

Account Creation Page Functionality Guide

Summary:

Account creation is the page after you enter in your “sign up” information on the login page. After you type in the captcha and hit “SIGN UP” you are then taken to step 1 of the account creation page.

Here, the user will be asked to fill in some information concerning their main interests, their personal details, upload a profile photo, and find some friends. Once that is done, they are taken to their main profile where they can see their inputted information in their new profile and begin the “What’s Your Thing?” (WYT) experience.

In this document, I’ll break down the setup page by page and explain the different components.

I’ll also attach the jpegs in the zip file with this document so you can see them in better detail.

Set Components:

Set components are the sections in the screen that remain relatively the same throughout each step. I’ll explain them now as a whole so I don’t have to explain them individually in each Step below. In the setup phases, there are four set components:

1. Header:
 - a. The header will remain the same throughout each step. It will contain the site logo and faded information that is inactive such as “profile” “daily SRS” and “inbox”. There will be a logout button on the right side that will be completely active. If the user clicks the Logout button at anytime during the set up, it will save the information on the current step they are on, and log them out. They will be taken to the login page. Once they log back in, they will be on the same step as they were before.
2. Profile Setup Progress Bar:
 - a. This set component is the most complex out of the four set components. It will contain five sections:
 - i. Step 1 – “Your main interests”
 - ii. Step 2 – “Interest details”
 - iii. Step 3 – “Your info”
 - iv. Step 4 – “Profile pictures”
 - v. Step 5 – “Find friends”

- b. When the user is on a step, the section associated with it will be filled with a colour, underneath it, it will say “in progress”. After the user completes the step, the completed section colour will change to green and say “complete”.
 3. Tips panel:
 - a. The tips panel will sit underneath the progress bar to the right, it will contain tips and hints on the set up process in small, easy to read sentences. In each step, I will write out what the tips should say.
 4. Footer:
 - a. The footer will remain the same throughout the entire set up process. It will only contain the site logo/name on the left. Normally it will contain “about”, “contact”, “terms of use”, “privacy policy”, and “help”, but for the set up process, we don’t want any links to interrupt the process, so we will disable them during this time.

Step 1: What’s your thing?

whatsyourthing

profile setup progress (1 of 5)

your main interests | interest details | your info | profile pictures | find friends

your main interests
in progress...

step 1 - what's your thing?

everybody has something (or a few things) that defines them, so let's get started!

in the box below, enter your main interest.
got more than one? no problem! you can get a start by adding up to three primary interests

main interest 1 remove

examples of popular interests:

- Culinary Art (800 users)
- Blu-Rays (22,000 users)
- Guitar (55,203 users)
- Blowing Shit Up (1 user)
- "Bear Poaching" (be the first to add this interest by clicking on it)

skydiving remove ✓

main interest 7 remove

add another interest

next step

tips

be general when you enter your interests.
...you can go into fine detail later.
Being general will ensure you connect with a broader range of users.

for example:

- if you like "first person shooter video games", just type "video games"
- if you like "collecting vintage records", just type "vintage records"

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On this step, the user will enter their main interest(s). Under the header, it will have a description of the step and a bit of a blurb on the main point of the site. This paragraph will read:

“INSERT BLURB HERE”

They will also be presented with a button at the bottom right of the panel that says “next step”. Note that on all steps, the user can click on “next step” at anytime and proceed to the next step. They are not required to type in anything during the entire set up.

Under the blurb, they will be presented with a text box that says “main interest 1” inside of it. This is where the user types in their main interest. Once the user clicks inside the text box, the “examples of popular interests” panel will appear. Here it will display the top four interests that users across our network have added to their profile. Next to each interest, it will display the number of users associated with that interest in brackets. The panel will also say “see more” in the footer (center justified like original picture in the first S3 I sent you). When the user clicks on “see more”, the four interests will change to the next highest four.

Once the user begins typing their interest, the panel will update to show the top interests associated with the text input. Example, if the user types in “The”, it will display the top interests that have “THE” in them, such as “theatre” or “The Situation from Jersey Shore”. If the user sees their interest in the panel below, they may click on it to solidify that as their choice. They may also simply hit enter. If they do not see their interest in the panel below, it will say “add (interest)(be the first to add this interest by clicking here)” in the area where it said “see more”. They may click there to add that interest, or again, they may simply hit enter and if it does not match any interest in our database, it will be added automatically (This should only save once the user hits “next step”, we don’t want people adding things to our database, then changing their mind, just in case they misspell something). This panel will also need a highlight state for when the user highlights an interest in the panel.

Question: what happens if one user adds “Theatre” and another adds “theatre”? (notice uppercase). Can we count them all as being in the same network?

After the user enters their main interest, a check mark appears to the right of the text box and a button below it will appear and say “add another interest”. If the user clicks on that, the “main interest 1” box appears again but now says “main interest 2”. The user can now repeat the process. The user can add up to three main interests in this page.

The user will be able to “remove” the last two interests but they will not be able to remove the first interest. (note: there is no “remove” option next to main interest 1 as seen in the mockup)

Tips: **INSERT WHAT TIPS WILL SAY HERE**

Step 2 – Interest Details

The screenshot shows the 'whatsyourthing' profile setup progress screen, step 2 - interest details. The progress bar at the top indicates that 'your main interests' are complete, 'interest details' are in progress, and 'your info', 'profile pictures', and 'find friends' are yet to be completed. The main content area is titled 'step 2 - interest details' and includes a header 'here is your chance to write a little bit about your interests'. Below this, there are two text boxes for 'Theatre' and 'Dancing'. The 'Theatre' box contains a sample text: 'This is me in my element. I have been in about 40+ shows since I was in grade 11. I've always been a bit of an odd ball and being on stage let's me make an ass out of myself and then force people to clap when I'm done. I live for acting. I know lots about it and love everything about it. My favorite musical is Les Miserables, my dream role is Eponine, and I pride myself on my musical knowledge. This is me in my element. I have been in about 40+ shows since I was in grade 11.' The 'Dancing' box is empty and has a placeholder text: 'type any details about dancing that you want to include here, the text zone will expand as you type'. To the right of the text boxes, there is a 'tips' section with the following text: 'be brief and concise ...people will more likely read your thoughts if you include the most interesting facts only. your blurbs should give them a taste of your personality and give them incentive to get in touch with you!'. At the bottom of the main content area, there are 'back' and 'next step' buttons. The background of the page features a collage of interest categories: AFFECTION & PROGRAMMING, MATHEMATICS, SCIENCE-FICTION, FASHION & MUSIC, TRAVEL & LAW & THEATRE, DANCE & VIDEO GAMES, and PHOTOGRAPHY.

In this panel, it will still say Next step at the bottom but also have a back button that returns the user to the previous step. There will be a header that reads “step 2 - interest details”, one or two lines describing what to do on this step, and beneath that it will have the “interests” that you typed in above a text box.

The first text box will be a fixed size where the user can fill it up with a description on why they chose that as their main interest. Once they hit the end of the text box, they may not type anymore. At the bottom right of the text box, it will display the “max character length” and count down the characters remaining that the user may enter. As soon as the user enters one character into the box, a green checkmark will appear to the right.

The second text box (under the second interest entered) will only be 1 line long. As soon as the user clicks in that, the text box will resize to the full length. The max character value will be displayed at the bottom right as well. This functionality is the same for the third interest the user adds.

Tips: **INSERT WHAT TIPS WILL SAY HERE**

When the user hits “next step”, they are taken to “step 3 – your info”.

Step 3 – Your Info

whatsyourthing

profile setup progress (3 of 5)

your main interests complete ✓ interest details complete ✓ your info in progress... profile pictures find friends

step 3 - your info

these will go in your profile bio

location

school grad dropdown

profession

show birthday (03/16/1978) ✓

relationship status dropdown

custom category * - custom info remove

Sign * - Ophiuchus remove ✓

add another custom category

these will go in your contact info

public e-mail address

phone

website

twitter

facebook

skype * - bobaDaFett remove ✓

custom category * - custom info remove

add another custom category

back next step

tips

add as much as you want to share ... by clicking on the "add custom field" buttons, you can add more fields to appear on your profile page.

you can even select a custom icon to illustrate that category by clicking on the button with the star!

any fields that you leave blank will not appear in your profile at all, but if you choose to add a custom category, you must also fill out an item with to go with it.

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On step three, the user will enter their more personal information in two major sections, bio and contact:

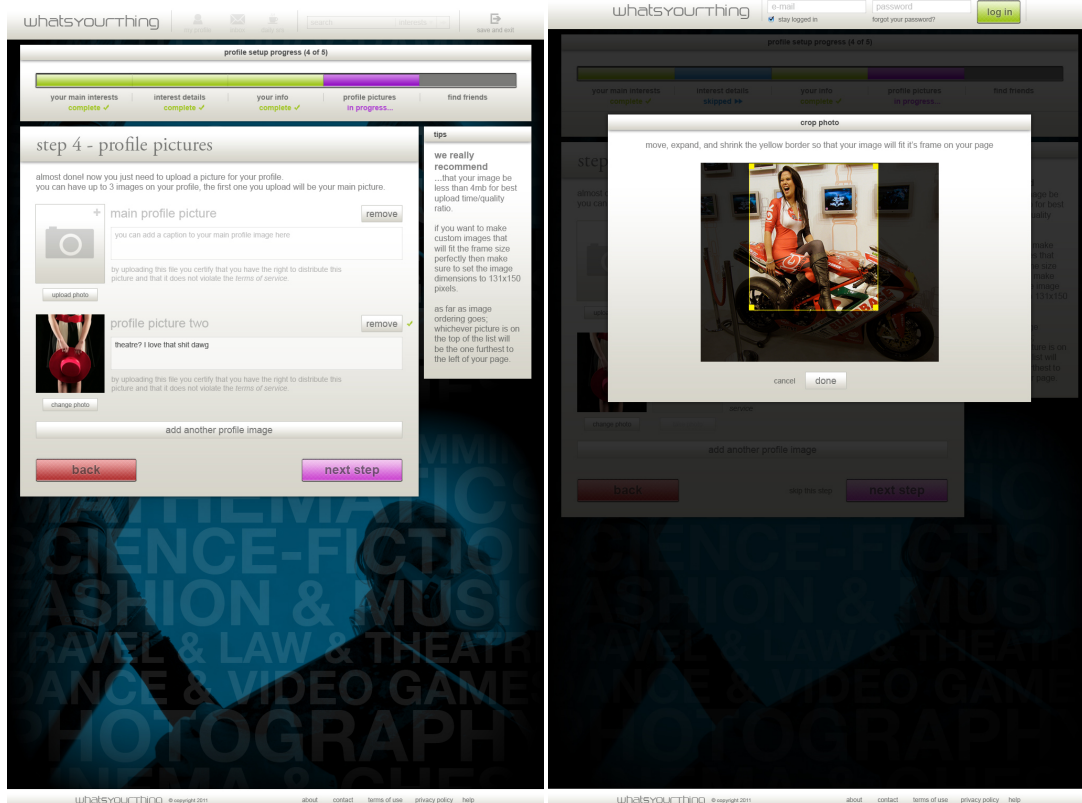
- **Bio:** Bio will consist of text boxes and drop boxes. Each box will contain the title of the category in faded letters. All text boxes will have the same functionality as the panel in the “main interest” section (refer to step 1). Once the user enters their current location, a green check mark appears on the right. The categories are:
 - o Location (text box)
 - o School (text box)
 - o Profession (text box)
 - o Relationship status (dropdown): categories in the dropdown are:
 - INSERT CATEGORIES HERE
 - o Show birthday: (checkbox): checking the check box will have the user's birthday show up in their profile.
 - o Custom category (textbox): these work differently than the others, they allow the user to put in a category and the information. They may also select a custom icon to go with the category. The user may click

on “add another custom category” to add another if they wish. Again, categories added to the custom category section will function the same as the other popular interest panels.

- **Contact:** contact will allow the user to put in their contact information. Unlike bio and other text boxes throughout the setup, these will now have the drop down panels of popular searches (unless otherwise specified). The categories are:
 - Email address
 - Phone
 - Website
 - Custom categories: these custom categories function the exact same as the custom categories in bio. The user may add another custom contact category by clicking on the button below.

When the user is done, clicking on “next step” will save all the text input and take the user to “step 4 – profile pictures”.

Step 4: Profile Pictures



Step 4, this is where the user will load up their profile pictures. Under the header, it will have a line or two of description that will read:

“INSERT DESCRIPTION HERE”

Under the description, the user will see a big icon with a camera on it, a button that say “upload photo” a place to add a description, and the blurb about the terms and services.

The user will be able to add in a description for the photo in the description box, if the user clicks on “upload photo” they are prompted with the “find file” pane from their OS. After they select a photo, they are prompted with the “resize” panel.

Resize panel: Here the uploaded photo will need to be resized to fit the aspect ratio of the profile images. The user must drag the yellow box and scale it to fit their photo. Once they are done with that, they may hit “done”. This photo will now appear overtop of the “camera icon” mentioned above. There is also one line of description above the photo that reads:

“INSERT DESCRIPTION HERE”

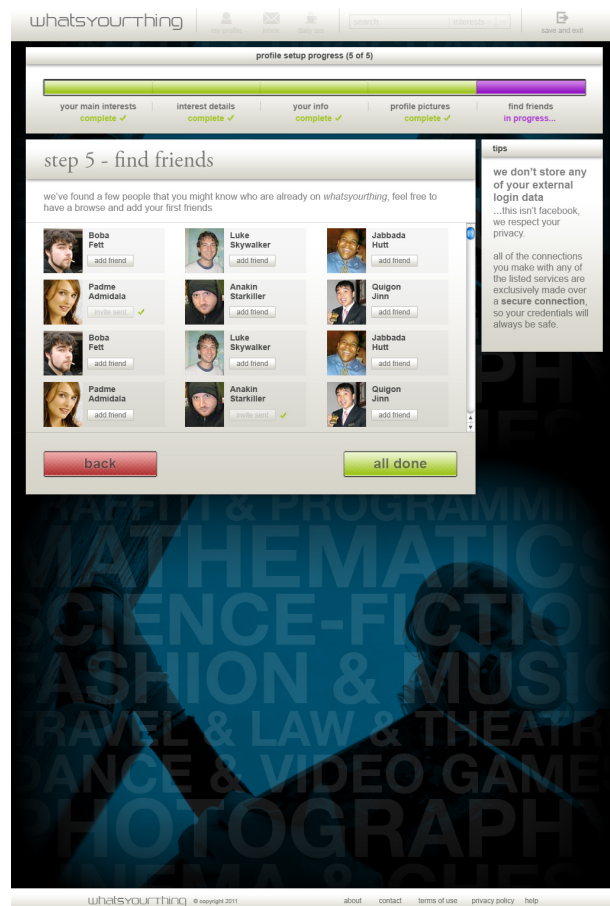
The user may also cancel the action and return to the profile pictures view (not the upload photo panel).

Once the user uploads a photo, a button will appear underneath the photo uploading area that reads “add another profile image”. Under that button in brackets it says “(you can have up to three!)”. If the user clicks on this button, the same photo uploading component will load and the button will disappear. Once the user uploads their second photo, the button appears again. The button does not appear after they load their third image.

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“Back” takes the user back to step 3, “next step” takes them to step 5.

Step 5: Find Friends



This is the last step in the profile setup. It will have one or two lines of description that read:

“INSERT DESCRIPTION HERE”

Under that, it will show you all of your current friend suggestions. For the release, we are just going to show the user other users from the same school (SFU or UBC) that currently have a profile. They may click on “add friend” which will then send a friend an invite to that person. The “add friend” button will then change to read “invite sent” and a green checkmark will appear next to the button. When the user is done adding friends, they may hit ALL DONE. “ALL DONE” will then take the user to view their main profile, defaulting to their main interest page.

When we reach the second stage of the find friends, I will write up another functionality document with the new images.

Tips: **INSERT WHAT TIPS WILL SAY HERE**

General question: Later, after the tips have all been written up properly, if we feel that they do not stand out enough, or users just aren't reading them, how hard would it be to move the tips panel to the left of the main panel?