

WORDPRESS 5.6

For WPNYC MEETUP 2020 HOLIDAY PARTY

CODE IS POETRY

WORDPRESS 5.6
SIMONE





BACKGROUND

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RELEASE Date: December 8, 2020



HOLIDAY PARTY **FUN FACT:**

WORDPRESS VERSIONS ARE
NAMED AFTER JAZZ
MUSICIANS



RELEASE LEAD: JOSEPHA HADEN WITH LEADS AND COHORTS
THAT INCLUDED 40 WOMEN AND NON-BINARY FROM 13 +
COUNTRIES

5.6 had the First all Women Release Team

Australia

Bangladesh

Costa Rica

Ecuador

India

New Zealand

Nigeria

Russia

Sierra Leone

Slovakia

The Netherlands

United Kingdom

United States

Zimbabwe

Slovakia

CONTRIBUTIONS

605 generous
volunteer
contributors. Nearly
350 tickets on Trac.
1,000 pull requests
on GitHub.



HIGHLIGHTS

FIELD GUIDE

What is it about?

Finalized developer notes published during the release cycle

Written by component maintainers

5.6 Notable Note: Core major versions auto-updates UI changes allows website administrators to opt-in to major version automatic updates (**hotly debated**)

5.6 REST API: Applications can request and revoke credentials

5.6 Central Subject: Accessibility on our minds

5.6 2021 DEFAULT THEME: Pastel colors

FIELD GUIDE

But Wait, There is More!

NEW VERSION of Twitter Emoji

UPDATE OF EXTERNAL LIBRARIES
for react version to match latest
versions of Gutenberg

SITE HEALTH Added better
handling of unexpected values
and a test to verify the
authorization header works as
expected for Application
Passwords



WHERE MAGIC
HAPPENS

#TWITTER

CALL TO ACTION

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#core

Making WordPress

wordpress.slack.com

Resister @ <https://make.wordpress.org/chat/>

Support @ <https://wordpress.org/support/>



**FINAL
THOUGHTS**

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5.6 Core Lead Helen Hou-Sandí:
1 M downloads within 6 hours



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