

**All Slides for the SPLOTpoint presentation**

**"What the SPLOT is That?"**

**<http://show.cogdog.casa/splot>**

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**You're Soaking in It**

**“Madge!  
A Wordpress theme  
that’s a single use tool?”**



“It’s all right– this is SPLOT.”

“Then it’s open?”

“Oh, SPLOT Themes  
are more than just open.

Why, in my courses  
it gives my possibilities  
that just never stop.  
In fact, you’re soaking  
in one now!”

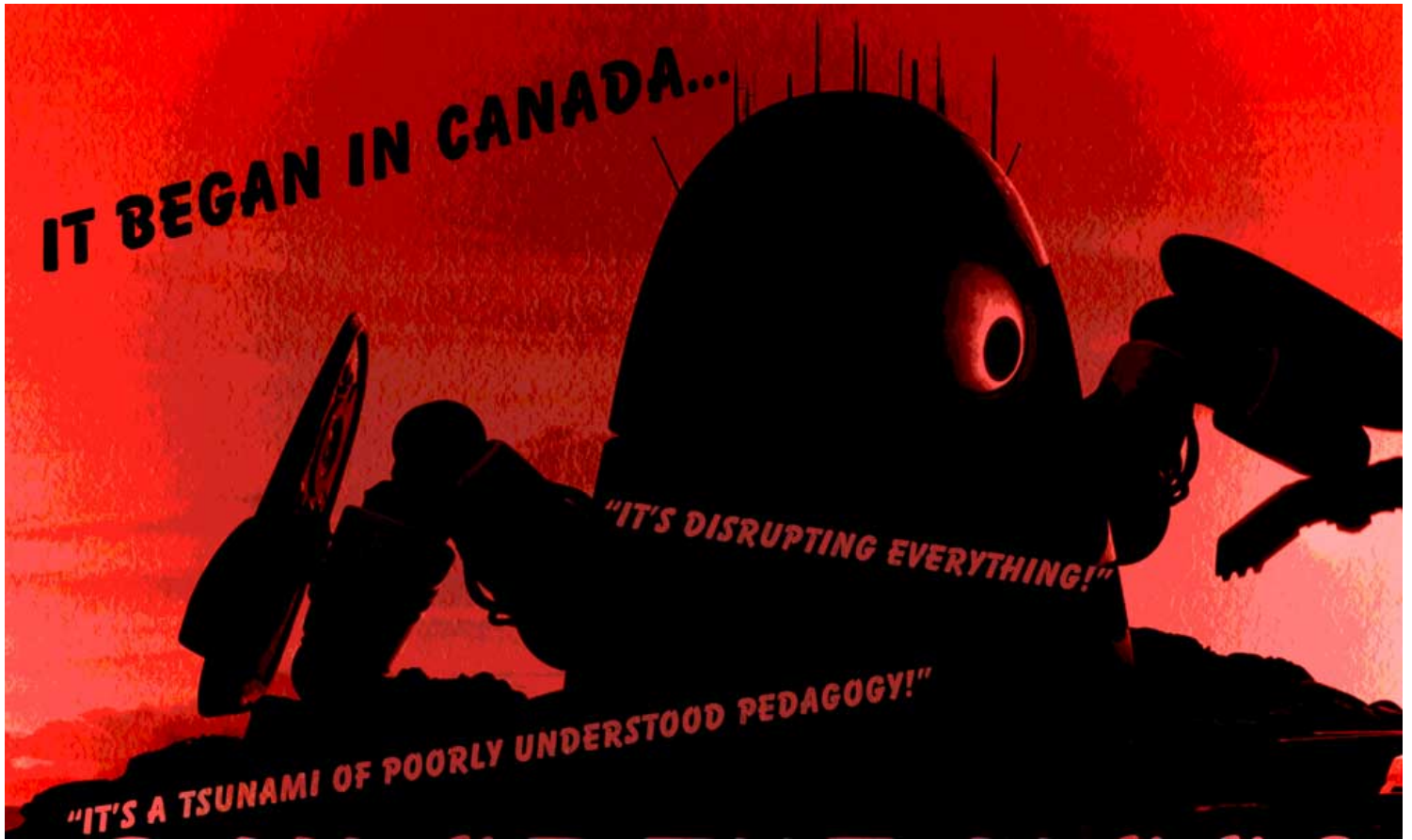


<https://github.com/cogdog/splotpoint>

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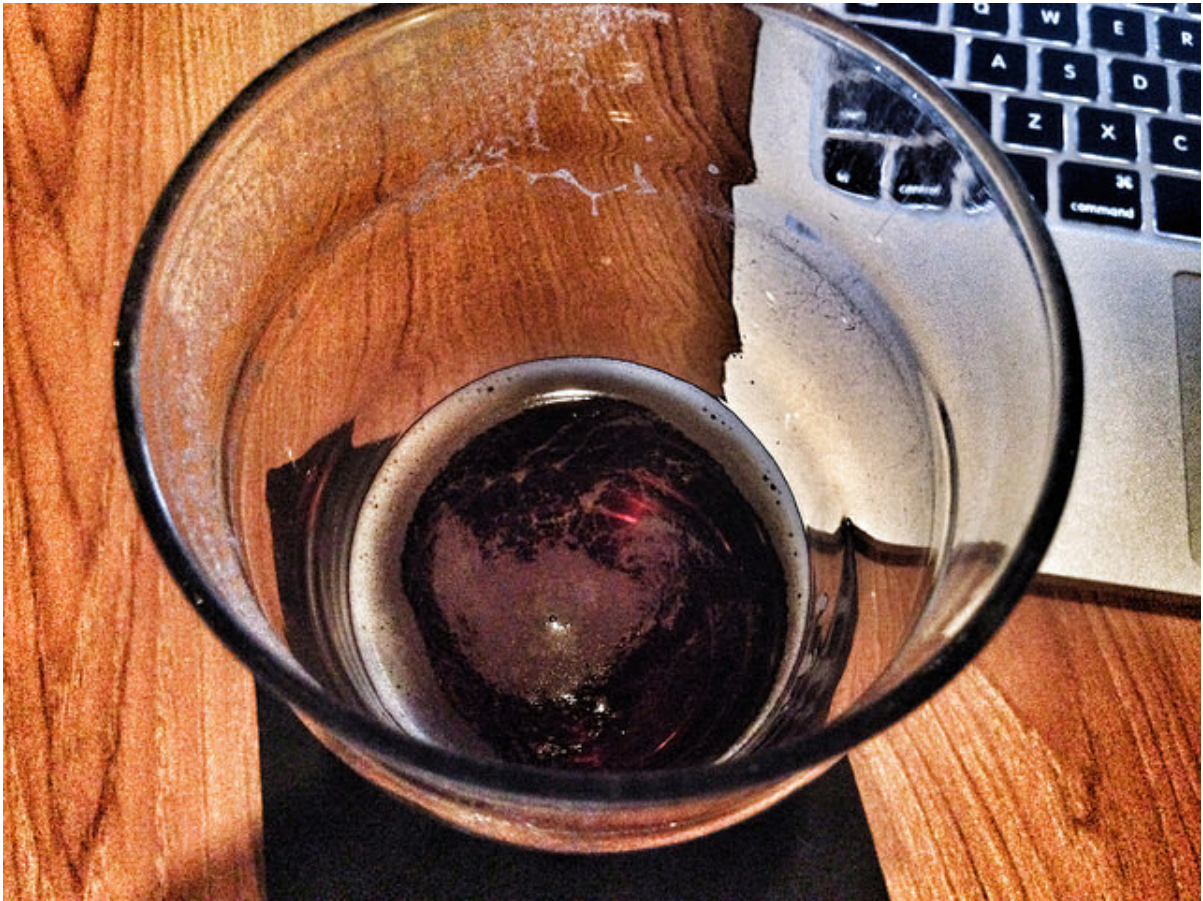
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**Like MOOCs, It Came From Canada**

**2014 Open Learning Fellowship at  
Thompson Rivers University**



Behold **The Imperialist Pig** flickr photo by [cogdogblog](#) shared under a **Creative Commons (BY) license**



**Brian Lamb**

@brlamb



Disappointed that [@cogdog](#) hates my proposed acronym SPLOT for a project. Obviously snazzy marketing ain't my thing. I wonder what is...

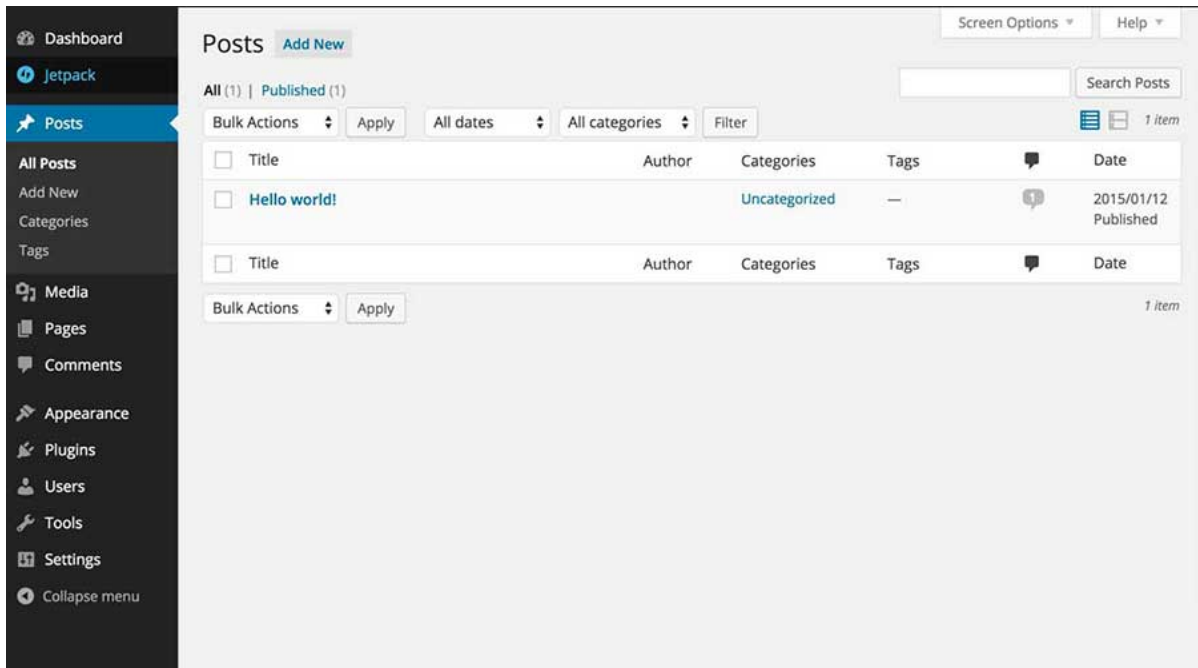
4:18 PM - Oct 28, 2014

♥ 1 👤 See Brian Lamb's other Tweets



*Early on we identified two core challenges in getting people to get onto the open web. The perceived difficulty (and lack of support) of open web environments, and privacy concerns.*

# That First WordPress Encounter...



What do I do here?

Inspired by Tom Woodward

# Field Botany

Plants of the James River Park System

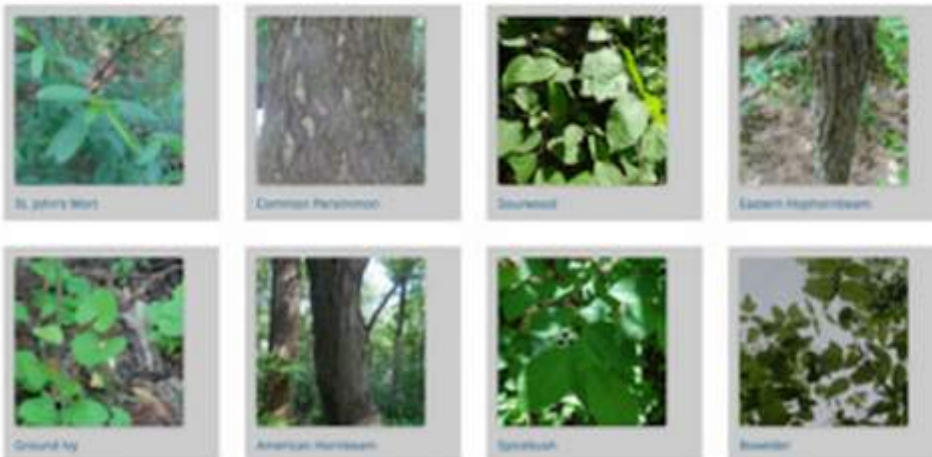
BELLE ISLE BUTTERMILK TRAIL DOGWOOD DELL NORTH BANK TRAIL OTHER LOCATION PONY PASTURE NEEDY CREEK

## Belle Isle



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Filter buttons: All, Blue, Flowers, Fruit, Grasses & Sedges, Herbaceous, Location, Mosses & Ferns, Nut-like, Orange, Pink, Prickly, Purple, Shrub, Tree, Type, Upright, Vine, White, Yellow



VCU Field Botany site- students post directly by email

# Greenwashing

Just another Rampages.us site

[Home](#) [Greenwashing Form](#) [Gallery](#)



## Eco-Friendly P

by Brocksrnj on December 22, 2014

Simple Solution ECO Care Pu environmentally friendly. They innovative construction is created with groundbre waste and maximizes absorption.

Continue Reading 0



## Simple Green Really Isn't Green!

by Jesseg1026 on September 23, 2014 in Uncategorized

Simple Green has been claiming that cleaning products are green both in color and environmental friendliness. Only half of this is true. It is a green color but, as far as being environmentally friendly, it is not. It contains a petrochemical solvent that destroys red blood cells and can cause reproductive problems and birth defects.

### Greenwashing Form

#### Greenwashing Assignment

Title your example of green washing \*

Add at least one image \*

 No file chosen

50 word or less summary of your post \*

already  
cloth  
merism dead  
endly  
alse  
it green  
ashing  
al medical  
Organic plant based  
plastic poop produce recycle reusing soap  
sustainable towels USDA waste water  
"Marketing"

Gravity form front end for posting to site

# splot.ca

## Start With a Domain

(<https://cogdog.trubox.ca/2014/10/28/wh-at-the-splot/>)

**SPLIT**  
*Smallest Perceptive Lucid Outrageous Technologies*

**TRU Sounder**  
It was not too much more to apply the principle of the TRU Collector as a

**TRU Collector**  
The idea for this SPLIT came from TRU Open Learning instructional

**TRU Writer**  
TRU Writer offers a simple but elegant web publishing platform that



*Featured Image: It Came From Canada by David Kernohan*

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**The Comparator (SPLOT 0.1 alpha)**

**Prototyped with HTML / jQuery**

No, I will not be appearing on HGTV. This is just a demo of the Image Comparator (better name pending) using photos of my kitchen before and after the makeover my sister and brother-in-law helped with this summer.

The first of ?? many Simplest Possible Learning Online Tools (blame/credit @bramb for the acronym).



Using a [simple jQuery library](#) to create this effect. More filler text as needed.

The intent is to now build a web based tool that would allow anyone to generate the thingy on the left, the first effort at a web app based inside a wordpress site. This could be shared as a theme others could put on their own site. The idea:

- A form to create one, upload two images, add a title and caption.
- Add code to generate a series of image sizes on upload (leveraging media library) e.g. 300x300 600x600, 400x380, 800x600, 1024x768, 380x400, 600x800 (?) because the jQuery plugin requires knowing size of originals.
- Custom function creates a post (or custom post type, but a post with 2 custom fields can do) include URLs for uploaded images as post meta data.
- Generate page would include links to possible options for display (size options, use title/caption or not) so a link can show it or a bit of embed code (iframe??) to insert it in a page.

May or may not work well on mobiles. Trying [jQuery UI Touch Punch](#) and sort of works on rotated iPhone. It's pre-alpha, baby.

<http://lab.cogdogblog.com/comparator/>

# Try it

<http://splot.ca/comparator/>

[The Comparator](#) [Make One](#) [See Others](#) [See Random One](#)

This is the first of what we are calling Smallest Possible Learning Online Tools (SPLIT!)

**The Comparator** provides a front end for creating "before/after" image tools, where a slider allows you to compare two images. It uses the [Before After jQuery plugin](#), wrapped here in a WordPress site as a platform for building it w/o having to mess around with code.

Experiment with the one below, and when you tire of looking at my kitchen makeover, [make one yourself](#).



[Show only before](#)

[Show only after](#)



One of a set of Smallest Possible Learning Open Tools. Create a web widget that compares two photos via a draggable slider, without creating any accounts, without doing any coding.

#### See Also

- [Interactive Before and After Images](#) Collection of examples from Elearning Examples
- [jQuery Before/After Plugin](#) What provides the functionality under the hood
- [JuxtaposeJS](#) Probably a much better implementation of this same functionality
- [TwentyTwenty Wordpress Plugin](#) Provides functionality of Zurb's tool in Wordpress and likely a much better way to do it than this SPLIT!
- [Zurb TwentyTwenty](#) A very elegant implementation of an image comparison tool

#### Seek And Ye Might Find

<http://splot.ca/comparator/made/12/?show=1>

## See Also...

- [Splaining SPLOT with the Comparator](#) (CogDog Portfolio)
- [Comparator Info](#) (splot.ca)
- [Blog posts about the Comparator](#) (cogdogblog.com)
- [Get the Comparator Theme](#) (GitHub)

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Featured Image: [Kitchen Makeover](#) GIF made from Comparator from before / after images of a kitchen remodel (the **first demo of the tool**)

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begin slide 4



## TRU Writer



# Try It

<http://splot.ca/writer/>

**Cut and Paste From Elsewhere**

<http://splot.ca/writer/2014/67>

## Selected Examples

- [L21C Lawyering in the 21st Century](#), TRU Thompson Rivers University course
- [Alan Levine's Papers](#) Publishing Portfolio
- [Comparte](#) UDG Agora Project Reports
- [Small Cities Journal](#) TRU Thompson Rivers University prototype
- [Arganee Journal](#) (Student Writing)
- [When I Needed Help](#) (Way Back Machine)
- [more...](#)

## See Also...

- [TRU Writer Info](#) (splot.ca)
- [Blog posts about TRU Writer](#) (cogdogblog.com)
- [Get the TRU Writer Theme](#) (GitHub)

### TRU COLLECTOR

Just another SPLOT site  
19 total items collected

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× FRONT  
ABOUT  
ADD TO COLLECTION  
RANDOM


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Categories

- Animals (8)
- General (8)
- Landscape (3)
- Technology (5)


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Find




#### Have a Lousy Day!

*I am never failed to be amused by what I see as facial details in these juniper berries. What a sourpuss!*




#### Sunset in Iceland

*The sun sets over Skinhuffa. From a 2008 month spent in Iceland*




#### More Than Grand

*Just another view of the Grand Canyon from the south rim*




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#### Yellow Blue

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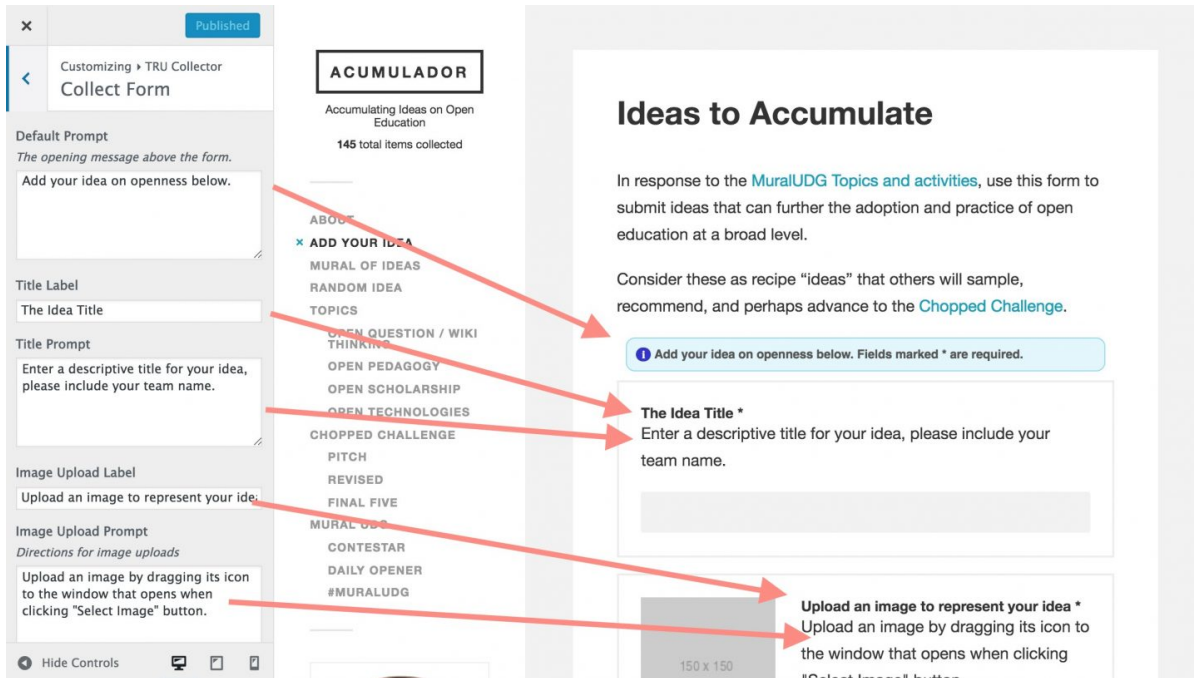
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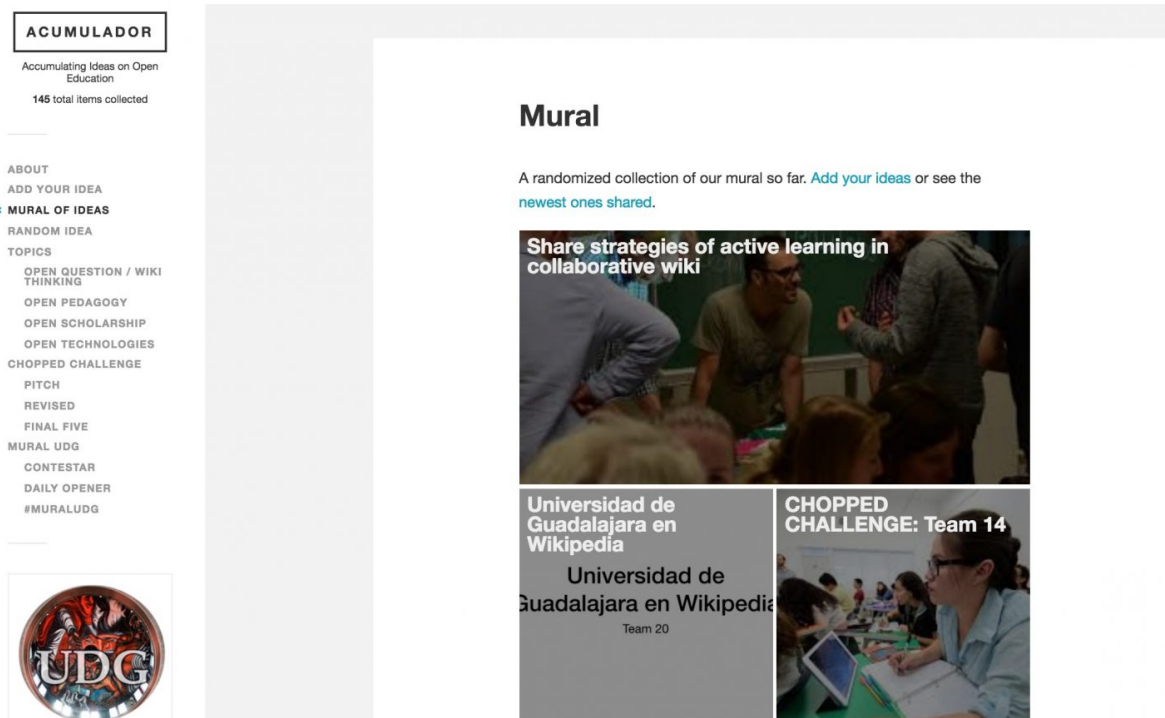


# Try It

<http://splot.ca/collector/>



New feature to customize the submission form



Using WP-Tiles for alternative display

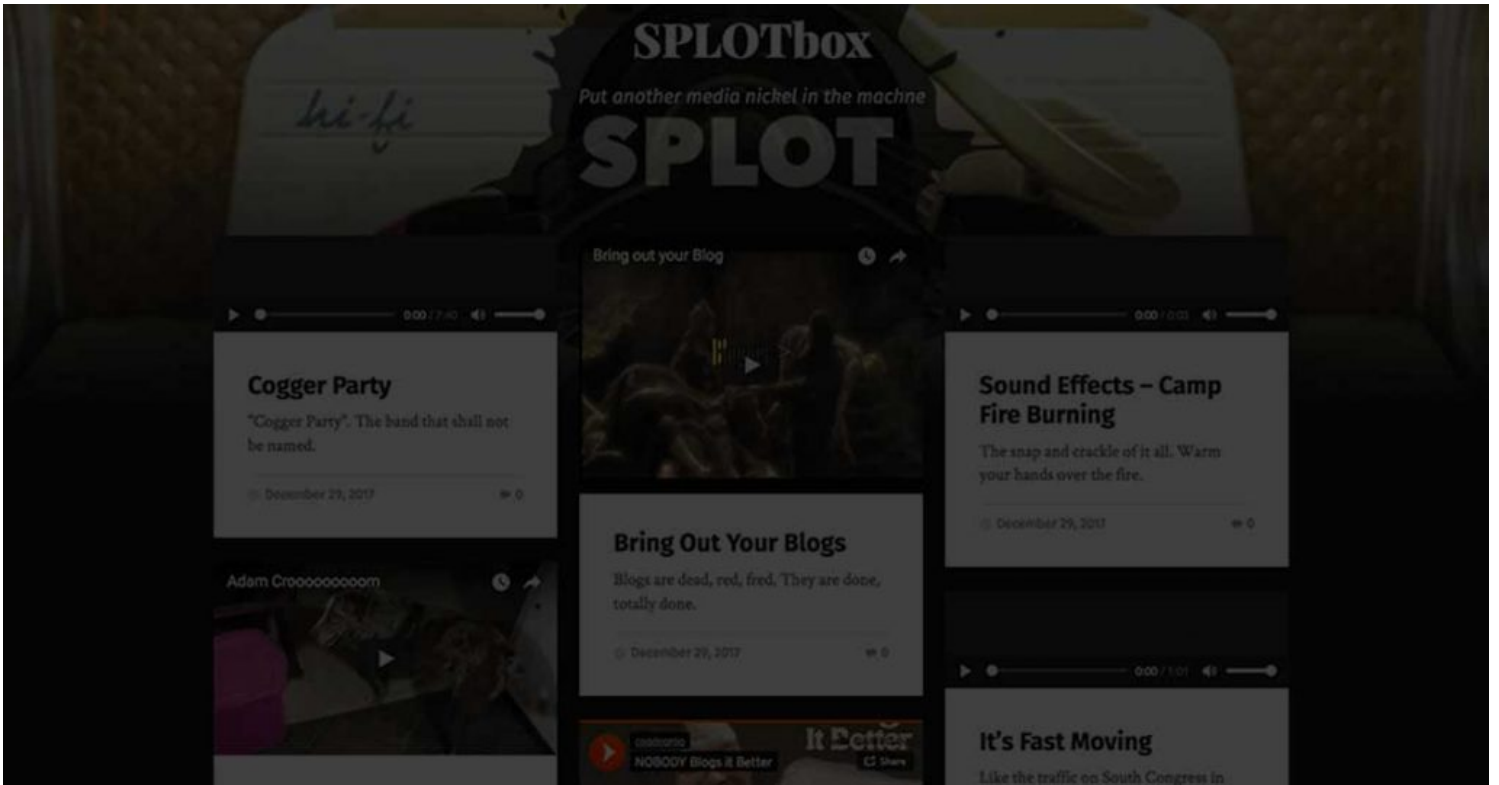


# Selected Examples

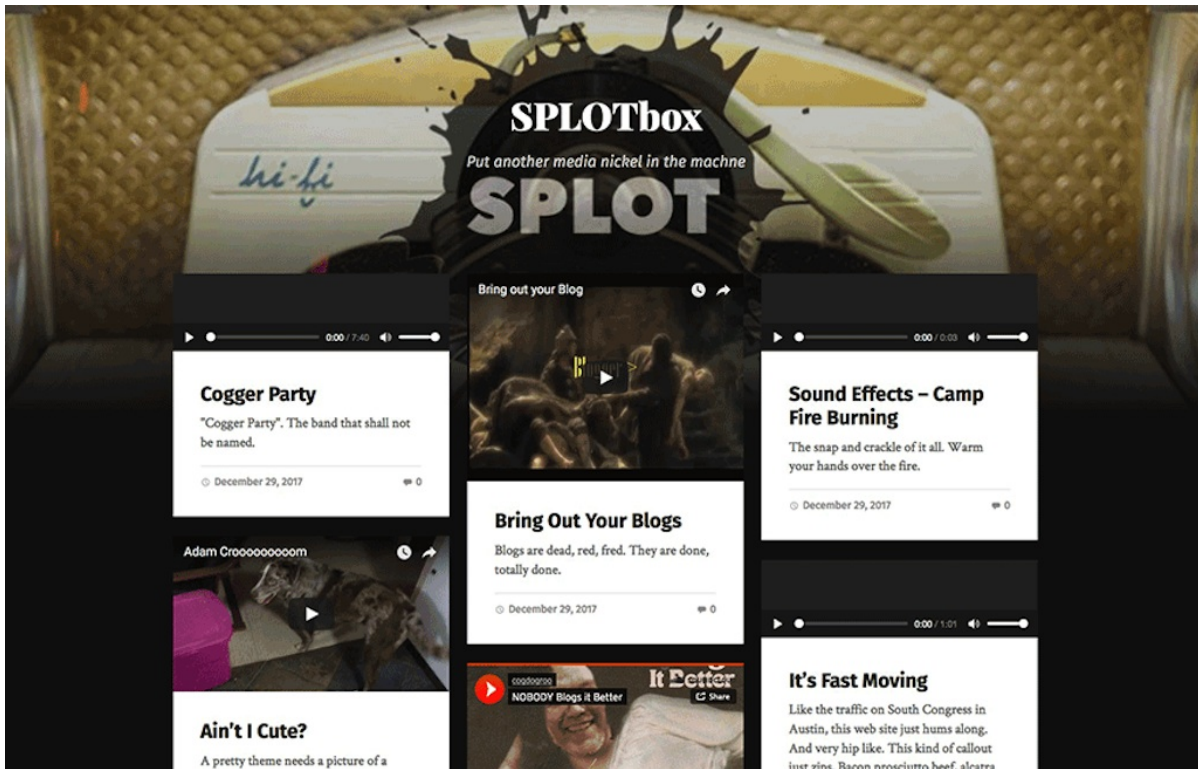
- **Imagery VISA 1101\_01** TRU's VISA 1110: History of Art
- **Online Ecosystem Maps** gallery of maps created by students enrolled in the A202DMLL Module (Develop your Online Presence & Own your Web Domain) at Coventry University.
- **GEOG 2221 Photo Collector** collecting images from participants in TRU's GEOG 2221 Course: Regional Geography of Canada
- **Acumulador** Mural UDG team project submissions
- **more...**

## See Also...

- **TRU Collector Info** (splot.ca)
- **Blog posts about TRU Collector** (cogdogblog.com)
- **Get the TRU Collector Theme** (GitHub)



## SPLOTbox Media Jukebox



Originally created as **TRU Sounder**, a collector-like site for audio files, expanded to include video too as Splotbox.

## Try It

<http://splot.ca/box/>

## Selected Examples

- **Podcast 1-2-3** Audio workshop using TRU Sounder
- **TRU Sounder Demo**

## See Also...

- **TRU Sounder Info** (splot.ca)

- **SPLOTbox Info** ([splot.ca](http://splot.ca))
- **Blog posts about TRU Sounder** ([cogdogblog.com](http://cogdogblog.com))
- **Blog posts about SPLOTbox** ([cogdogblog.com](http://cogdogblog.com))
- **Get the TRU Sounder Theme** ([GitHub](#))
- **Get the SPLOTbox Theme** ([GitHub](#))

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The slide features a dark background with a faint spiderweb pattern. At the top, the title "DOING IT WEB STYLE" is written in a large, bold, yellow-green font. Below the title, a subtitle in a smaller green font reads "Not just 'on' the web, but 'of' the web". A dark horizontal bar contains the text "Part of the ISS Institute Tour" in white. Below this bar, the presenter's name "Alan Levine" is followed by social media handles "@cogdog" and "cog.dog", and the date and location "November, 2017 • Victoria, Australia". A URL "http://cog.dog/roo" is centered below. A paragraph of text follows, discussing semantic nitpicking and nostalgia for early web design. At the bottom, a dark green button with the word "Start" in white is centered.

**DOING IT WEB STYLE**

Not just "on" the web, but "of" the web

Part of the ISS Institute Tour

Alan Levine • @cogdog • cog.dog  
November, 2017 • Victoria, Australia

<http://cog.dog/roo>

*There are lots of things that are "on" the web (doh) but let me ask if you think of the things you do as being "of" the web. Bear with this perhaps semantic nitpicking or old fogey wishing for the good ole days of the simple times when it was the wild web west. I remember dreaming in HTML.*

— me, <http://cogdogblog.com/2011/08/being-of-the-web/>

Start

## SPLITpoint

## Try It

(remember you are looking at one now!)

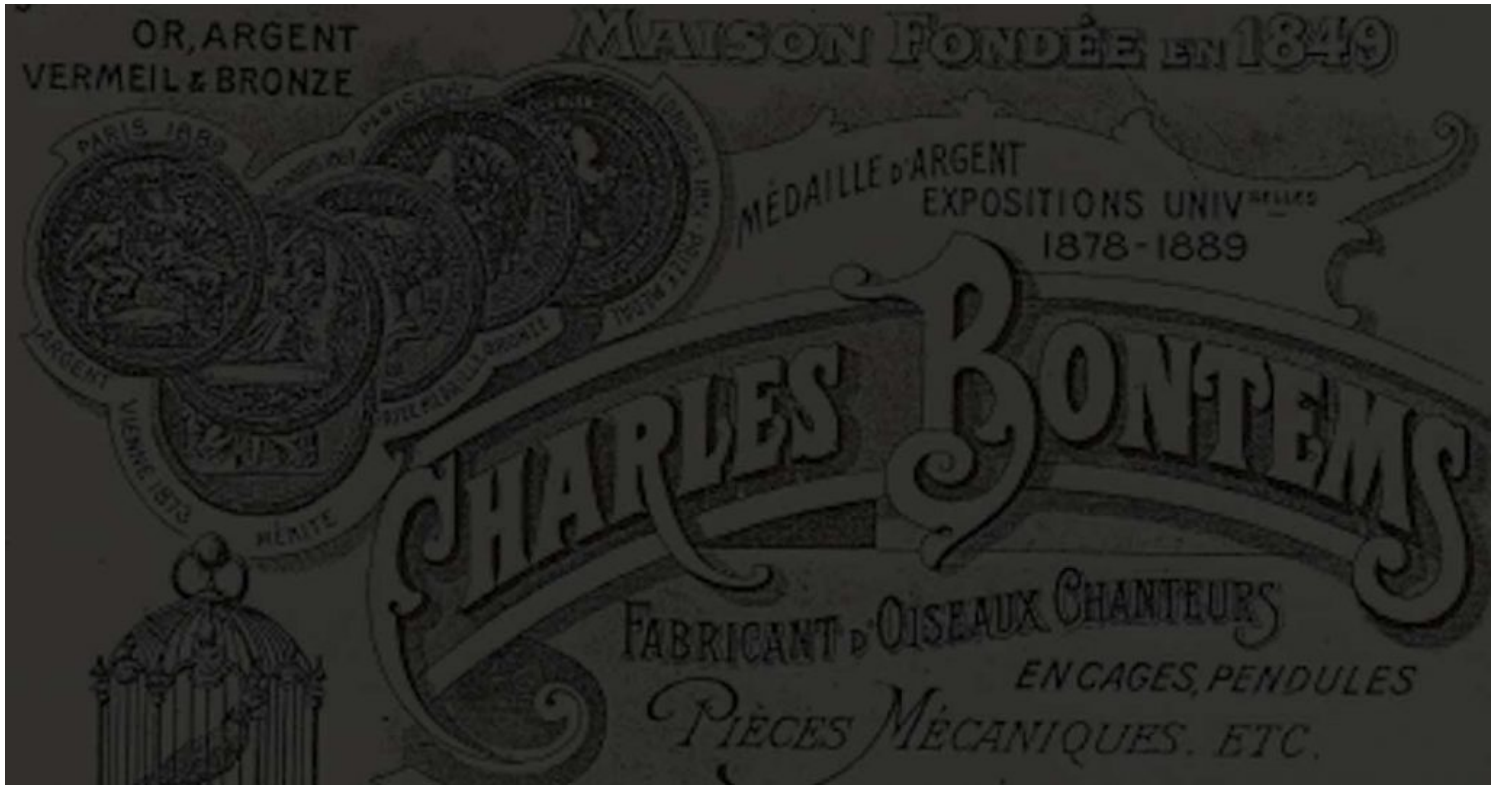
## Selected Examples

- **SPLIT The OER Tools** – JR Dingwall, University of Saskatchewan

- The **NetNarr GIF Reader** – Alan Levine, Networked Narratives Class, Feb 2018
- **Picture This: Finding, Taking, and Using Photographs** – Alan Levine, Ontario Extend Summer Institute, August, 2017
- **What is Exciting? (according to Alan, YMMV)** – Alan Levine, ISS Institute Tour, Australia Nov 2017
- **Wikipedia Basics** University of Edinburgh
- **Mozfest17 Wikipedia Games** – Anne-Marie Scott, University of Edinburgh, October 2017
- **more...**

## See Also...

- **SPLITWriter Info** (splot.ca)
- **Blog posts about TRU Writer** (cogdogblog.com)
- **Get the TRU Writer Theme** (GitHub)



## Domain Calling Card Themes

**Establish a front gate for a domain**

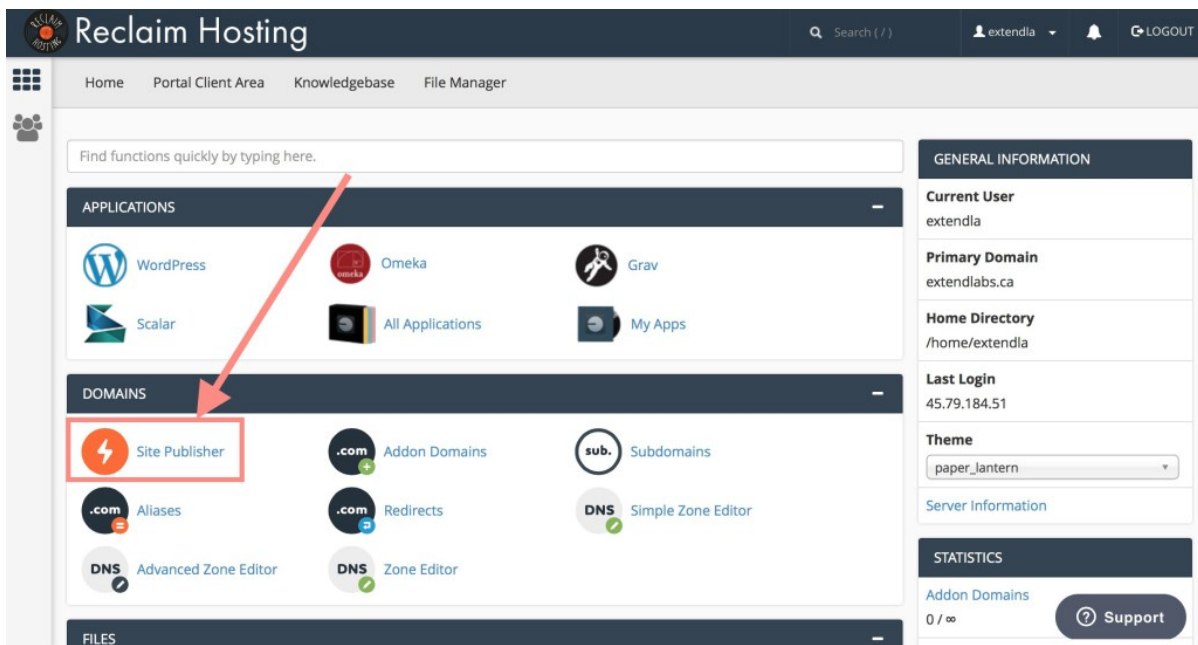


Composite image made using [Pixabay gate image](#) by [kabaldesch0](#) shared into Public Domain using [Pixabay license](#) and [Walker's view-spring meadow, stone, clouds, horizon-West Field.jpg](#) Wikimedia Commons photo by [Alethe](#) shared under a [Creative Commons BY-SA license](#)

- [Expanding Your Domain with Subdomains](#) (Ontario Extend)

## Start With cPanel Site Publisher



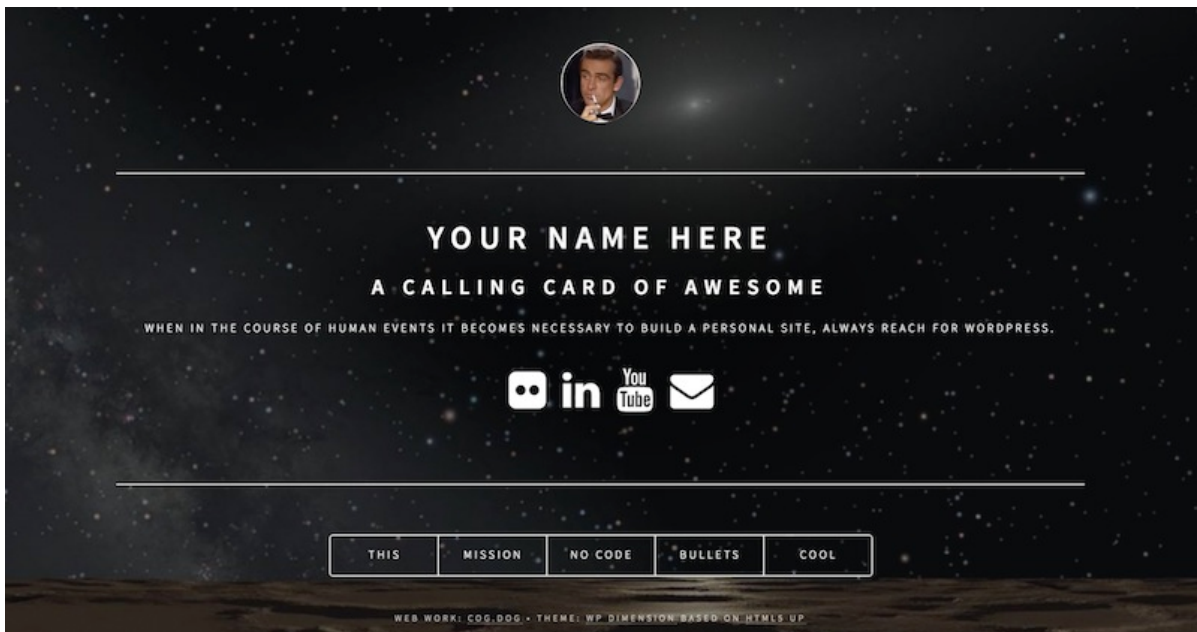


*And most people will find these very limiting, consider it a placeholder...*

- **Quick Publishing a Calling Card** (Ontario Extend)
- **A Quick Calling Card** (Connected Courses in State U)

## WordPress Calling Card Themes

Based in **HTML5 Up Templates...**

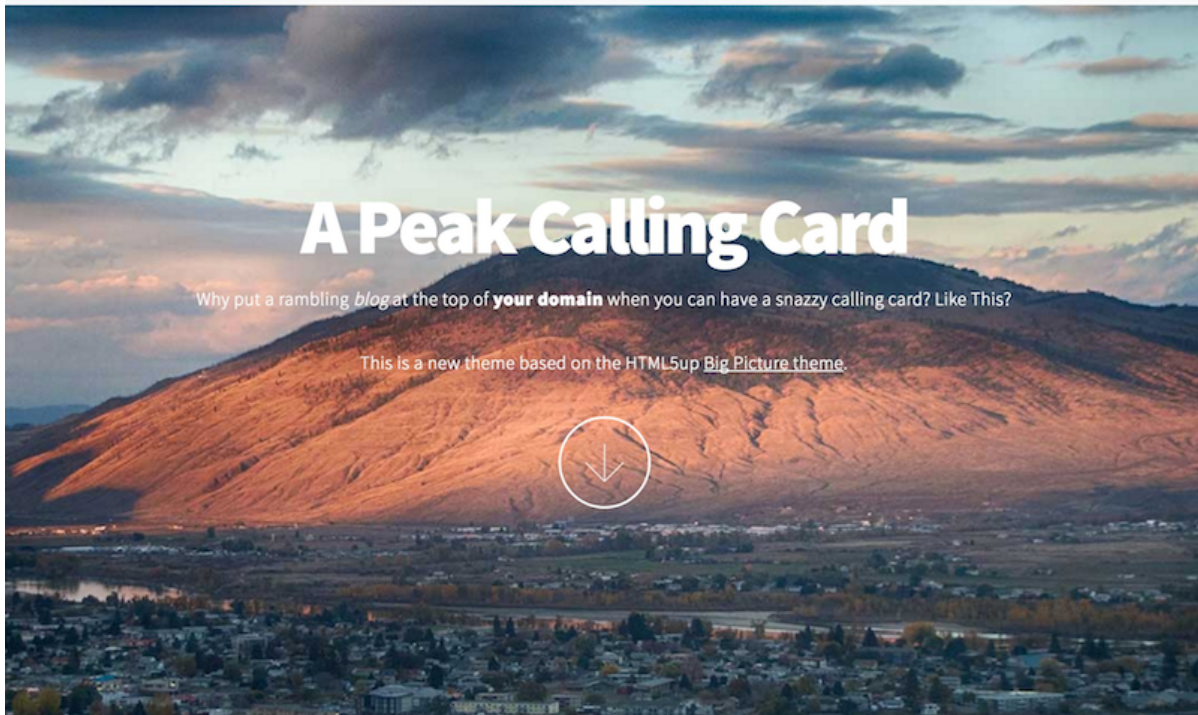


WP-Dimension

<https://github.com/cogdog/wp-dimension>

## Examples

- Mariana Funes <http://marianafun.es/>
- Laura Killam <http://nursekillam.com/>
- Kim Jaxon <http://www.kimjaxon.com/me/>
- Simon Thompson <http://about.digis.im/>

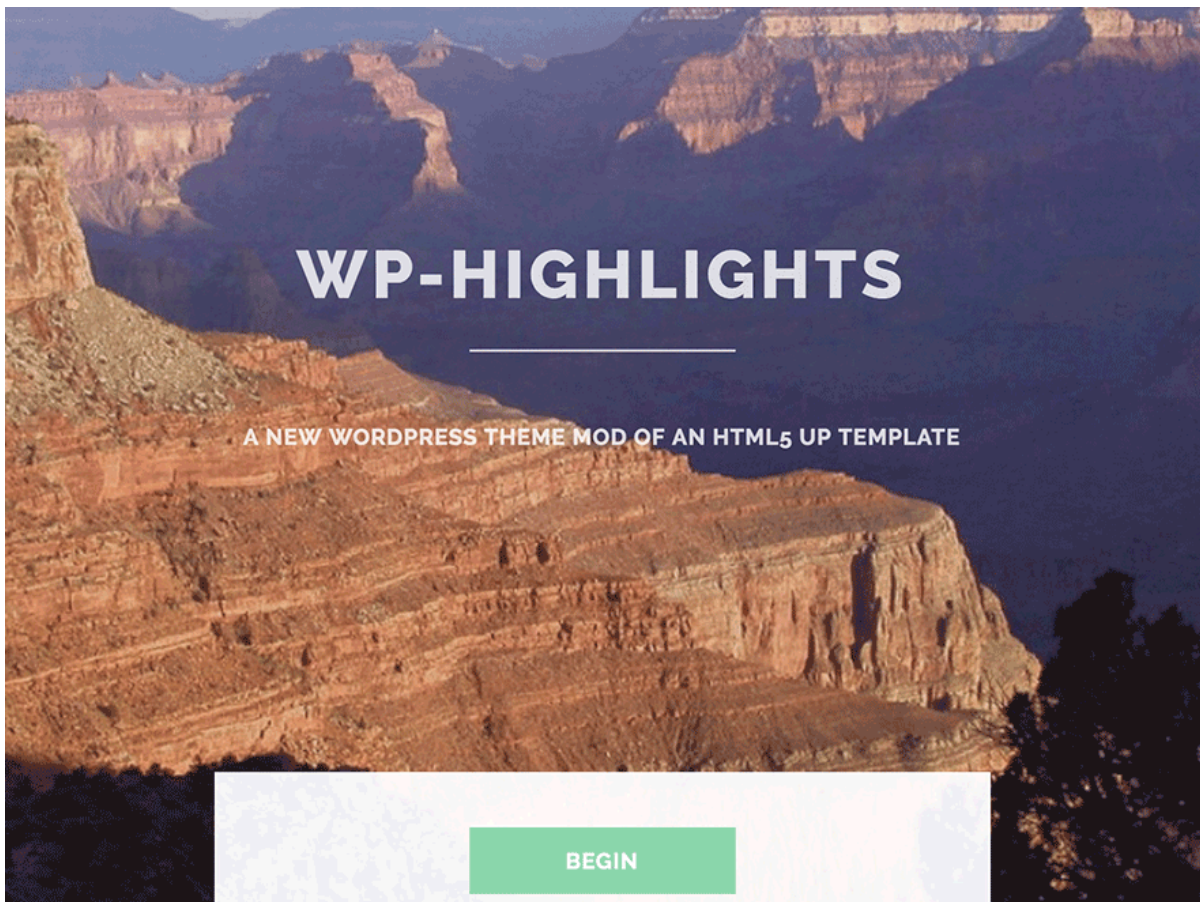


WP-Bigpicture

<https://github.com/cogdog/wp-bigpicture>

## Examples

- Aaron Davis <http://home.readwriterespond.com/>
- Affordances of [silly] Digital Media (workshop)  
<https://cog.dog/roo/silly/>
- Demo version  
<http://lab.cogdogblog.com/bigpicture/>
- JustLego101 <http://justlego101.com/>
- Laura Killam Dossier  
<http://dossier.nursekillam.com/>



WP-Highlights

<https://github.com/cogdog/wp-highlights>

## Examples

- Demo version  
<http://lab.cogdogblog.com/highlights/>
- Recommended APA Resources  
<http://apa.nursekillam.com/>

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Featured Image: **Charles Bontems (1890) calling card** public domain image in Wikimedia Commons “A label of the defunct company Bontems.”

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**Dilemma: Bake Sites From Scratch or Just Add Water?**

**From Scratch**

**Download From GitHub, manual uninstall on a new WordPress site**

- SPLOTS
  - TRU Writer  
<https://github.com/cogdog/truwriter>
  - TRU Collector <https://github.com/cogdog/tru-collector>
  - SPLOTpoint  
<https://github.com/cogdog/splotpoint>
  - SPLOTbox <https://github.com/cogdog/splotbox>
- Calling Card Themes
  - WP Highlights <https://github.com/cogdog/wp-highlights>
  - WP Dimension <https://github.com/cogdog/wp-dimension>
  - WP Big Picture <https://github.com/cogdog/wp-bigpicture>
- DS106 Template Themes
  - Assignment Bank  
<https://github.com/cogdog/ds106bank>
  - Daily Blank  
<https://github.com/cogdog/dailyblank>

# Installatron on Domain of One's Own / StateU

## Options when Installing WordPress

**Version**

Select the version of WordPress to install.

**Version**  
4.9.4 (recommended)

**Language**  
English

**Content**

- Give me a clean WordPress install (I'll add my own content!)
- Connected Course Hub
- The Daily Blank
- Big Picture Calling Card
- New Dimension Calling Card
- SPLOT Writer
- DS106 Assignment Bank
- Image Pool  
A place to easily share/collect images
- SploTPoint
- SPLOTbox
- Highlights Calling Card

Available on [stateu.org](http://stateu.org)

## Demos for State U Installatron

- Connected Course Hub (“The Hub of Hubs”)  
<http://connectedcourses.stateu.org/demo/hub/>
- Daily Blank (“The Daily Shnizzle”)  
<http://connectedcourses.stateu.org/demo/daily/>
- WP Big Picture (“A Peak Calling Card”)  
<http://lab.cogdogblog.com/bigpicture/>
- New Dimension (“Hi Hi Me”)  
<http://connectedcourses.stateu.org/demo/silver/>
- SPLOT Writer  
<http://connectedcourses.stateu.org/demo/story-making/>
- Assignment Bank (“A Bank of Things”)  
<http://connectedcourses.stateu.org/demo/bank/>
- Image Pool (“Visual Metaphors”)  
<http://connectedcourses.stateu.org/demo/metaphors/>



- SPLOTpoint (“The Good, The Bad, and The Powerpoint”)  
<http://connectedcourses.stateu.org/demo/good-bad/>
- SPLOTbox (demo) <http://splot.ca/box/>
- WP Highlights (demo)  
<http://lab.cogdogblog.com/highlights/>

## Packaged Kit / Instant SPLOT

Using the [All-in-One WP Migration](#) plugin

<https://github.com/cogdog/instant-splot>

[Coventry University WordPress Templates](#)

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**Do SPLLOTs Require WordPress?**

**No**

**Bigify It (GitHub)**

**Tiny Targeted Tools (Tom Woodward)**

**Let's Get Small: SPLOTTING the Future  
(Jim Groom)**

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