DocumentationAJDE Event Calendar - WordPress Plugin

Introduction:

Thank you for purchasing this plugin and I hope you this will come in handy for your need. If you come across any issues please feel free to leave a comment on envato website and I will do my best to get back to you. Follow me on twitter @ashanjay to stay in tune for the next release of the plugin update as I am planning to improve this plugin and add new features in the future.

Installation

Couple of ways to install the plugin.

- 1. download the zip file and in WordPress (WP) go to **Plugins> Add New > Upload** and select file and install plugin.
- 2. Unzip the content of the zip file to wp-content/plugins directory and then on WP back-end "activate" the plugin.

Once the plugin is activated

Go to Plugins> Installed plugins and you should be able to see "AJDE EvCal" plugin installed.

You can access the settings for plugin from this page or Settings> EvCal Settings

EvCal Settings

In the Event Calendar settings page you can find the code you need to add to either your post or template to add calendar to your website front-end.

Important NOTE:

- VERSION 1.5 update: Once you update to new version it is VERY IMPORTANT to go to each event and press "Update" to save the event data again. Because new variables have been introduced for events that help load calendar data faster on front-end. Also note, from now on event description will load from Default WordPress text editor. If you have an event description stores in previous versions, that will still show up until you replace that with a new event description written in default text editor.
- When you install this plugin it will create a custom post type called Events with slug "ajde events"
- Events created via this plugin uses a post slug of "events" and if you choose to place the event calendar in a page with a url like www.ashanjay.com/events the calendar will not work. So please make a page with url like www.ashanjay.com/events-directory for the calendar plugin front-end to work on events achieve type pages.
- In order for the event calendar to properly work on front-end make sure to include wp_header()
- Google maps uses the javascript driven gmap API V3 setup and will only work for proper addresses



FAQ

How do I add multiple calendars?

Explicit instructions on how to do this is on Settings page under "Adding event calendar to site" tab. Please refer to that.

How to add calendar to theme?

on Settings> EvCal Settings > Adding Event Calendar to site you can find the codes and tags you need to paste for whichever way you want to add the calendar to front end.

IMPORTANT: Only one calendar **should** be added to a single page, or else the calendar AJAX queries will not function properly.

How do I connect eventbrite with this plugin?

As an added feature, this event calendar plugin allows you to connect your eventbrite events to existing events created via this plugin.

Steps:

- 1. Login or create an eventbrite account at eventbrite.com (it is free to create an account with eventbrite)
- 2. Go to https://www.eventbrite.com/api/key/ and create an API key
- 3. In your website go to EvCal Settings page and paste this API key
- 4. Enable EventBrite data fetching, in order to show eventbrite fields for each event
- 5. Now go to "My Events" tab and create a event in eventbrite where you can add event ticket price and event capacity ("Create a Ticket" will give you the ability to add ticket price and capacity).
- 6. Save changes and copy the event ID. (which can be found by going to "my events" in eventbrite and click "view" the event item. In the new window open, event ID is the last digits in the URL.
- 7. Go back to your website WP back-end "Events> *your-event*" (Or create a new event under Events) Under "Event Settings" you will see where you can paste the eventbrite event ID to accept payments for this event via eventbrite.

Why doesn't eventbrite information about the event show under event?

Make sure you have the correct API key and the correct eventbrite event ID entered into correct event on your website under "Events". If these IDs are incorrect, that can cause an error in which case the front-end calendar will not show any of the eventbrite information.

Another reason could be that your eventbrite event is expired. The plugin checks to make sure the eventbrite event is indeed a future or current event.

How do I change the color of the event date?

Settings> EvCal Settings > Styles in there you will see a field where you can enter a HEX color code without "#" to override the default color.

How do I add events to calendar?

Once the plugin is installed properly, you should see a new menu appear on left side bar called "**Events**" under that you can add new events.

How are the events ordered by default?

By default events are ordered based on event start date.



How do you add custom language text?

Go to Settings > EvCal Settings > Language you will find fields where you can enter custom text to replace default English language text.

How can I use the event post meta data to create my own calendar layout?

You can you query_posts to get event posts just like a regular custom post type.

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(post_type=ajde_events)
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These are the custom field names for each event data per event post.

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evcal_description - event description
evcal_start_date - event start date
evcal_end_date - event end date
evcal_start_time_hour - event start time (hour)
evcal_start_time_min - event start time (minute)
evcal_st_ampm - event start time (AM/PM)
evcal_end_time_hour - event end time (hour)
evcal_end_time_min - event end time (minute)
evcal_et_ampm - event end time (AM/PM)
evcal_location - event location
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If you are using event featured image you can use below code to get the image.

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<? the_post_thumbnail($size)?>
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Example: (how to get these data for front-end; inside loop)
<? echo get post meta($post->ID, 'evcal start date', true);?>
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How can I create a template page for single event in my theme?

Because this plugin uses WP native custom post types to create events you can use a template page with a file name "single-ajde events.php" to be used for single event page.

Why doesn't the google map not work?

Google maps API uses geocoding API to convert the address for event into a longitude and latitude and if the address you enter could not be found in google it will not show the map.

Also there are usage limitation to the google map API http://code.google.com/apis/maps/documentation/geocoding/#Limits

Other Questions and comments

Please feel free to leave your questions on envato page and I will try my best to get back to you as soon as I can.

Note from author:

Once again thank you very much for purchasing this plugin. This plugin was custom build from scratch with best code practices for better optimization. If you have any questions regarding the customization or any issue related to this program please feel free to drop me a message from envato.



Also if you have an ideas or thoughts to improve this plugin, I would love to hear your thoughts! I am currently available for freelance work on the areas of WordPress web development. Please free to contact me at www.ashanjay.com

Enjoy!

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