or news page.

HOW DO YOU CREATE YOUR OWN THEME STYLE?

Want to make your own theme?

1. Under preset styles select default.css
2. Go to Custom styling under the Appearance tab to the left.

WHAT WIDGET AREAS ARE THERE

Studio comes with a large selection of sidebars you can add widgets to here is a quick guide. (all sidebars are found under library/sidebars/ apart from the default BuddyPress one)

1. 404 - 404 page
2. Archive - archive
3. Blog - blog page
4. Page - page
5. Search - search
6. Single - single post
7. Widget one - footer
8. Widget two - footer
9. Widget three - footer

HOW DO I CHANGE THE MESSAGES THAT APPEAR ON PAGES LIKE ARCHIVES AND SEARCH PAGES?

Studio has a range of files under library/components and one of these is messages.php this is what you edit to change messages. Under the same directory headers.php is what you change for headers.

WHAT IS A PARENT AND CHILD THEME FOR BUDDYPRESS?

We also provide child themes with all of our BuddyPress themes which enable you to customize your own files without having those changes overwritten when we update a theme. To find out more about parent and children themes please visit http://premium.wpmudev.org/the-buddypress-manual/what-are-parent-and-child-themes/.

If you are using a child theme you need not activate the parent just activate the child theme. Remember to check each new version of the theme for any changes in your child theme that may have been done in the parent. Also when you update a theme just do not update the child only update the parent and all your changes will be kept.

STUDIO INSTALLATION

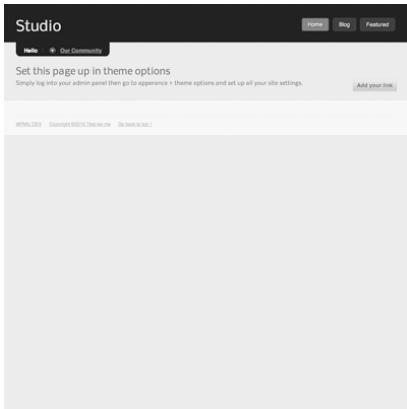| INSTALLING THE THEME |
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| 1. Unzip the downloaded zip file
2. You should see several files and folders depending on your theme package
3. Upload the entire studio/ folder to wp-content/themes/
4. Login to your dashboard >> Appearance and activate the theme - if you using WPMU, you need to go to site admin and activate the theme before it shows in Appearance
5. Your theme should be now be activated and ready for use

*Make sure your install path is themes/ not themes/themes/thethemename/

For this theme under wp-content/themes/ you should have:
studio/
studio-child/ |

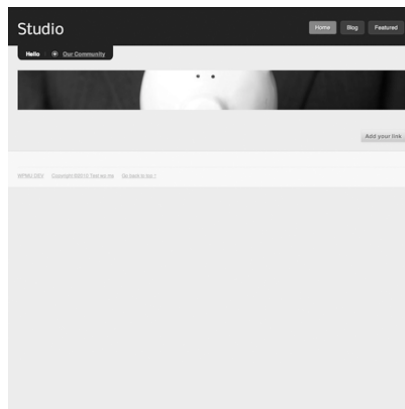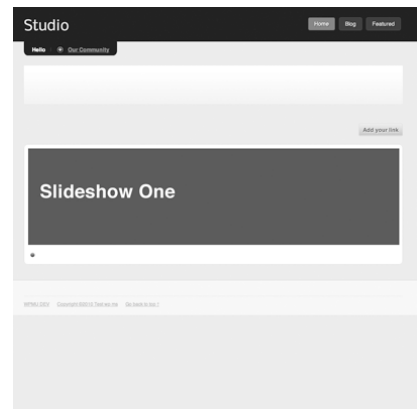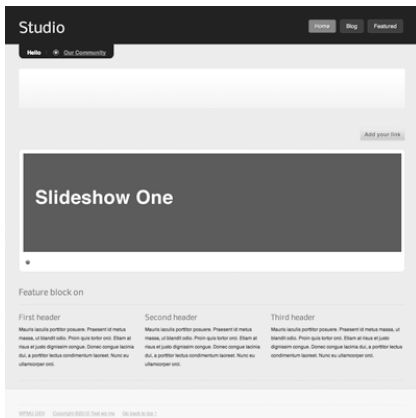| HOW DO I ADD A FAVICON? |
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| Studio is already set to link to a favicon all you have to do is put one in either your parent or child theme under the stylesheet directory and it must be called favicon.ico - if you are using a child remember the favicon should be under your child theme style directory.

Should you wish to remove the call to the favicon automatically just edit header.php and remove the following line 54:

`<link rel="icon" href="<?php bloginfo('stylesheet_directory');?>/favicon.ico" type="images/x-icon" />` |

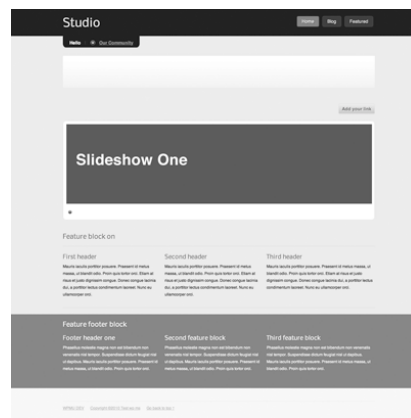# FRONT PAGE FORMATS

DEFAULT LAYOUT
No settings on.

WITH CUSTOM HEADER AND HEADERS
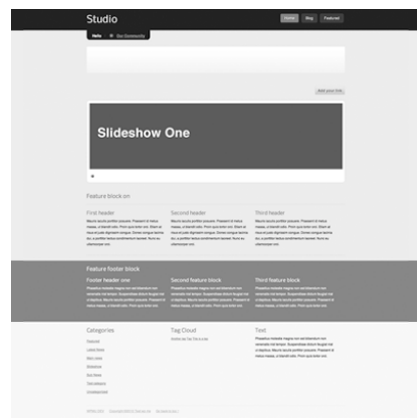Scripts > Custom header on and global header on.

SLIDESHOW AND HEADERS
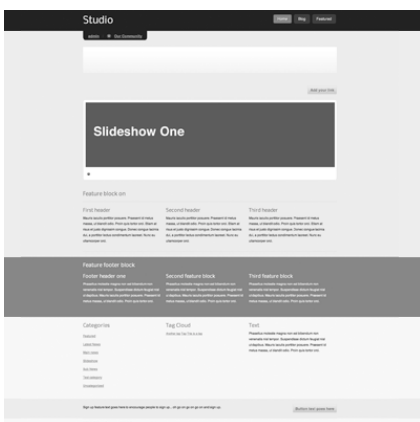Custom header, global header and slideshow on.

HEADERS, SLIDESHOW AND FEATURE BLOCKS
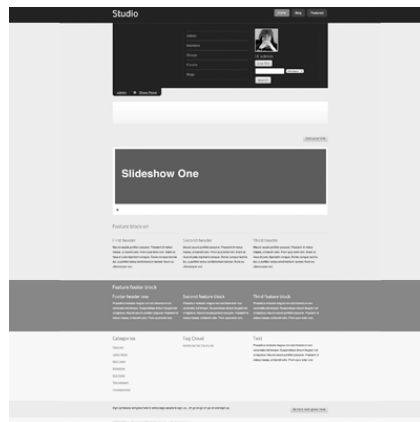Custom header, header, feature blocks and slideshow on.

HEADERS, SLIDESHOW AND BOTH BLOCKS
Custom header, header, feature blocks, footer blocks and slideshow on.

ALL CONTENT ON AND WIDGETS
Every content option on and also the 3 footer widget areas filled.

SIGN UP AND ALL ON
Every option ON and also sign up section turned on (branding > sign up).

PANEL OUT ALL ON
Panel out to show and all turned on.

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SUPPORT
Support for this theme is provided at http://premium.wpmudev.org/forums/. A valid WPMU DEV Premium membership is required.

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