

Textplates '07

COMPETITOR INFORMATION KIT

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2. A sample submission: "Serene", the winning submission from last year's competition.

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Rubric

- **Layout** - Based on the judges' determination of the novelty of the layout *(30 points)*
- **Design** - The overall look including graphics and styles *(20 points)*
- **Code** - Is the code valid XHTML 1.0 Transitional or Strict, and is the CSS valid? Is the code structurally semantic? *(10 points)*
- **Features** - Are there any additional and useful features? *(10 points)*
- **Ease of Use** - How easily customizable is the template? How thorough is the documentation? *(10 points)*
- **Browser/Platform Support and Accessibility** - The site must render correctly in all modern browsers including Firefox Win/Mac, Internet Explorer 6 and 7, and Safari. The site should also be *usable* in older browsers such as Internet Explorer 5+ Win/Mac and older versions of Netscape. *(20 points)*

The judges will score the submissions based on the criteria listed above. The judges' scores (out of a possible 100 points) will be averaged to give a final template score that will be used to rank the templates.

In the event of a tie among prize-winning rankings, the judges will re-score the affected templates until a ranking is complete.

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Instructions

- All themes must be released under a GPL compatible license (if no license is specified, submitting the template automatically applies this license).
- The templates must be the designer's original work (No ports).
- All templates must be in the correct format with proper documentation similar to the [examples](#).
- All templates must be submitted as zipped archives (.zip extension) with a 125×125 pixel screenshot.
- All submissions must include a link to a live demonstration of the template.
- Send all submissions to tomfadiel@gmail.com and include:
 1. The attached, zipped template (including screenshot)
 2. Path to demo of template
 3. Your Name
 4. Your Homepage (if applicable)
 5. Your Comments
- There is no limit to the number of templates you can submit.
- The template should look good and function properly on all modern browsers.
 1. Firefox (Win/Mac)
 2. Internet Explorer 6 and 7 (Win)
 3. Safari (Mac)
- The deadline for submissions is June 27th, 2007 at 11:59 PM EST.

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Examples

An outline of the required documentation for each template submission:

Introduction

1. Backup Recommendation, etc.
2. Credits

Page Templates

1. Explain location within .zip file
2. How to replace original
3. How to create new templates if necessary

CSS

1. Explain location within .zip file
2. How to replace original
3. How to create and link to new stylesheets if necessary

Forms

1. Explain location within .zip file
2. Explain how the format of each form is included. (For example, “default () article.txt” would contain the code for the “default” form of the type “article”)
3. How to replace original
4. How to create new forms and select types if necessary

Sections

1. How to modify existing sections if necessary
2. How to create new sections if necessary

Images

1. How to add images through the admin interface if necessary
2. How to modify stylesheets or forms to reflect uploaded images

Plugins (if necessary)

1. How to install
2. How to activate
3. Explain any form or template modifications required (For example, changing the if_comment_owner settings)

Other Changes

1. Explain any requirements not outlined here