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AutoFocus+
Thematic
A child theme for

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Documentation
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Installation Instructions
(WordPress 3.0 or higher)

01. **Download** and extract the latest version of the Thematic Theme.
02. Upload the resulting */thematic/* folder to your WordPress */wp-content/themes/* directory.
03. **Download** and extract the AutoFocus+ or AutoFocus+ Pro Theme.
04. Using an **FTP client**, upload the resulting */autofocusplus/* or */autofocuspro/* folder to your WordPress */wp-content/themes/* directory.
    IMPORTANT! Only upload the */autofocusplus/* or */autofocuspro/* folder to your WordPress */wp-content/themes/* directory. For PC users, Leave out any */MACOSX/* folders that may appear.
05. Navigate to APPEARANCE > THEMES in the Backend and activate **AutoFocus+** or **AutoFocus+ Pro**.
06. That's it!

Upgrading
For users upgrading from any older version of AutoFocus, in order to give AutoFocus+ more flexibility, I needed to rework the overall functionality. The changes I've made make things easier across the board. At the same time, I can't guarantee that everything will work exactly like how it did in the old versions — though I did leave in some scripts to help make the transition easier. Most modifications or customizations, done to the old version will mostly likely not work with this new version. Now that the coding is redone in a more streamlined way, I'm hoping that customizing will be much easier.

Using Images

Using Images Uploaded with WordPress
AutoFocus+ uses a 3 step process to determine which image it will use as the "Anchor Image." The Anchor Image is what you see on the front page for each post and the main image on single posts.

01. **Featured Image**: First, it checks to see if you have uploaded an image to your post and selected it as a *Featured Image*. If so, that image will become the Anchor Image. **How to select a Featured Image**.
02. **LATEST Attached Image**: Then, if there is no Feature Image selected, AutoFocus+, will check to see if any images are attached to the post. It then takes the last attached image, and uses that as the post thumbnail.
03. **Post Content Image**: Lastly, if there are no attachments, AutoFocus+ will attempt to find an image in your post content and use that as the Anchor Image.

Obviously, selecting Featured Images in Step 1 gives you the most control. Steps 2 and 3 are more for people coming from older versions of AutoFocus. It's important to think of the Anchor Image as a separate piece of supportive content for you posts.

Using Images From Flickr
To use the new Flickr image feature, you need to first have a working Flickr account. After you've created an account and added a few image sets, you can start setting up the Flickr API to work with AutoFocus+ using the instructions below.

01. Log in to your Flickr account and go to the **Apply for API key page**.
02. Click on the "Create a New Non-Commercial API key" link.
03. Give your app a name (eg. My website name) and a description. (eg. A Flickr gallery for my website)
04. Agree to the terms and click "Submit."
05. You will be given your API Key and API Secret Key. You will also need your Flickr Username. (see note below)
06. From there, go to the AF+ Pro Options page and enter the API data into the Flickr settings area.

Note: When specifying your username, it must be the username found in your Flickr URL

(eg. http://flickr.com/photos/username). This is not necessarily your Flickr username you use to login.

After you do that, on any Post Edit screen you should see a drop down where you can select your Photo Sets directly from Flickr.

Image Sizes

Please make sure to always upload images that are least 800px wide to ensure proper formatting. AutoFocus+ & WordPress will then, automatically create three custom images sizes that lock into the AutoFocus+ grid. These sizes are automatically set when you activate AutoFocus+ for the first time. For your reference, here are the sizes:

01. **Thumbnail**: 88px × 88px. (cropped)
02. **Medium**: 188px × 188px.
03. **Large**: 494px × 494px.

Please note that these settings only effect the images that you upload *AFTER* you activate AutoFocus+. **I strongly suggest** installing the **Regenerate Thumbnails** plugin by **Viper007Bond**, which regenerates all the image sizes in your blog so that they fit the dimensions of the AutoFocus+ grid and display areas. Here's some **more information** about image sizes in WordPress.

Image Cropping (Portfolio View Only)

With AF+ Pro version 1.5 you can now crop your the thumbnail images that are displayed on the Front Page (this only works in Portfolio View). To do so you'll, simply follow the **instructions here**, while making sure to only select "Thumbnail" as the edited image.

Adding Photo Credits

By default the Photo Credit is set to show the post author's Display name. Using the Photo Credit Option on the post edit screen, you can override the post author to display any credit you'd like.

Adding Video and Other Embedded Content

AF+ PRO uses oEmbed to display any supported embedable content using only the link to the content. Use the Embed URL Option on the post edit screen to add YouTube, Vimeo, Flickr galleries and other Media types to your posts. Simply insert any **oEmbed supported URL scheme** and it will override the Anchor Image on single pages. **More information**.

Here are some oEmbed Examples:
- Vimeo: http://vimeo.com/7757262
- Youtube: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vk1HvP7NO5w
- Flickr Photo: http://www.flickr.com/photos/bking/3598750242/
- Flickr Gallery: http://www.flickr.com/photos/bking/sets/72157603789468441/show/
- Hulu: http://www.hulu.com/watch/20807/late-night-with-conan
- Wikipedia: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Life_on_Mars_(TV_series)
- **See More oEmbed Examples**.

Adding a Featured area

AutoFocus+ utilizes the new Sticky Post feature to determine which posts show up in the featured area. Check out Nathan Rice's site to find out **how to make a sticky post** — it's really simple. Please note that if there are no Sticky Posts in your site, the featured area will not appear. If there is more than one Post marked as "Sticky," AutoFocus will choose one Sticky Post to show in the featured area at random.

Featured Slider

AutoFocus+ Pro comes with an additional Featured Slider option that allows you to display a sliding list of Sticky Posts on the front page. To use this feature, simply navigate to the AF+ PRO Options page and turn the option on while you have 2 or more Posts marked as "Sticky."

Short Cuts

Use the Left(←) and Right(→) arrows to navigate forwards and backwards respectively through the front page, and any archives or single post pages. **Give it a try**.
Note: This has been disabled on single pages so that commenting can function properly.

Grid Hot Keys

You can also use the Key combination: **ALT + SHIFT + G** to toggle the AF+ layout grid from any front end page.

Using the Blog Layout (Pro Version only)

To use the blog layout, simply create a New Page and select the **Blog Template** under the Attributes panel on the Edit Post screen (**example**). You will also need to select which Category, you would like to use for the Blog posts. That selected category will be excluded from the loop on the Home Page, so you can manage the blog posts separately.

Adding a Sliding Gallery of Attachments (Pro Version only)

To use the sliding image attachment gallery feature, simply attach 2 or more images to a post and turn the option on under the **AutoFocus+ Pro Post Options**.

Shortcode Content Types (Pro Version only)

I've built in some additional styling which allows you to showcase other types of content and mix up the layout on a post-by-post basis. Check out **this post** to see some examples and live instructions.

01. **Pullquote**: Adds a pull quote about the project with some additional styles.
02. **Large Image Area**: Adds a larger post image with a hovering description. Requires an image at least 800px wide.
03. **Narrow Columns**: Adds a narrow paragraph column which you can use to change the flow of text. Use 2 narrow columns together with left and right parameters to create a 2 column post area.

More details about using AutoFocus+ shortcodes can be found on the **AutoFocus+ Instructions Panel** conveniently located on every Post Edit screen of the backend. You may want to check out the **WordPress codex** on the subject as well.

Sidebars

There are five sidebars included with AutoFocus+. These sidebars can be edited under APPEARANCE > WIDGETS in the admin. There are 4 sidebars located at the bottom of every page. The fifth sidebar will only show up on single Posts and Pages, under the Post Meta (**example**). Here's a list of the available sidebars.

01. **1st Subsidiary Aside**: Located just above the footer.
02. **2nd Subsidiary Aside**: Located just above the footer.
03. **3rd Subsidiary Aside**: Located just above the footer.
04. **4th Subsidiary Aside**: Located just above the footer.
05. **Single Page Sidebar**: Located on Single Posts and Pages just below the meta data.
06. **Leader Board Sidebar** (Pro version only): Located just above the header.
07. **Intro Sidebar** (Pro version only): Located on the Front Page just below the header.

Theme Options

There are a number of Theme Options that allow you to add a personal touch to AutoFocus+. These options can be found at APPEARANCE > AUTOFOCUS+ OPTIONS in the back-end.

Layout

01. **HomePage Display (Pro Version Only):** Choose between the Grid(small square images) or Default(staggered images) layout.
02. **Sliding Featured (Pro Version Only):** Add a check here to display a sliding list of "Sticky Post." (see instructions above)

Settings

03. **Text Color:** Change the color of reading text by entering a HEX color number here. (ie: 003333)
04. **Link Color:** Change the color of links and hovering colors by entering a HEX color number here. (ie: 003333)
05. **Background Color:** Change the background and highlight colors by entering a HEX color number here. (ie: FF6600)
06. **Photo Background Color:** Change the background color of Portrait (narrow) images by entering a HEX color number here. (ie: FF6600)

07. **Blog Category (Pro Version Only):** Select a post category to be shown in the Blog Template and excluded from the Front Page loop.
08. **Show Post Title & Date Display:** Choose between 4 different display options.
09. **Show EXIF data:** Add a check here to show the Exif data for your images on image attachment pages. (WP Gallery Images only)
10. **Add Fancy Box (Light Box):** A check here will enable Fancybox for images in the [gallery] on single pages. **More Info**.

Flickr (Pro Version Only)
11. **Username:** (See instruction above)
12. **API Key:** (See instruction above)
13. **Secret Key:** (See instruction above)

Customizing Theme Images

Favorite Icon Image
Create a 16x16px favicon image using one of the **many free services** available on the web. Then replace the *autofocus/img/favicon.ico* file with the icon you created.

Add a Custom Logo (v1.3+)
To add a custom logo, navigate to APPEARANCE > HEADER, and follow the on screen instructions to upload a custom logo/ header image or use the default. Please note that any text color you choose will be replaced by the colors set in the AF+ PRO options panel. **NOTE**: The logo size is currently restricted to 292px wide by 50px tall.

~~Custom Logo (Pro version only)~~ *Removed in v1.3*
The logo can be customized by replacing the */autofocuspro/img/logo.png* file (for IE6 you will also have to replace the */autofocus/img/logo**.gif** file). Included with this theme is a Photoshop file that you can use as a basis for your own logo.

Caveats

- The Custom Logo size is currently restricted to 292px × 50px. I'm looking into making the logo size customizable.
- Flickr API doesn't allow a you to choose an "Anchor Image" for posts.

Changelog (Pro version only)

Version 1.5 (12/16/2010)

- Added WordPress 3.0 Custom Menus.
- Added Lightbox for [gallery] shortcodes.
- Added defined constants. (http://wptheming.com/2010/06/wordpress-directory-paths/)
- Added better Flickr integration. (http://phpflickr.com/)
- Added new style for Grid layout on single posts.
- Added a Slider Image Count option for adding more than 10 images to the image slider.
- Removed 'Anchor Image' display for single posts in the designated Blog category.
- Removed Left & Right arrow key navigation for single pages.
- Fixed H1 and H2 tags in the markup on single posts and pages.
- Fixed Single Sidebar to only show on "Blog" posts and pages.
- Fixed image size constraints in the .entry-content area.
- Fixed Full Width Page Template display for Thematic.
- Fixed deprecated functions and undefined variables. (Tested through WP-Debug & WP v3.0.3)
- Fixed IE8 bugs.

Version 1.3.1 (11/21/2010)

- Fixed issue with the latest Thematic Upgrade. **More Info**.

Version 1.3 (7/22/2010)

- Added WordPress 3.0 Header script for custom logo. (add_custom_image_header();)
- Added Post/Page visual editor styles. (add_editor_style();)
- Added a separate enqueued stylesheet for the default layout when the slider is activated.

- **Fixed the default layout overlapping bug when using the slider.**
- Fixed gallery slider on single pages in webkit based browsers.
- Fixed category logic for Next & Previous post excerpts.
- Removed logo option from AF+ Pro Options Panel.
- Removed JS loads when in the admin.

Version 1.2 (5/20/2010)

- Fixed category includes/excludes for Next & Previous links.
- Fixed a bug where Blog category posts were showing in the home page.
- Fixed some jQuery errors for WP 3.0.
- Fixed date formatting on activation.
- Updated Enqueue Scripts for WP 3.0. (**More info**)

Version 1.1 (4/22/2010)

- Added an optional Sliding Featured(sticky) Posts area on home pages.
- Added sliding image attachment gallery option for single pages.
- Re-Coded Post Meta options.
- Fixed custom Post Meta import/export bug.

Version 1.0 (3/29/2010)

- Initial release

Other Information

Developed using the **Thematic Theme Framework** by Ian Stewart of **ThemeShaper.com**.

All sample images in the demos were used with permission from James Brandon King for **wordbk.com**. This guy's work is incredible!

jQuery powers all the animated elements. For more info check out **The jQuery Project**. AutoFocus+ also uses the **JS-Hotkeys jQuery plugin** by **Tzury Bar Yochay**, the **imgCenter jQuery plugin** by **Drew Wilson**, and the **jsColor Javascript Color Picker** by **Honza Odvarko**.
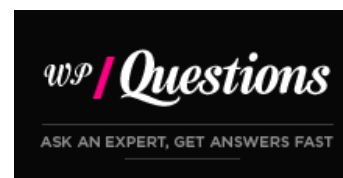
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Recommended Support

WPQuestions is a problem-solving community for WordPress, ideal for users seeking quick, succinct answers they can't find in any WordPress forums. I'd recommend running your most pressing AutoFocus+ questions by the experts at **WPQuestions.com**

The **Themeshaper Support Forums** is also a great place to find information about using and tweaking child themes within this framework. The WordPress **Support Forums** is another great resource for everything related to WP and theming — I am sure you will find answers to almost all of your questions using these three resources.

Get Satisfaction Support

My **Get Satisfaction Support Page** is a great space to discuss issues publicly amongst other users. Feel free to post questions of any kind here. I will only be responding to bug/error reports, but anyone is welcome to offer help and support.

That said, here's **my email** if you'd like to get in touch with me. **;-)**

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