STYLEMIX themes

Splash Theme Documentation

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1. Getting Started

To install this theme you must have a working version of WordPress already installed. For information regarding the installing of the WordPress platform, please see the WordPress Codex - http://codex.wordpress.org/Installing_WordPress

1.1. Installation

When you are ready to install a theme, you must first upload the theme files and then activate the theme itself. The theme files can be uploaded in two ways:

• **FTP Upload:** Using your FTP client, upload the non-zipped theme folder into the **/wp-content/themes/** folder on your server.

• **WordPress Upload:** Navigate to **Appearance -> Themes -> Add New -> Upload**. Go to browse, and select the zipped theme folder. Hit “Install Now” and the theme will be uploaded and installed.

Once the theme is uploaded, you need to activate it. Go to **Appearance -> Themes** and activate your chosen theme.

After that you need to install and activate the pre-installed plugins:

1. WPBakery Visual Composer
2. SportsPress
3. Woocommerce
4. STM Configurations
5. Revolution Slider
6. Breadcrumb NavXT
7. Contact Form 7
8. STM Importer
9. Instagram Feed
10. MailChimp for WordPress Lite

We provide extra plugins with **EXTENDED** licenses and include latest updates to every version of themes, so they don't need to be activated. You can update these plugins via upgrading the theme.

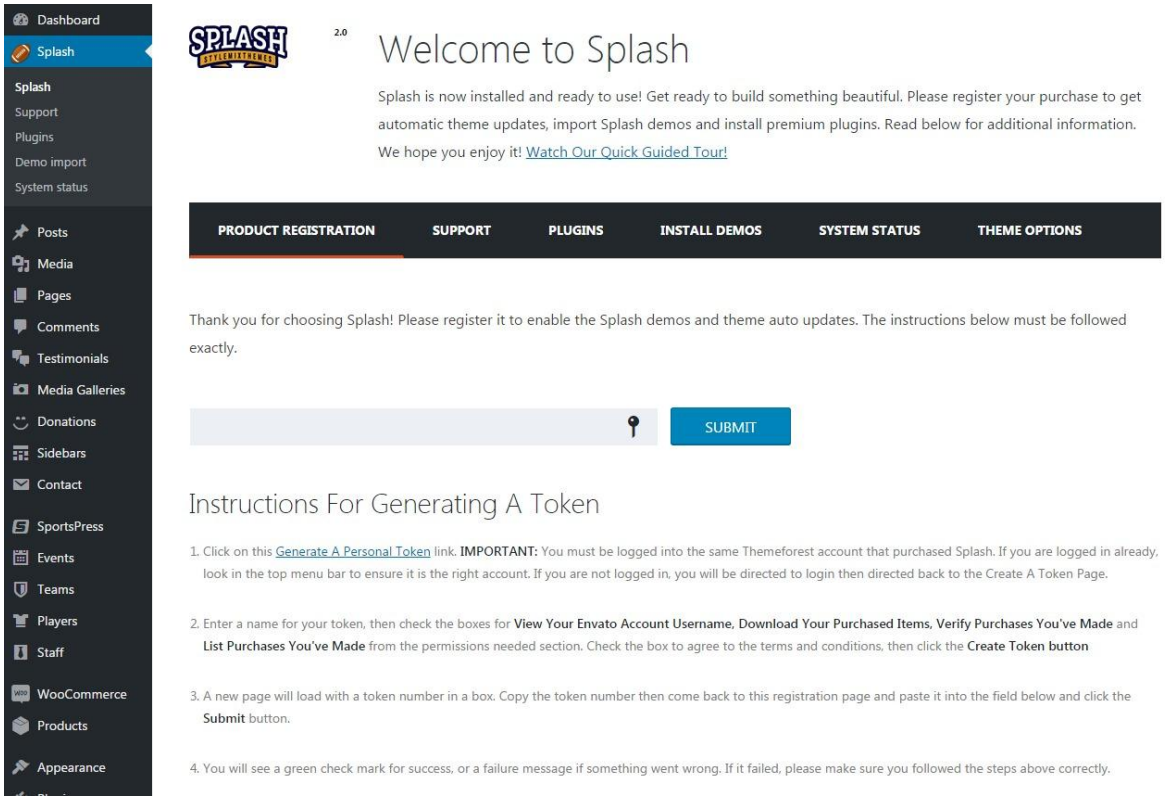
Here you can see video tutorial of the theme installation:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GLhIZhMXANo

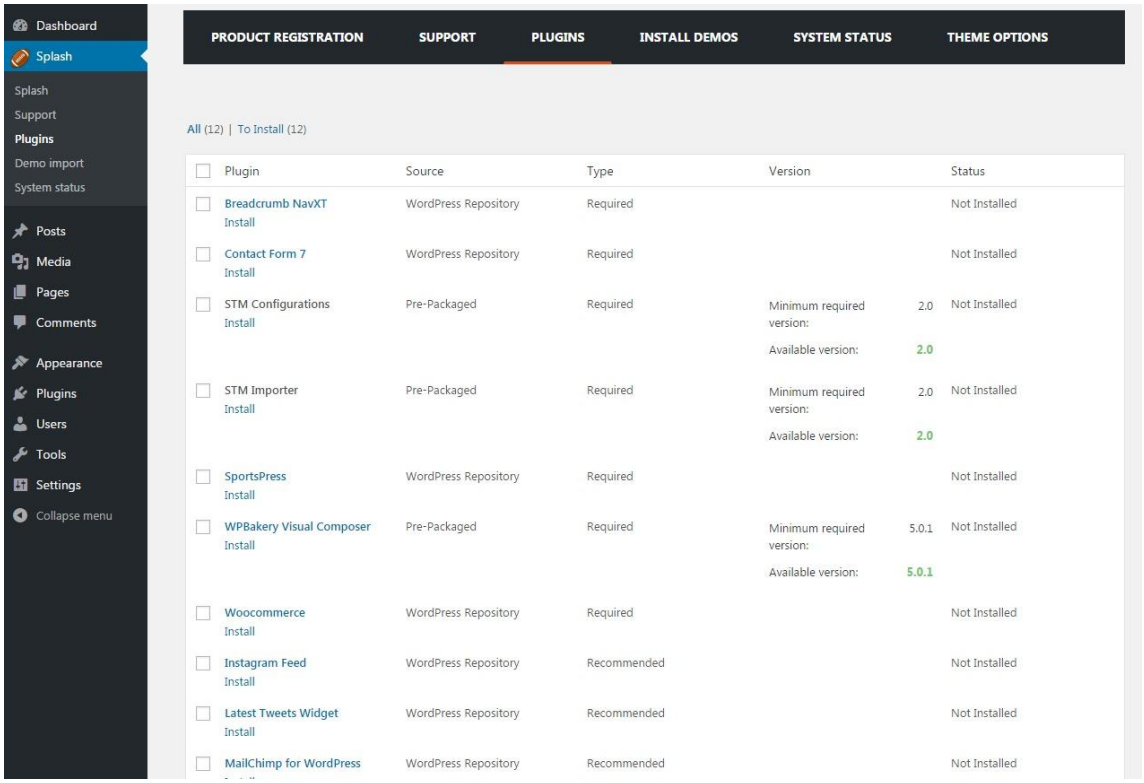
1.2. Activate the theme and Import the demo content

After completing installation of the theme, you need to activate your product under **Splash -> Product** registration following these instructions:

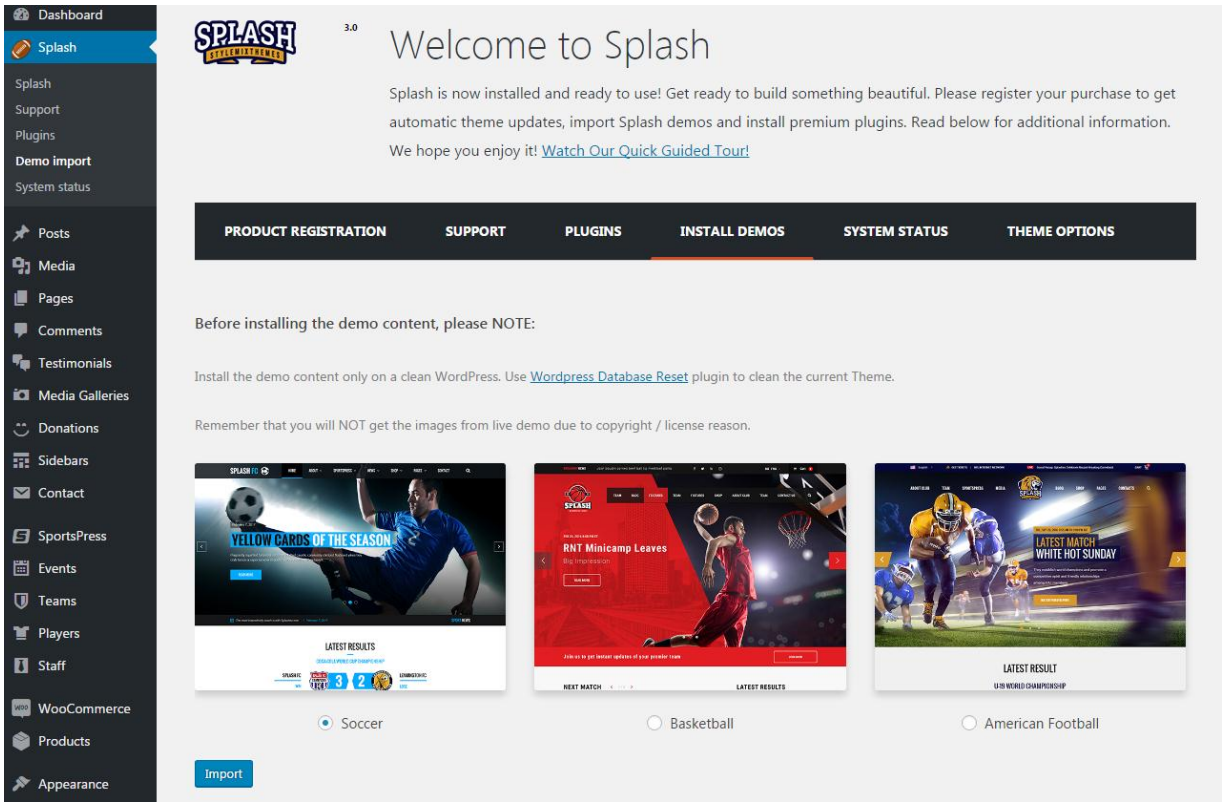
1. Click on this Generate A Personal Token link. **IMPORTANT**: You must be logged into the same Themeforest account that purchased Splash. If you are logged in already, look in the top menu bar to ensure it is the right account. If you are not logged in, you will be directed to login then directed back to the Create A Token Page.
2. Enter a name for your token, then check the boxes for **View Your Envato Account Username, Download Your Purchased Items, Verify Purchases You've Made** and **List Purchases You've Made** from the permissions needed section. Check the box to agree to the terms and conditions, then click the **Create Token button.**
3. A new page will load with a token number in a box. Copy the token number then come back to this registration page and paste it into the field below and click the **Submit** button.
4. You will see a green check mark for success, or a failure message if something went wrong. If it failed, please make sure you followed the steps above correctly.



Then you can install included plugins under **Splash -> Plugins** (if you have not installed them):



After this you can choose and install the demo content under **Splash -> Demo Import**:



Please note: Most of images replaced with a placeholder image because of licensing. Also demo content doesn't include WP options and widgets, so you need to create them manually via **Appearance -> Widgets**.

What if the Import fails or stalls?

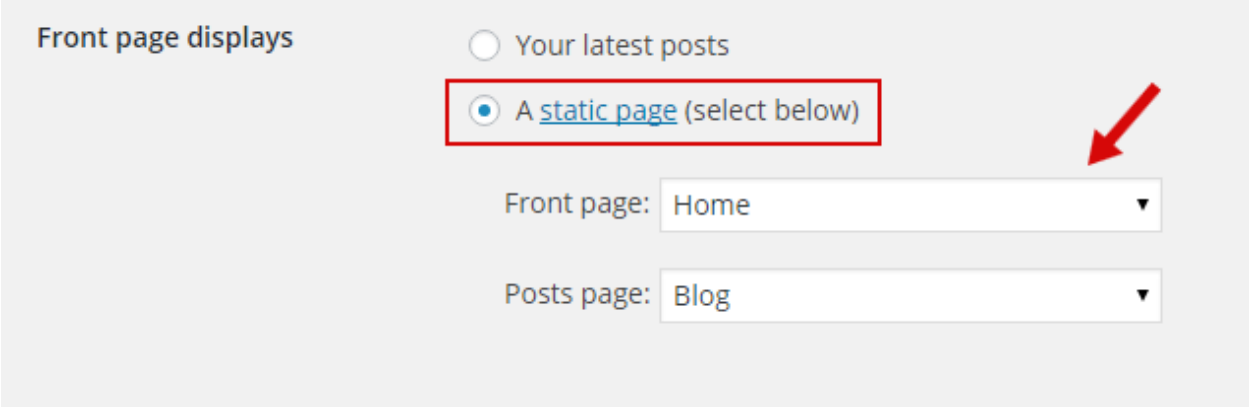
If the import stalls and fails to respond after a few minutes You are suffering from PHP configuration limits that are set too low to complete the process. You should contact your hosting provider and ask them to increase those limits to a minimum as follows:

- max_execution_time 600
- memory_limit 128M
- post_max_size 32M
- upload_max_filesize 32M

You can verify your PHP configuration limits by installing a simple plugin found here: http://wordpress.org/extend/plugins/wordpress-php-info. And you can also check your PHP error logs to see the exact error being returned.

1.3. Setting up the Homepage

To set up the homepage you must create a new page, you can do so by navigating to Pages > Add New. The title for this page can be up to your liking. Under **Settings -> Reading** please setup the new Homepage.



Actually you can set any page to be your homepage. Once it's created you can compose your homepage layout. The design layout is created under Bootstrap framework which is split into 12 columns grid. Each widget has its own maximum and minimum widths, so depending on that you can work out the layout for each page.

As you can see the homepage just like any the page is now 100% constructible out of the modules we have in Visual Composer. The homepage can be created by any element in Visual Composer.

To view the short manual on how to use the Visual Composer, please follow this link:

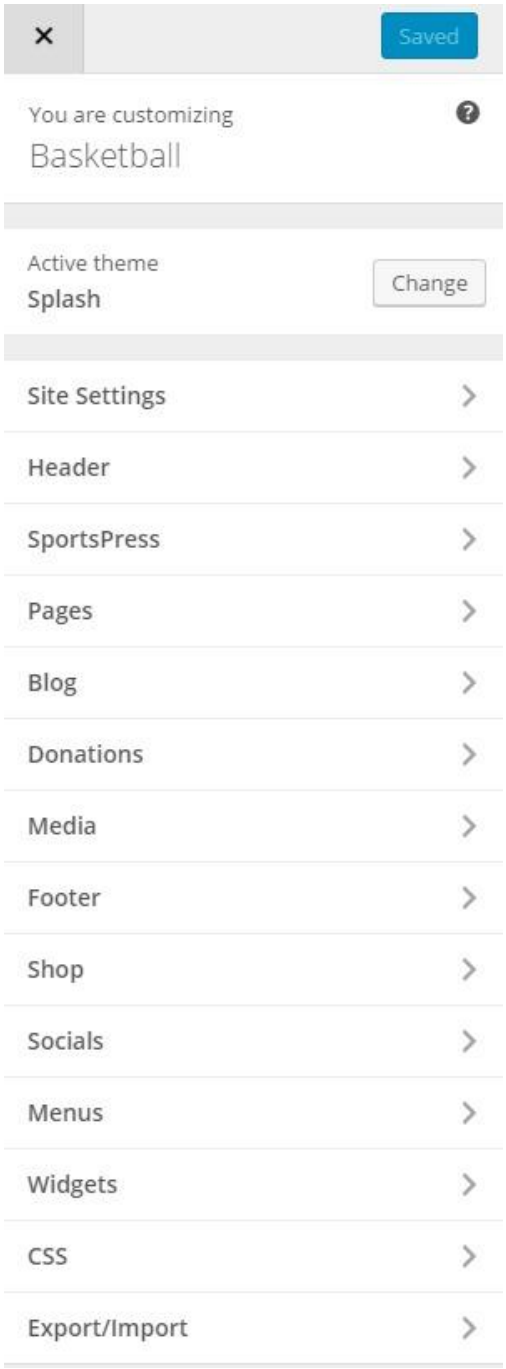
http://codecanyon.net/item/visual-composer-page-builder-for-wordpress/full_screen_preview/242431

The detailed documentation of Visual Composer can be found here also - http://vc.wpbakery.com/video-tutorials/ .

2. Theme Features

2.1. Theme Customization

WordPress Customize allows you to setup the general styling of the website visually. In WordPress menu go to **Appearance > Customize**. Here you can setup most important options of your theme.



Site Settings:

- **Static Front Page:** You can select default **Front** and **Blog** pages here.

- **Logo & Title:** You can setup basic site options like: Site title, Tagline, Logo & its dimensions and Favicon.
- **Typography:** Set up the fonts out of free google fonts. Besides this you can setup font weight, font size and line height also.
- **Style:** There are Color Skins and default Layout options. Here you can select one of 7 basic color schemas or set your custom colors, enable/disable Boxed version and show/hide Frontend Customizer.

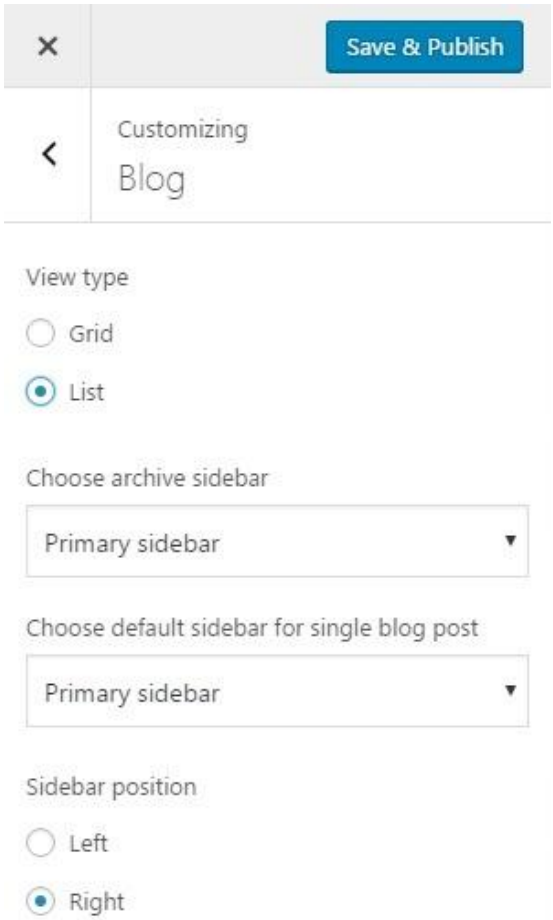
Header: Here you can setup all header section options.

Footer:

- **Main Settings:** You can set up Footer Call to Action section settings here
- **Footer bottom:** Here you can select displayable social icons, the copyright text and split the footer into widgets.

Widgets: You can set up the widgets into the pre-created areas.

Blog: You can setup/change Title, Sidebars and Sidebar positions for post types



Socials: You can add your company social URLs here.

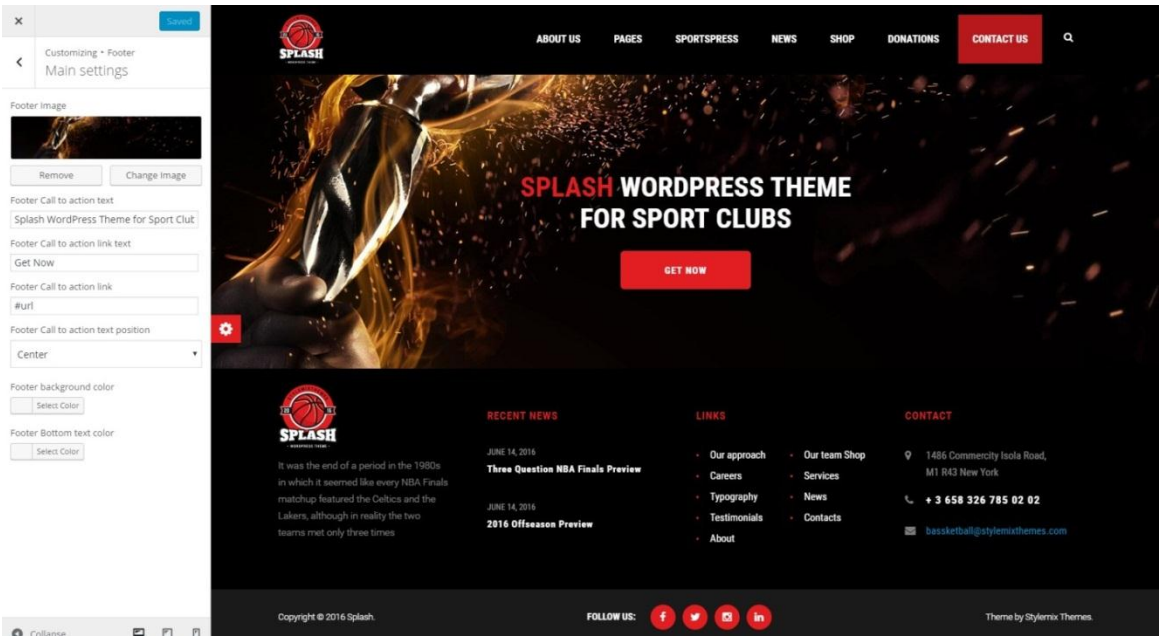
Menus: You can add/edit menus here.

Custom CSS: Here you can add your custom styles.

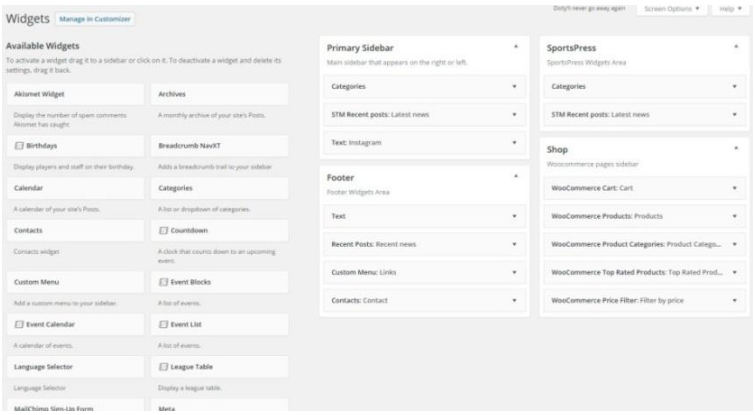
Also you can setup **Custom Post Type Renaming Settings** under **Tools -> STM Post Type**. After these changes it needs to RE-SAVE your site **Permalinks**.

2.2. Footer area setup

The footer is the same on all pages. You can see whole options via **Appearance -> Customize -> Footer**.



Also you can set other areas up on the Widgets page (**Appearance > Widgets**) and choose from the suggested widgets. Please see the screenshot.



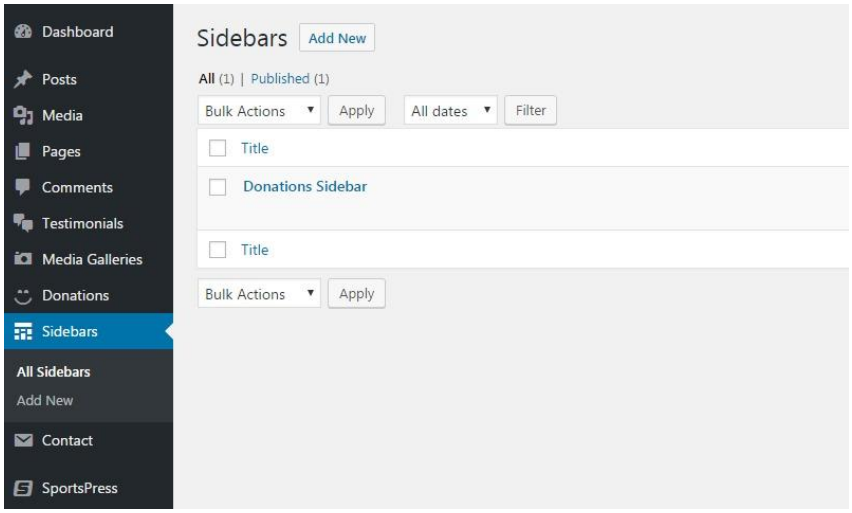
PS: Please note the Demo Content doesn't contain these widgets. So they need to be added manually.

2.3. How to set up the sidebar

In this theme we paid special attention to Sidebars for your biggest convenience and on multiple previous requests.

We have two types of sidebar: right sidebar and left sidebar, which can be selected for both of archive and single posts/pages.

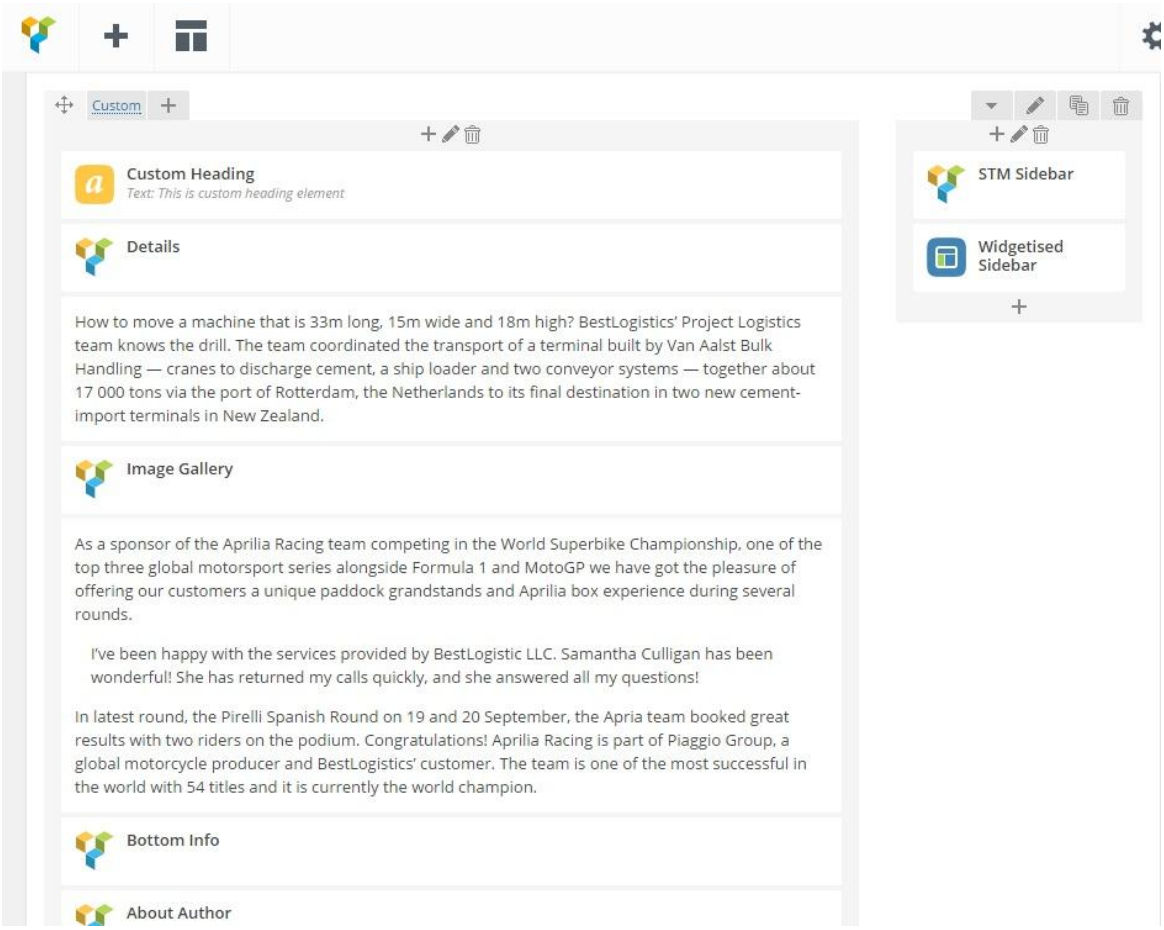
In addition to that, you can add/create a new sidebar with VC Widgets/Elements, in this case you will need to go here:



Edit or create a new sidebar, and add any sections you need by means of Visual Composer

For archive pages you can set sidebar options up via **Appearance -> Customize -> Layout**.

For single pages/posts you can add sidebar via **Widgetised Sidebar** or **STM Sidebar** VC element


Custom
Custom Heading
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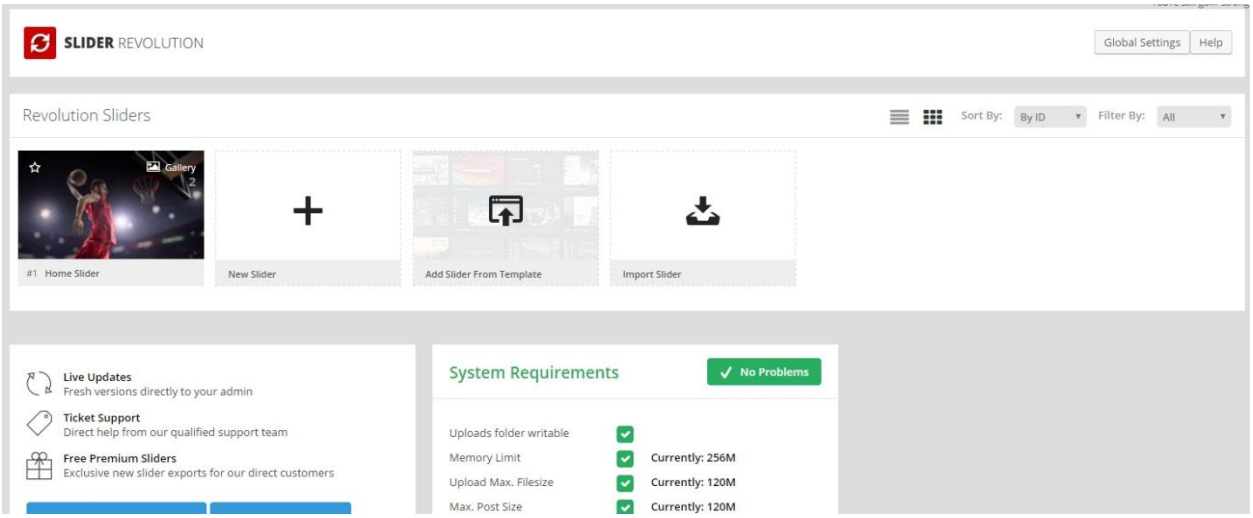
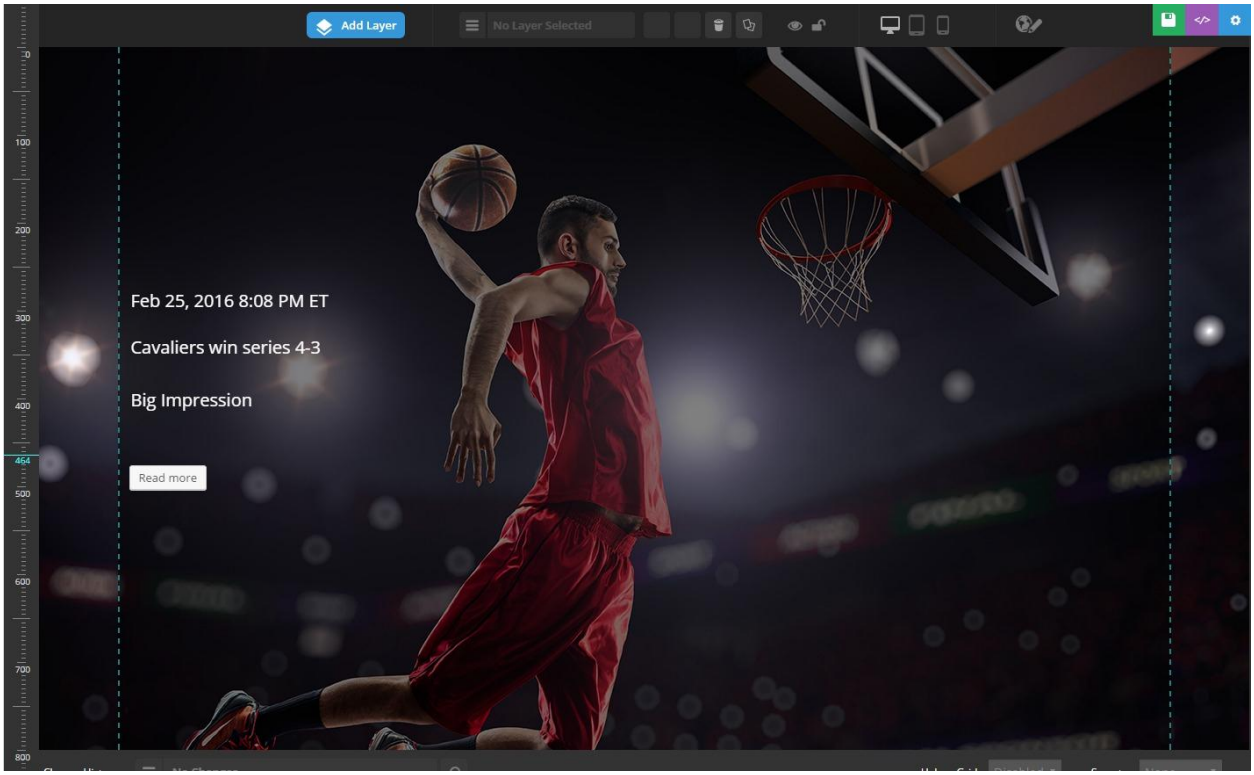
Details
How to move a machine that is 33m long, 15m wide and 18m high? BestLogistics' Project Logistics team knows the drill. The team coordinated the transport of a terminal built by Van Aalst Bulk Handling — cranes to discharge cement, a ship loader and two conveyor systems — together about 17 000 tons via the port of Rotterdam, the Netherlands to its final destination in two new cement-import terminals in New Zealand.
Image Gallery
As a sponsor of the Aprilia Racing team competing in the World Superbike Championship, one of the top three global motorsport series alongside Formula 1 and MotoGP we have got the pleasure of offering our customers a unique paddock grandstands and Aprilia box experience during several rounds.
I've been happy with the services provided by BestLogistic LLC. Samantha Culligan has been wonderful! She has returned my calls quickly, and she answered all my questions!
In latest round, the Pirelli Spanish Round on 19 and 20 September, the Apria team booked great results with two riders on the podium. Congratulations! Aprilia Racing is part of Piaggio Group, a global motorcycle producer and BestLogistics' customer. The team is one of the most successful in the world with 54 titles and it is currently the world champion.
Bottom Info
About Author
STM Sidebar
Widgetised Sidebar

2.4. Adding Images to Revolution slider

You will need to upload various images to the Layer slider. You can add items from Revolution Slider plugin in the WordPress backend. When you go there first you need to create the new Slider, and add new slides.



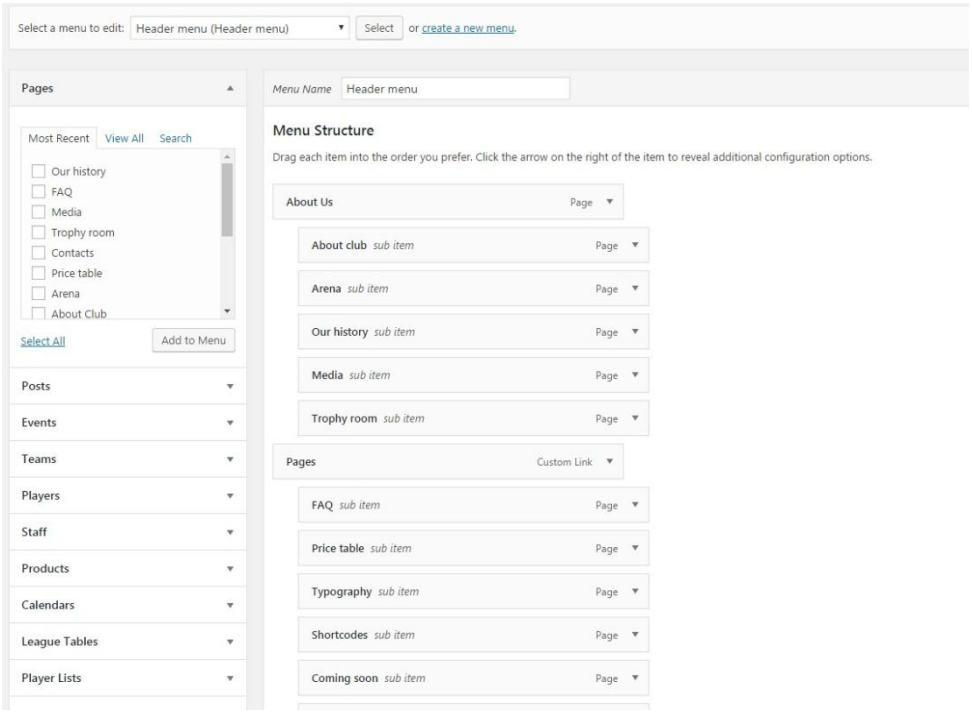


More detailed manual you can find here - http://www.themepunch.com/revslider-doc/slider-revolution-documentation/ .

2.5. Menus

There are two navigations on the site – Header menu and Footer menu, so you can adjust them under **Appearance - > Menus**

This is a standard Wordpress functionality, you can choose from the pages, post categories, or custom links.



2.6. Localization

You can change your site main language via **Settings -> General -> Site Language**.

It's easy to localize your site using Loco Translate plugin. Here you can see related tutorial - https://localise.biz/help/wordpress/translate-plugin/beginners.

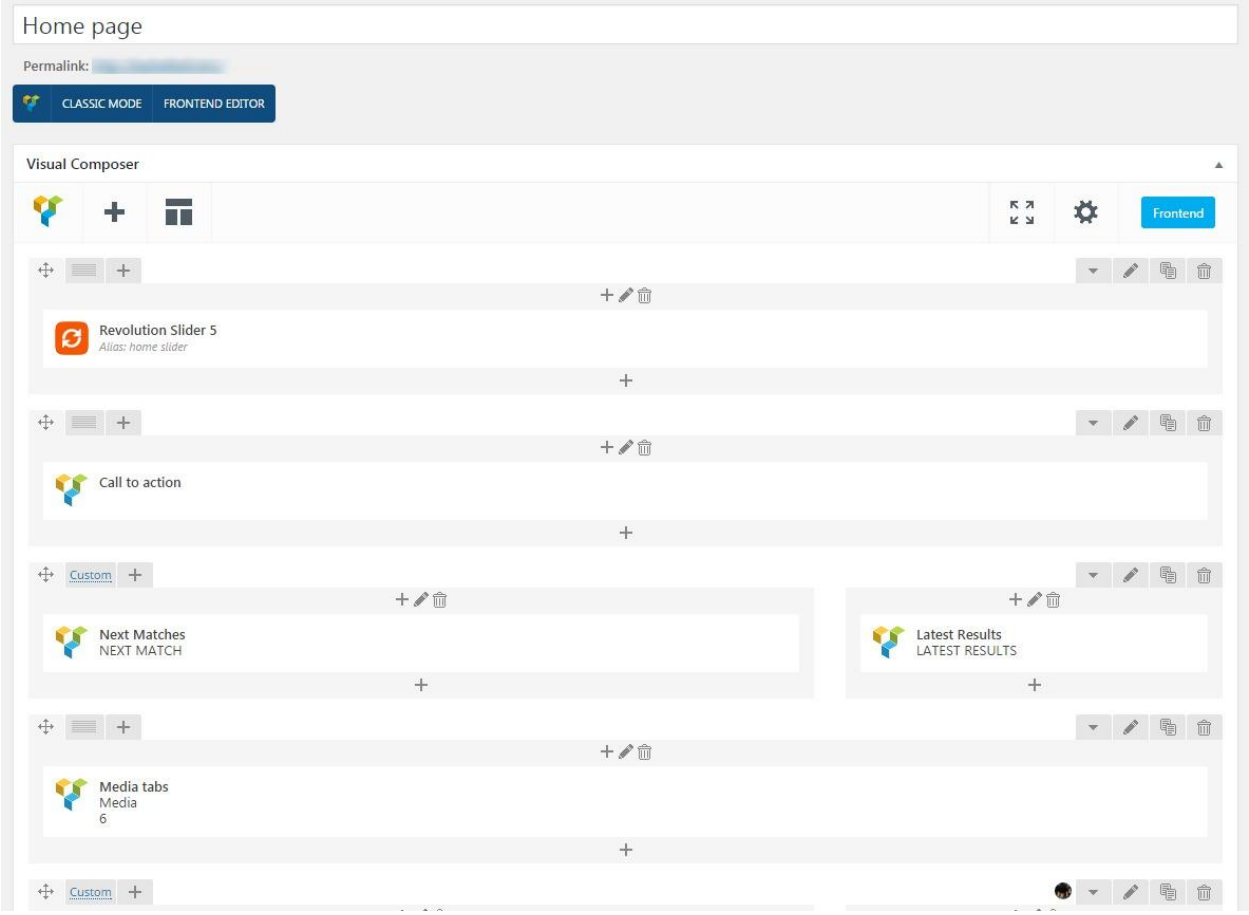
Another way is to add your translations via creating your own .po files. Before adding translations for static strings it needs to rename language files correctly according your site languages. Theme language files are located in a **../wp-content/theme-folder/languages/** folder. You can find a list of language codes at WordPress in your Language. As an example, the language code for English is **en_EN**, so you would save the translated files as en_EN.po first, then en_EN.mo.

There are several ways to fill up translations. One of them if using PoEdit platform. You can add translation via editing your **.po** file and at the end **PoEdit** generates **.mo** file for you. Then you needs to upload ready translation files to primordial folder (../wp-content/theme-folder/languages/).

3. Content

3.1. Setting up Content Pages and Posts

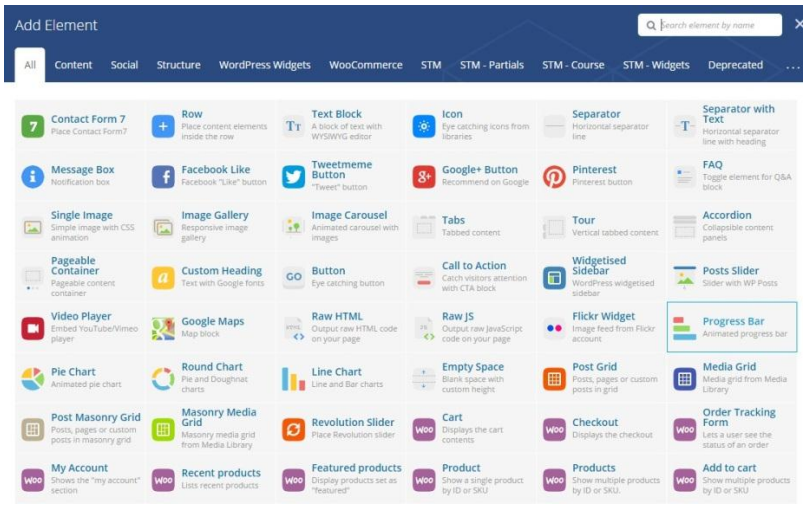
All pages can be created as simple content pages or built by means of Visual Composer page builder. You will need to first set up the page and then add and set up content blocks. Just add a row and add the modules to row from the Visual Composer dashboard.



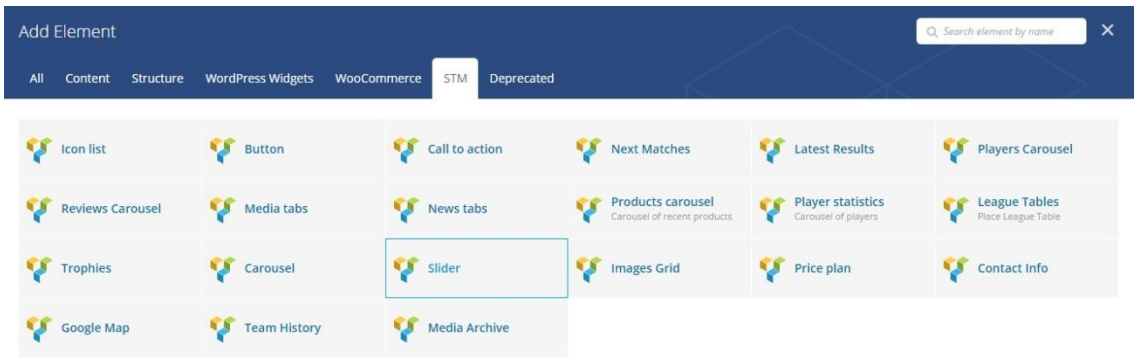
Now you can choose how to compose your template. Add Content modules, Testimonials, etc. You have everything to realize your imagination.

We have also included extension packages for Visual Composer. You can use them free. Just pick the module you like and add it to the row. Then you can edit it.

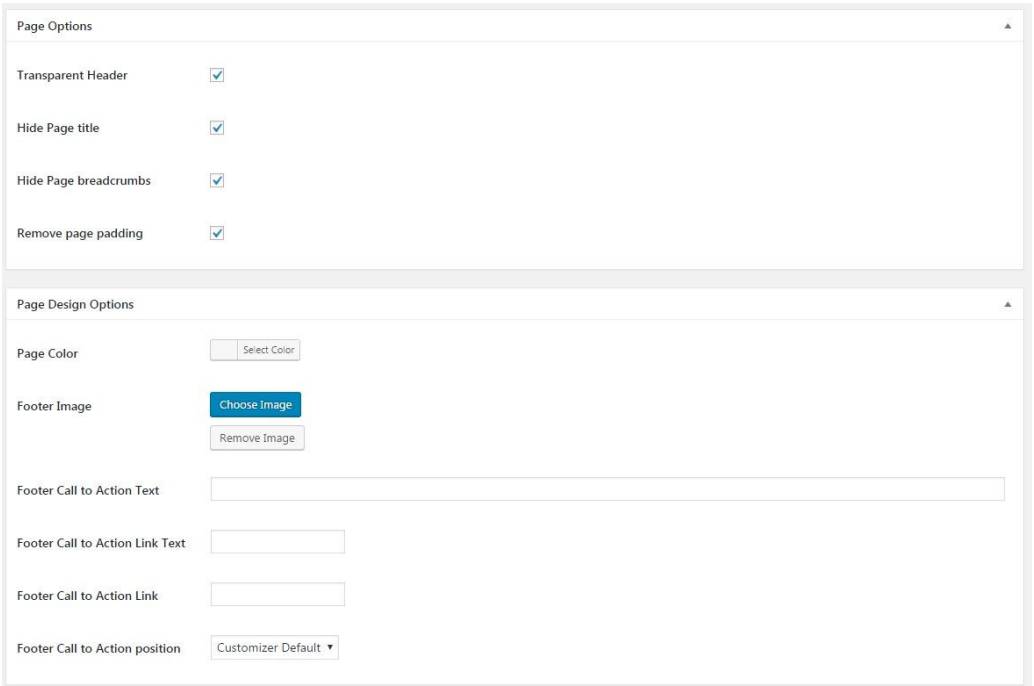
You can also edit the row background, add video or parallax images to the background. Just click on Row edit icon and you will see the options & features, which are available for this row.



Custom added shortcodes in our theme are on a separate tab:

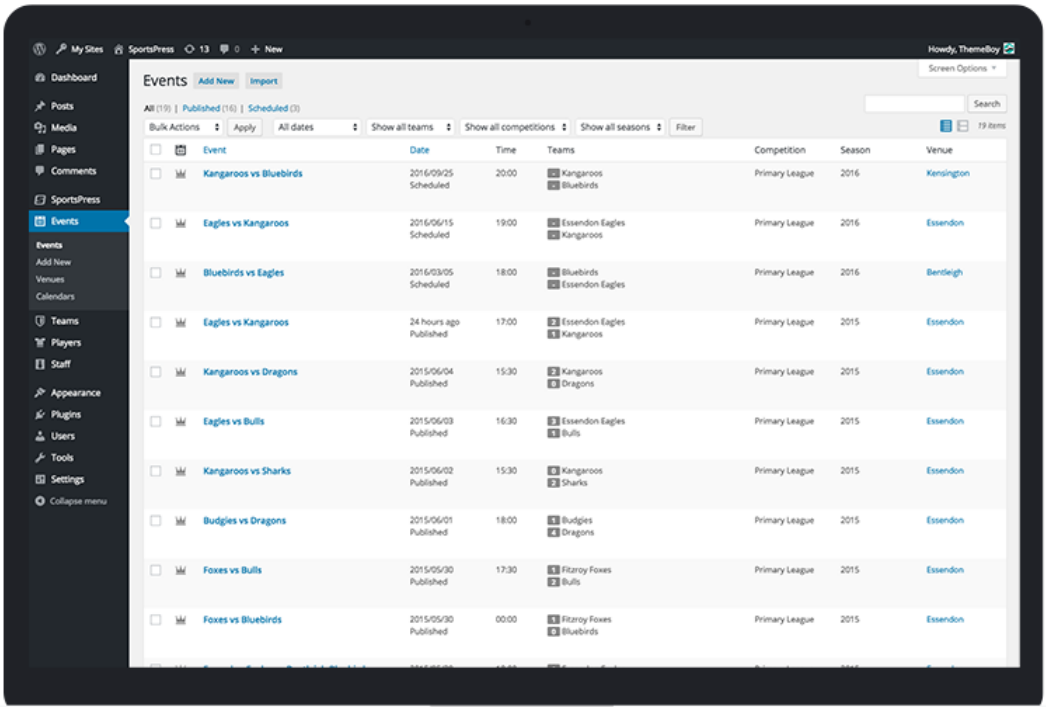


Besides this, each page contains these options which include header color or background image, title fonts and colors, breadcrumbs and button settings:



3.2. SportsPress Features

There is a SportsPress plugin for Events, Matches, Team and Players - https://www.themeboy.com/sportspress/:

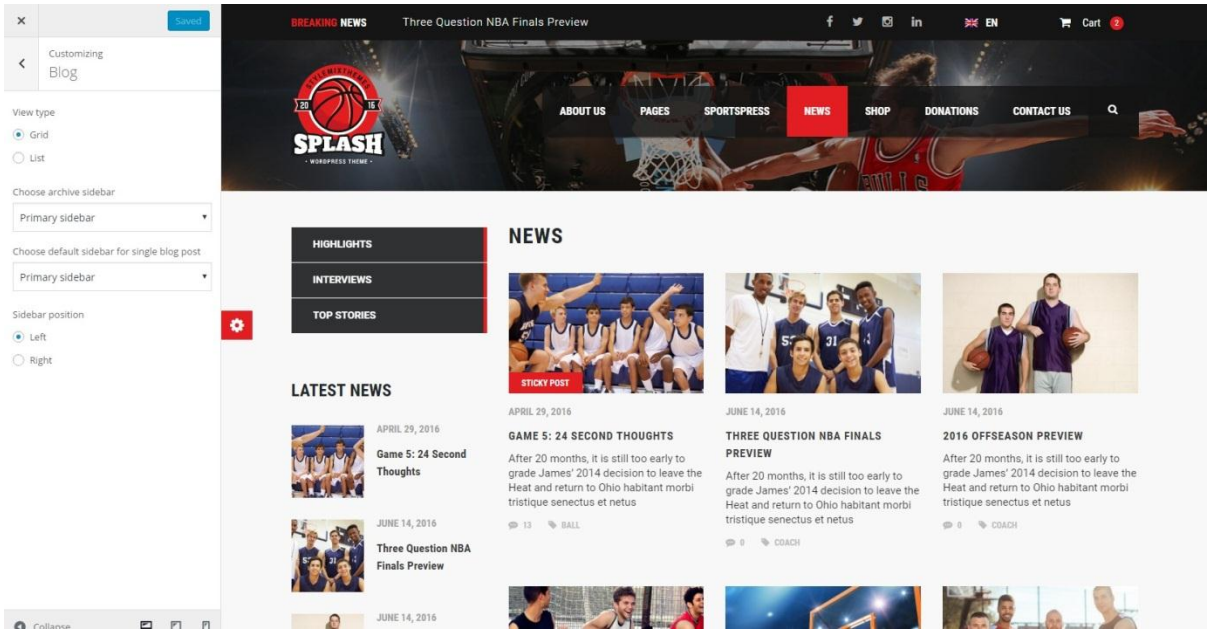


Here you can find a tutorial related on SportsPress plugin - http://support.themeboy.com/category/327-getting-started

3.3. Blog page

The Blog page is a usual blog, formed from the posts which belong to categories created by you, which have tags and featured images that show in the post listings on the blog page. You can set a page as a Blog posts archive page via **Appearance -> Customize -> Site Settings -> Static Front Page:**

The blog page can have the sidebar on the left, right or no sidebar, and the contents of the sidebar, as described above, are set under the Appearance > Widgets. Other settings of this archive page you can setup via **Appearance -> Customize -> Blog**:



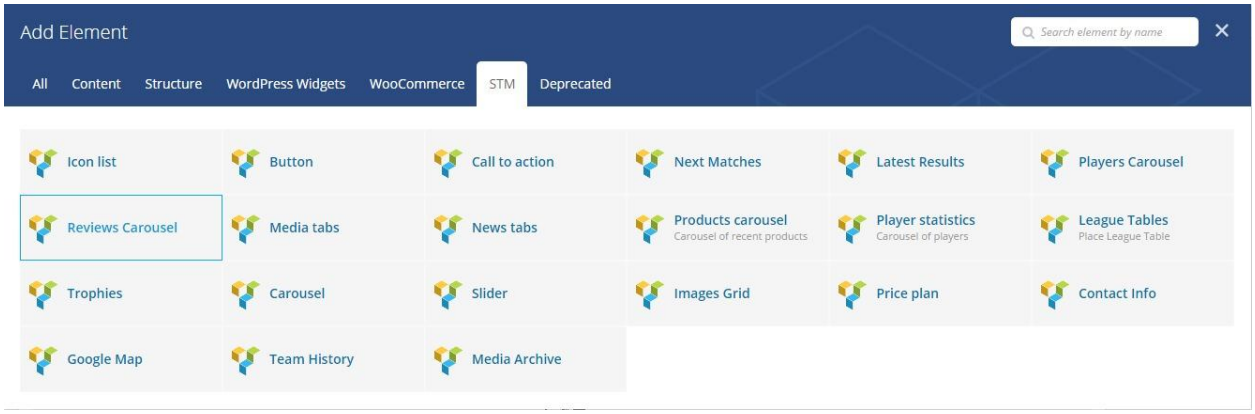
Blogs can be posted by someone who has the access to the backend of the site with admin or author role. Anyway that person will be able to log into the WordPress panel and have a user profile.

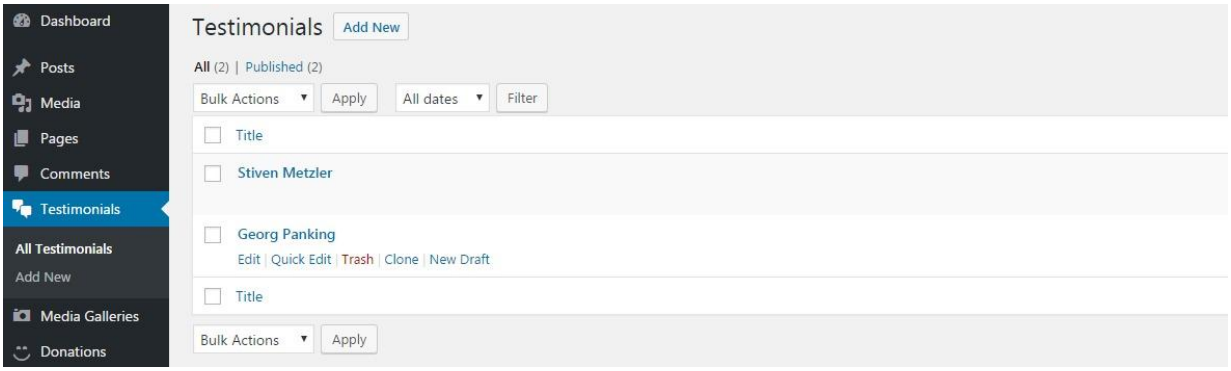
Default blog layout is grid layout and once you set up an empty page in the theme setting where it is said blog, it will show posts in grid layout.

If you want to have List layout, you will need to create a page and set a template for it named Blog-list.

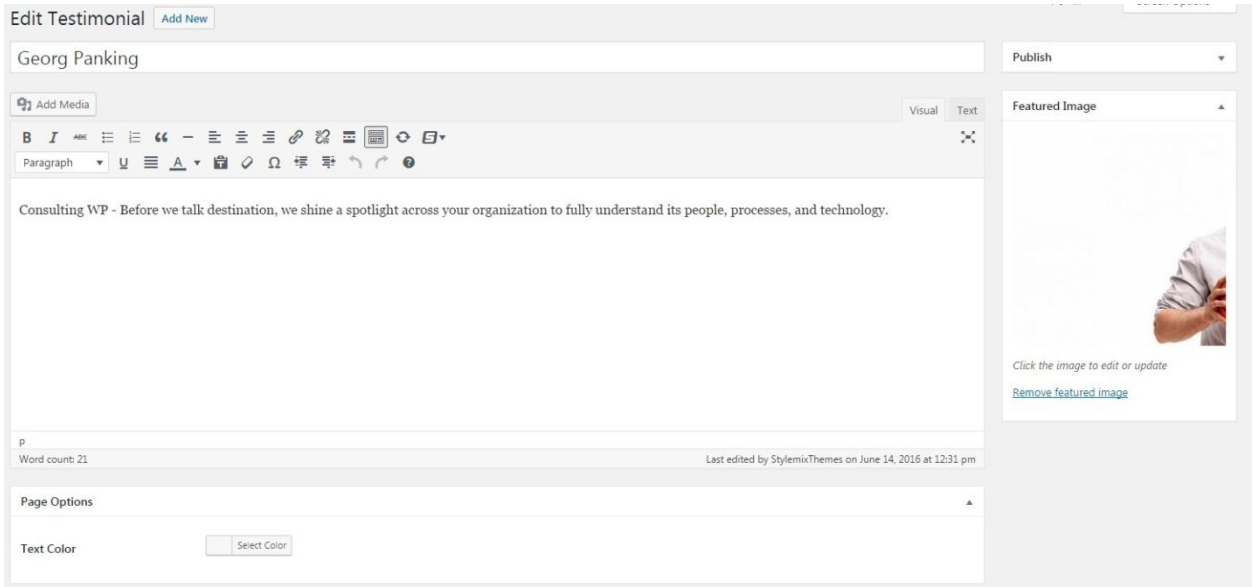
3.4. Testimonials

In order that you could create testimonials in one place and then use all over the site, just inserting a VC element, we have created custom posts.



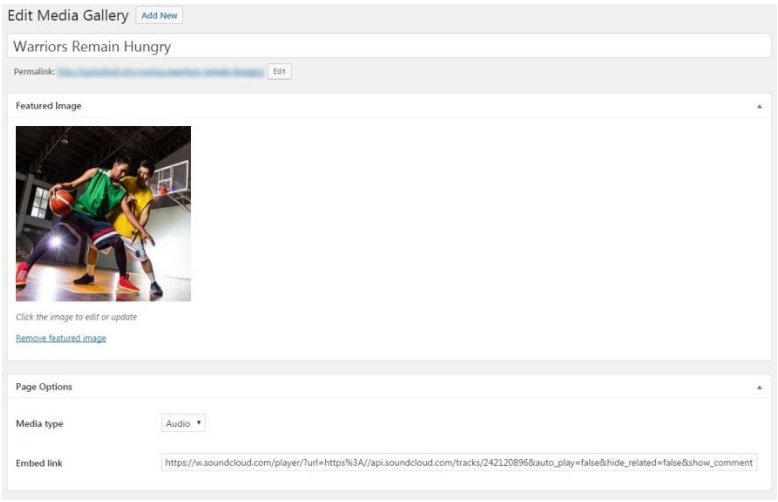


Each testimonial is a simple post:

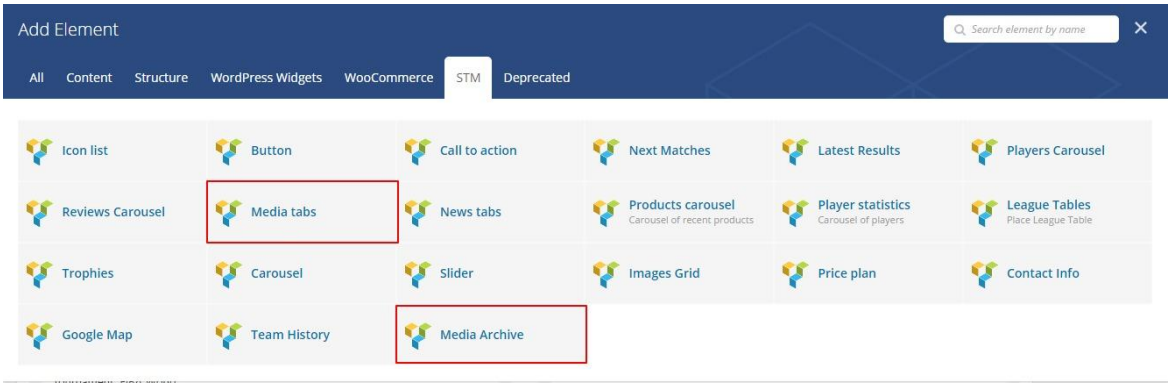


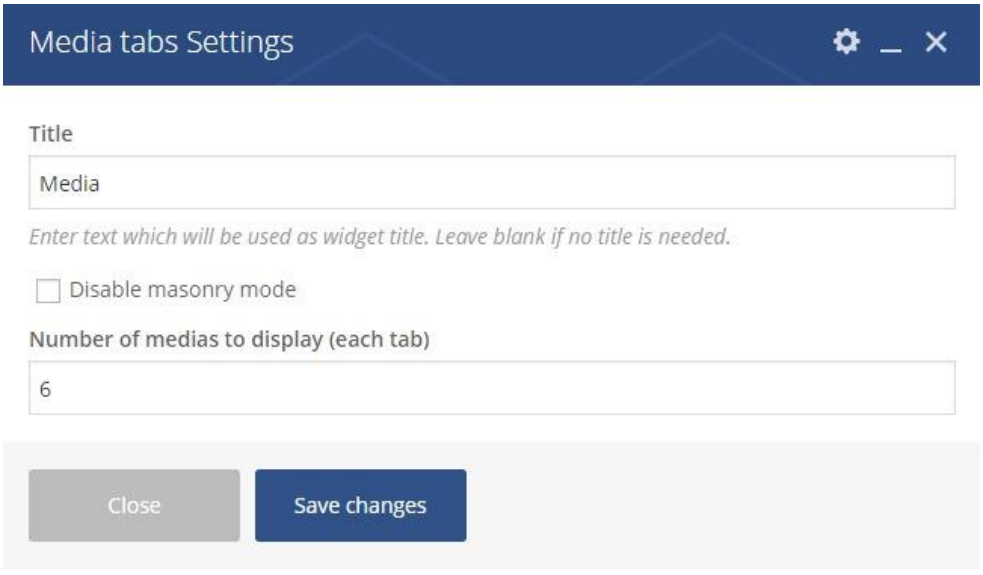
3.7. Media Gallery

You can add Media elements like a single post each of them under **Media Gallery**.



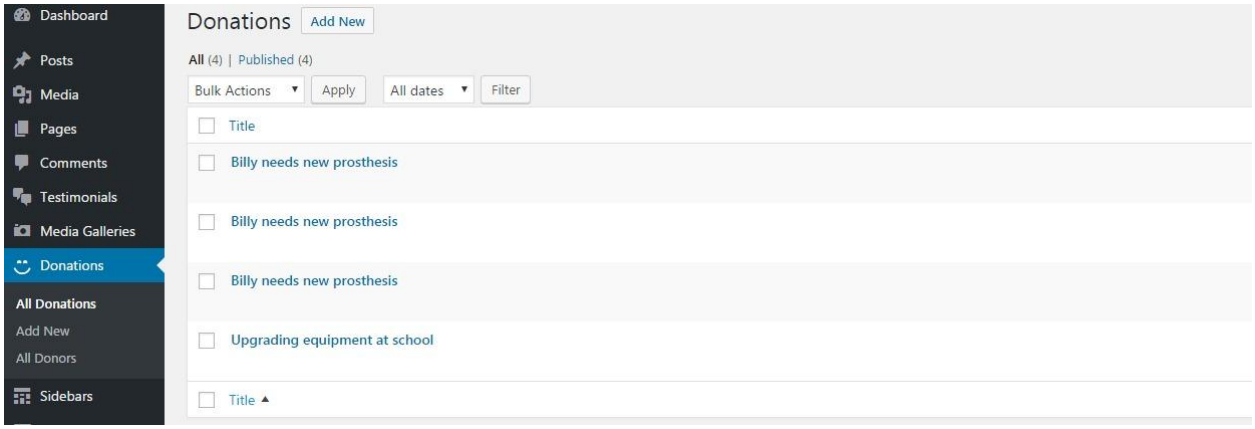
Besides Title and Images you can set Gallery Format, Category(es), Description, Link or Embed code for each gallery post. Also it's possible to set a post as a Featured. For displaying your Media Gallery you can use one of the extra VC Modules in any page.



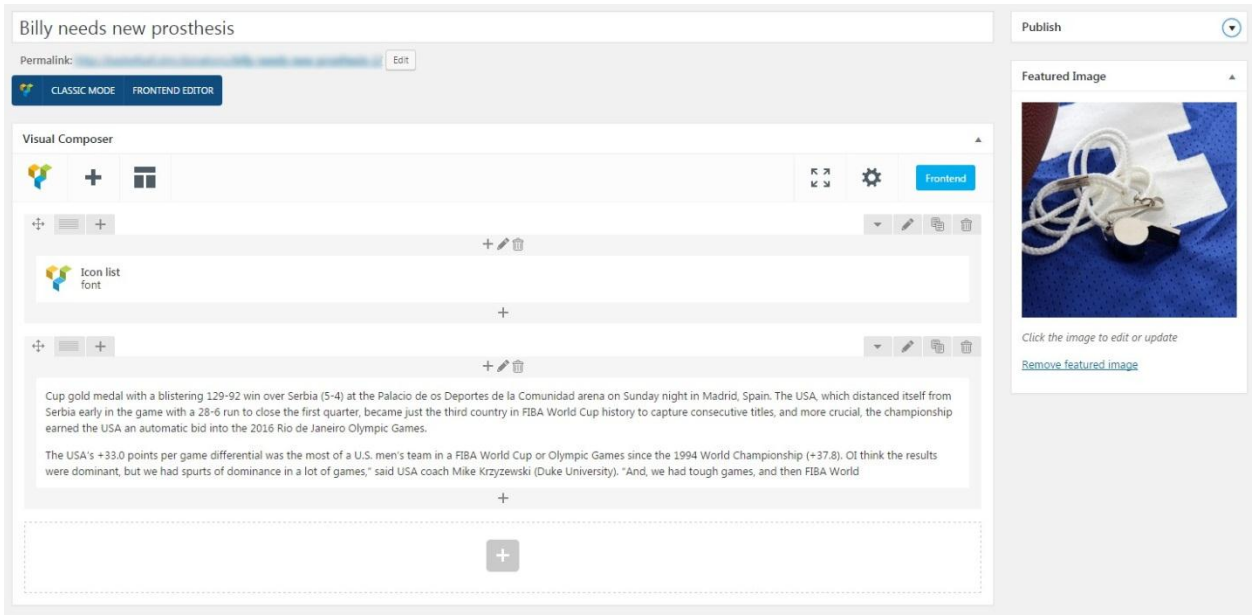


3.5. Donations

Donations are created as another custom post type called Testimonials. It has Categories that can be ordered as needed and All Donors list. Here you create just single donation.

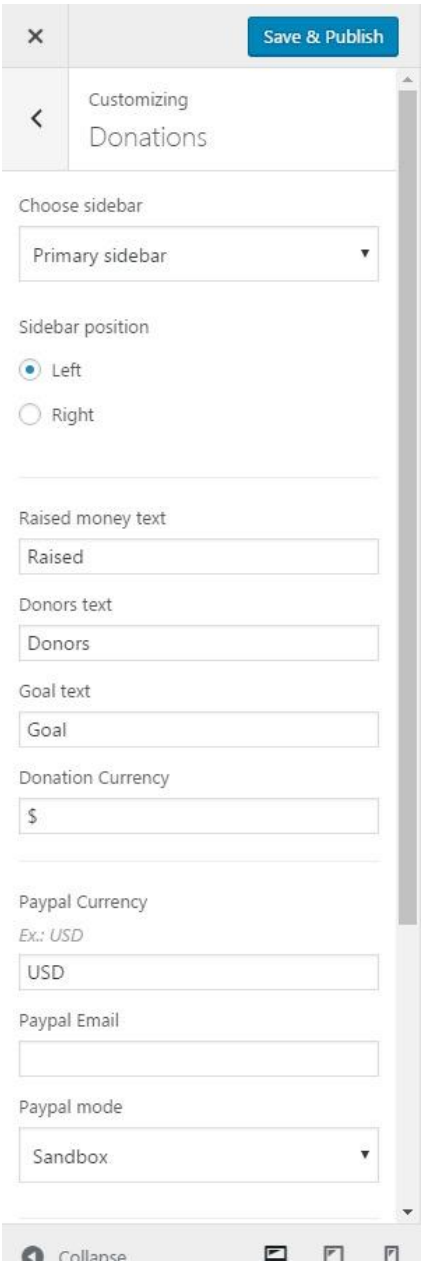


So basically, you create an individual post describing for each work in your Cases archive. After that you go to the **Donations -> Add new**.



You can add an Image, Title and Category(es) for each Work post. Besides this you need to add Donation information under Information tab:

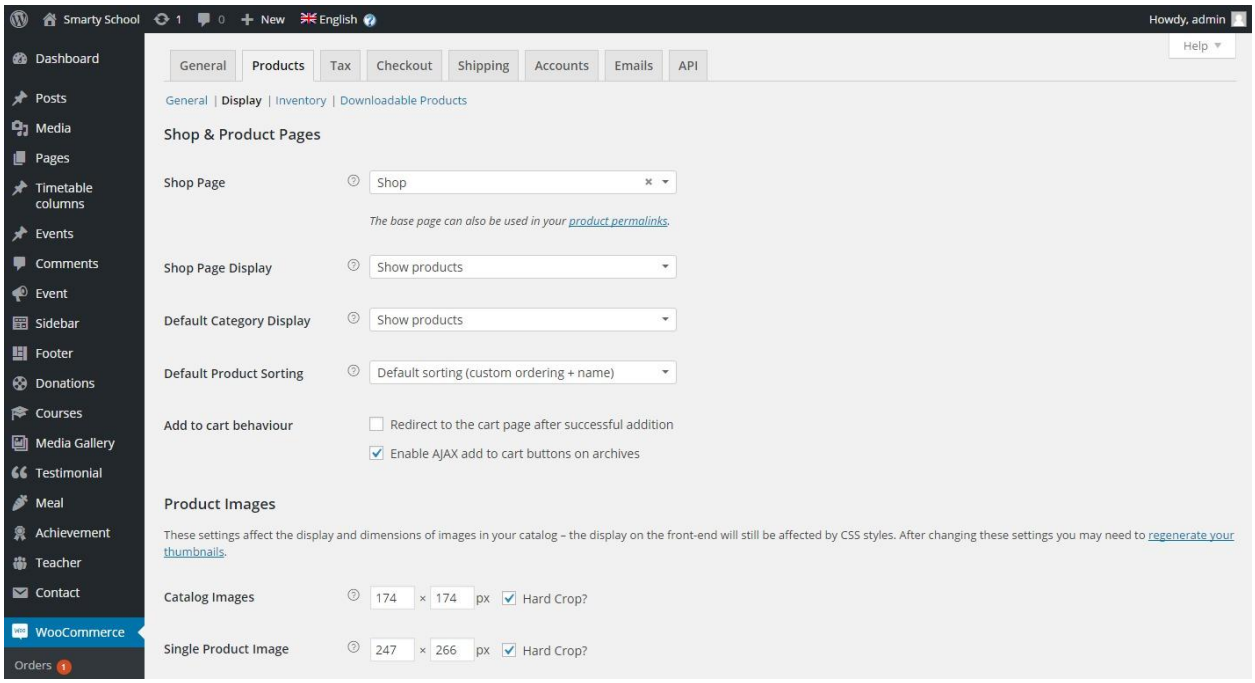
You can set up **Donation** archive page settings and **PayPal** API credentials under **Customize** section .



3.7. WooCommerce Shop settings

WooCommerce is the most popular e-commerce plugin for WordPress. Now you can have a shop with all e-commerce features on WordPress.

Before you start adding products, please go through the WooCommerce plugin settings and specify everything you need for your shop:



Adding the products: You can easily add new products via **Products > Add Product**.

Here you can find WooCommerce Documentation - https://docs.woothemes.com/documentation/plugins/woocommerce/getting-started/.

3.8. Update the theme

There are 3 methods to update our wordpress themes to newer version. These new updates are essential if you want to have a bug free website as we give new features and improvements to the theme over time. Some of these updates might be needed in order to make the theme compatible with wordpress newer versions. There is no risk on losing your settings and pages. However if you have done modifications on core theme files, then they will be lost, so you should back up those files.

Update Through Wordpress Admin Panel (Envato Extension)

It's possible to update the theme easily via **Dashboard -> Updates**, after entering correct API credentials via **Customize -> Site Settings -> One Click Update**:

Envato Username - your ThemeForest (or Envato) username (i.e. Stylemixthemes).

Envato API Key - secret API key you have on ThemeForest. You can create a new one under the ***Settings > API Keys*** section of your profile.

Update Through Wordpress Admin Panel (using extra plugin)

- For this method you should first install **Theme Upgrades Tool** (http://wordpress.org/plugins/easy-theme-and-plugin-upgrades/)
- Unzip the file you just downloaded from ThemeForest and locate the WordPress Theme.
- Click on Appearance > Themes in your Dashboard. Still within the Themes section, on header tab, click on Add New, then on header second tab click Upload Theme.
- Click Browse… and locate the new theme file.
- In the Upgrade existing theme? Option choose Yes from the dropdown list.
- Click Install Now and Activate the theme.

Updating using a FTP software

- Login into your Themeforest account and go to downloads (Dashboard > Downloads)
- Download the theme into your computer
- Install an FTP program (Filezilla is free) Retrieve your FTP login information from your hosting admin panel and login into your hosting via FTP
- Unzip the item main file and locate theme archive file and unzip it. Make sure your unzipping software do not create extra directory with the same name nested into each other.
- Drag and drop theme main folder into your FTP program with the destination : YOUR_HOSTING_ROOT/YOUR_SUBDIRECTORY/wp-content/themes/
- FTP program will give a warning that there is an existing with the same directory name, choose replace all.

After upgrading the theme, you can update extra plugins via **Appearance -> Install Plugins.**

Also, remember to clear your browser cache after each update if you notice anything off. Old theme files can persist in your local cache and make you think something's wrong.

Again, thank you for purchasing this theme!

If you have any questions that are beyond the scope of this document, feel free to pose them in the dedicated support forum at www.stylemixthemes.com