

Updating an Episode's Description on Wordpress

Why update episode titles and descriptions?

Titling the episodes is useful for several reasons.

- For one, it's easier when going back through your archives to find a specific show you might be looking for.
- Titling episodes also makes the website experience more engaging for visitors. As opposed to having a bunch of episodes where the title is simply the name of the show followed by the date, people can actually get an idea of what is covered on each episode.

*Note that even though you might change the title to NOT include the date, dates do show up in the archives page.

An episode **description** goes a step further, giving a listener a more detailed description of what the episode is about. Both titles and episode descriptions appear in your program's archives page visible to website visitors.

Below is an example of a show's archive page with episode titles and descriptions versus another without.

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The Founder of Modern Gynecology & The Enslaved Woman He Experimented On

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07.13.23 - 10:00AM Guest: J. C. Hallman is the author of several books including his latest, *Say Anarcha: A Young Woman, a Devious Surgeon, and the Harrowing Birth of Modern Women's Health*.

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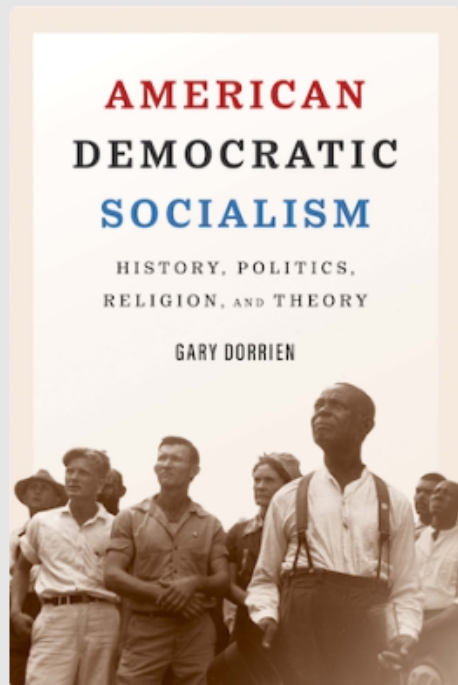
A History of Democratic Socialism in America

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07.12.23 - 10:00AM Guest: Gary Dorrien is the Reinhold Niebuhr Professor of Social Ethics at Union Theological Seminary and professor of religion at Columbia University. His previous books include *The New Abolition*, *Breaking White Supremacy*, *Social Democracy in the Making*, and *American Democratic Socialism*.

Our World As We See It

A weekly talk show produced by Oakland School for the Arts high school broadcast students, Our World As We See It will focus on local and world issues giving a fresh youthful perspective on how to create change.

UPCOMING
EPISODE

07.26.23 - 2:00PM

Our World As We See It – July 26, 2023

OUR WORLD AS WE SEE IT

A weekly talk show produced by Oakland School for the Arts high school broadcast students, Our World As We See It will focus on local and world issues giving a fresh youthful perspective on how to create change.

OUR WORLD AS WE SEE IT

Our World As We See It – July 19, 2023

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07.19.23 - 2:00PM A weekly talk show produced by Oakland School for the Arts high school broadcast students, Our World As We See It will focus on local and world issues giving a fresh youthful perspective on how to create change.

OUR WORLD AS WE SEE IT

Our World As We See It – July 12, 2023

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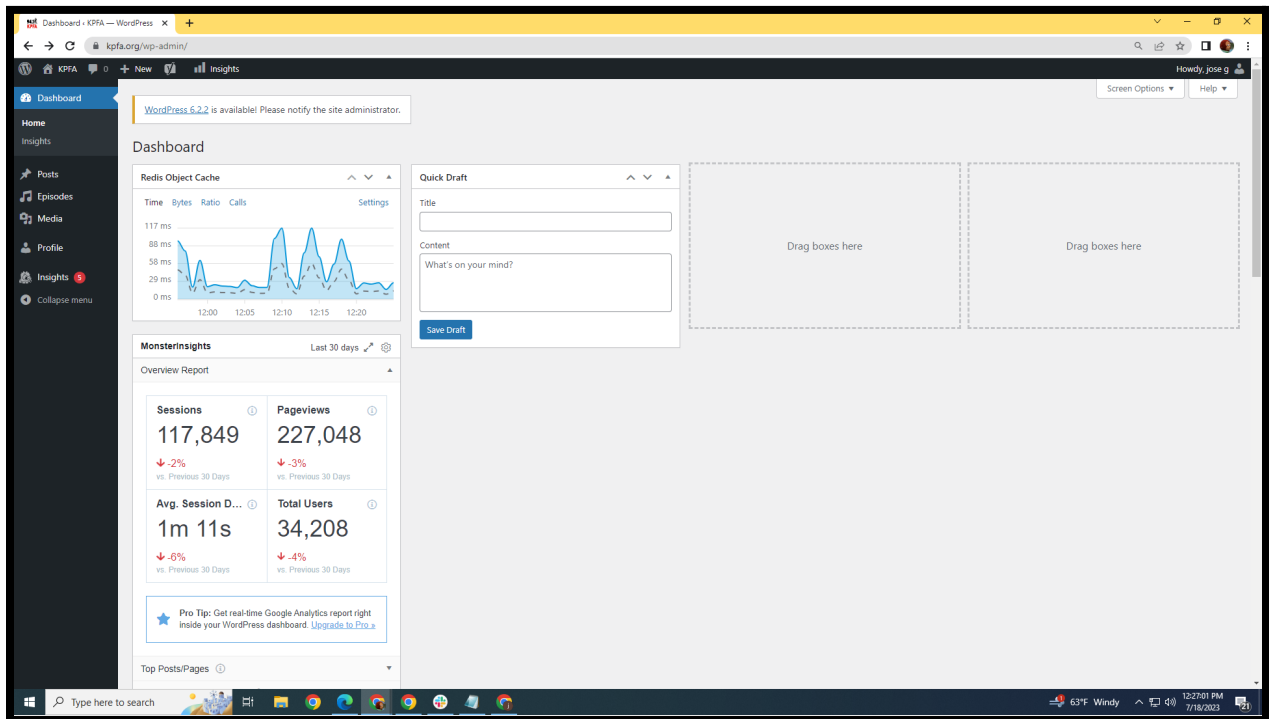
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Step 1: Logging in to Wordpress

- Go to kpfa.org/admin
- Log in using your @kpfa email address

You should see this screen called the Dashboard



The screenshot shows the WordPress dashboard for the KPFA website. The browser address bar displays kpfa.org/wp-admin/. A notification at the top states "WordPress 6.2.2 is available! Please notify the site administrator." The dashboard includes a sidebar with navigation options: Home, Insights, Posts, Episodes, Media, Profile, and Insights (with a red notification icon). The main content area features a "Redis Object Cache" graph showing performance metrics (Time, Bytes, Ratio, Calls) from 12:00 to 12:20. Below this is a "MonsterInsights" overview report for the last 30 days, displaying the following data:

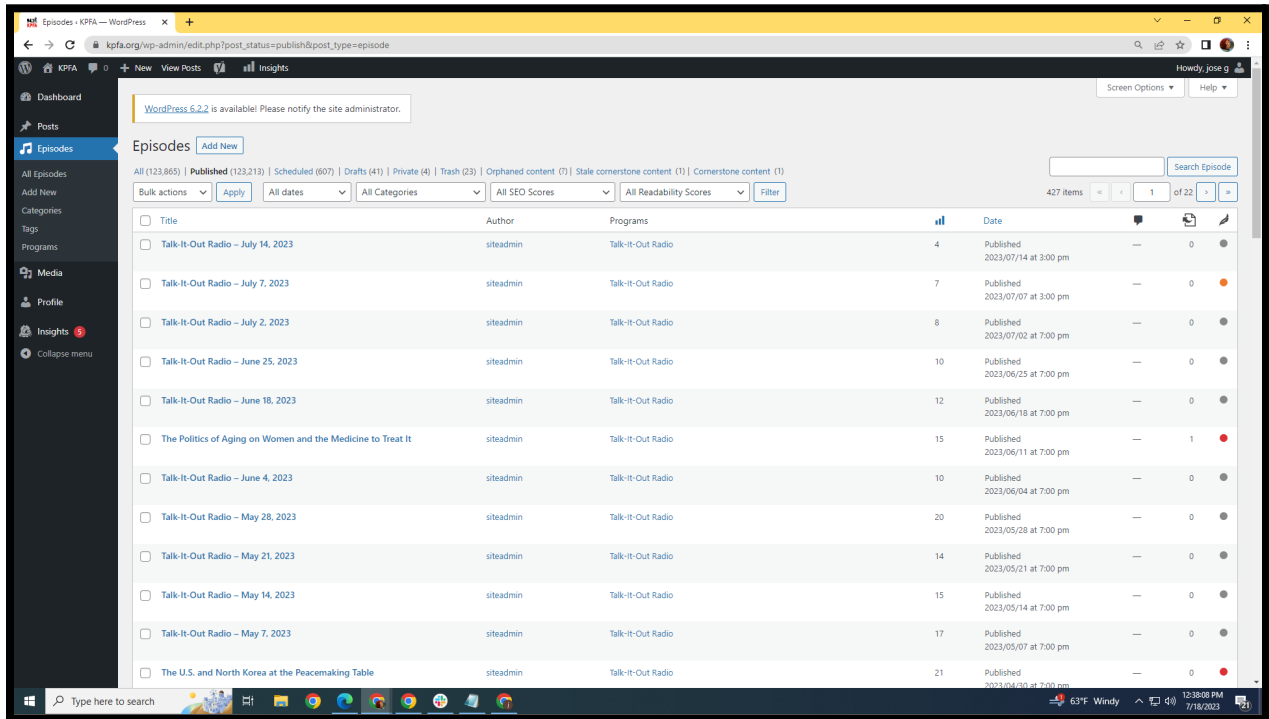
Metric	Value	Change vs. Previous 30 Days
Sessions	117,849	↓ -2%
Pageviews	227,048	↓ -3%
Avg. Session Duration	1m 11s	↓ -5%
Total Users	34,208	↓ -4%

A "Pro Tip" banner suggests upgrading to MonsterInsights Pro for real-time Google Analytics reports. A "Quick Draft" sidebar widget is visible, containing fields for Title and Content, and a "Save Draft" button. Two large dashed boxes labeled "Drag boxes here" are positioned on the right side of the dashboard. The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows the system tray with a temperature of 63°F, wind, and the date/time: 12:27:01 PM 7/18/2023.

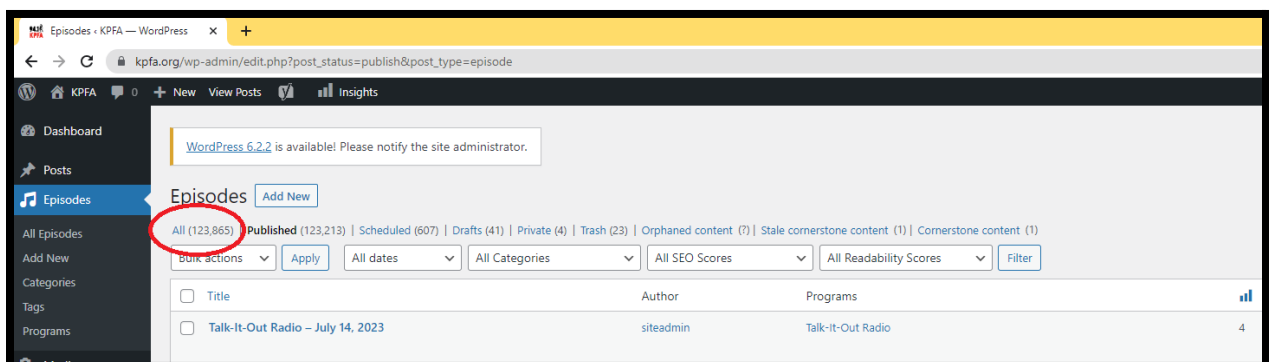
Step 2: Getting to your Episodes

- On the left hand pane, click on “Episodes”

You should see this screen. By default, episodes shown are the “Published” episodes, meaning episodes that have already aired.



- Under “Episodes” click on “All.”



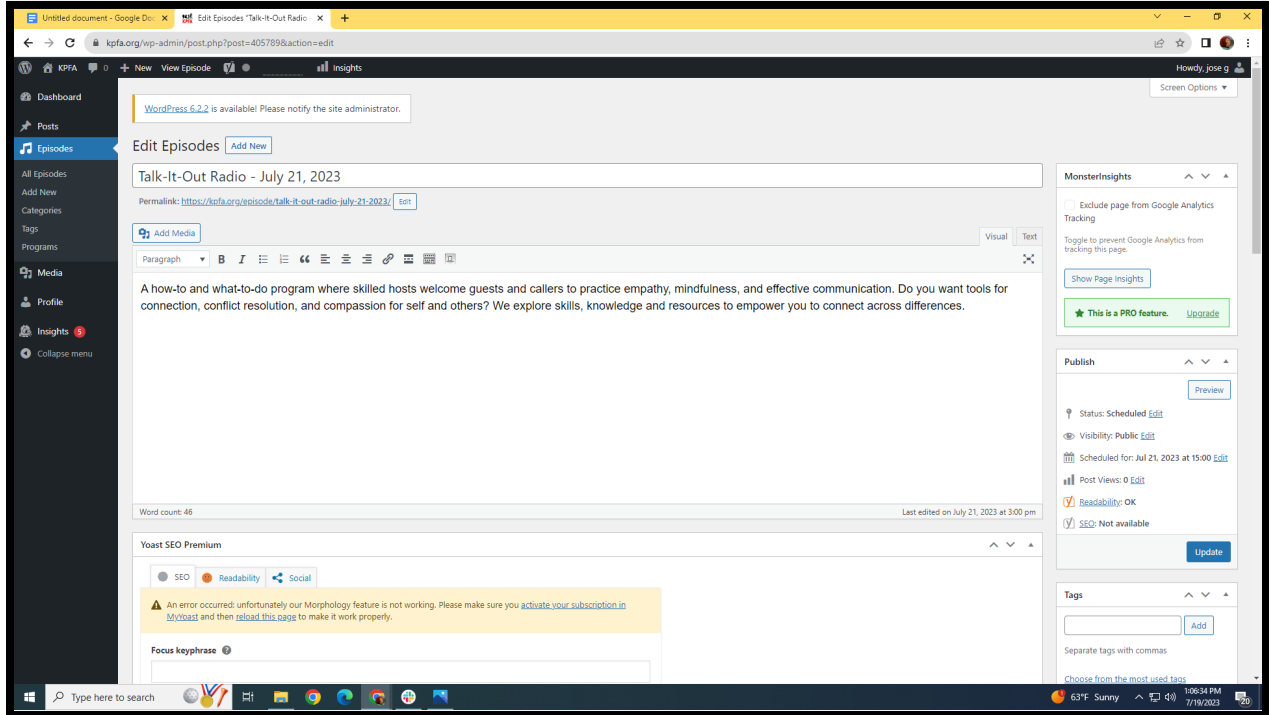
This will show you all your episodes, those that are scheduled for future airing and those that have aired already.

The screenshot shows the WordPress admin interface for 'Episodes'. The top navigation bar includes 'Dashboard', 'Posts', and 'Episodes'. The 'Episodes' section is active, displaying a list of 432 items. The list is filtered by 'All dates', 'All Categories', 'All SEO Scores', and 'All Readability Scores'. The table below shows the following data:

Title	Author	Programs	Date	Status
Talk-It-Out Radio - August 18, 2023 - Scheduled	siteadmin	Talk-It-Out Radio	Scheduled 2023/08/18 at 3:00 pm	Scheduled
Talk-It-Out Radio - August 11, 2023 - Scheduled	siteadmin	Talk-It-Out Radio	Scheduled 2023/08/11 at 3:00 pm	Scheduled
Talk-It-Out Radio - August 4, 2023 - Scheduled	siteadmin	Talk-It-Out Radio	Scheduled 2023/08/04 at 3:00 pm	Scheduled
Talk-It-Out Radio - July 28, 2023 - Scheduled	siteadmin	Talk-It-Out Radio	Scheduled 2023/07/28 at 3:00 pm	Scheduled
Talk-It-Out Radio - July 21, 2023 - Scheduled	siteadmin	Talk-It-Out Radio	Scheduled 2023/07/21 at 3:00 pm	Scheduled
Talk-It-Out Radio - July 14, 2023	siteadmin	Talk-It-Out Radio	Published 2023/07/14 at 3:00 pm	Published
Talk-It-Out Radio - July 7, 2023	siteadmin	Talk-It-Out Radio	Published 2023/07/07 at 3:00 pm	Published
Talk-It-Out Radio - July 2, 2023	siteadmin	Talk-It-Out Radio	Published 2023/07/02 at 7:00 pm	Published
Talk-It-Out Radio - June 25, 2023	siteadmin	Talk-It-Out Radio	Published 2023/06/25 at 7:00 pm	Published
Talk-It-Out Radio - June 18, 2023	siteadmin	Talk-It-Out Radio	Published 2023/06/18 at 7:00 pm	Published
The Politics of Aging on Women and the Medicine to Treat It	siteadmin	Talk-It-Out Radio	Published 2023/06/11 at 7:00 pm	Published
Talk-It-Out Radio - June 4, 2023	siteadmin	Talk-It-Out Radio	Published 2023/06/04 at 3:00 pm	Published

- Click on the episode you are looking to edit

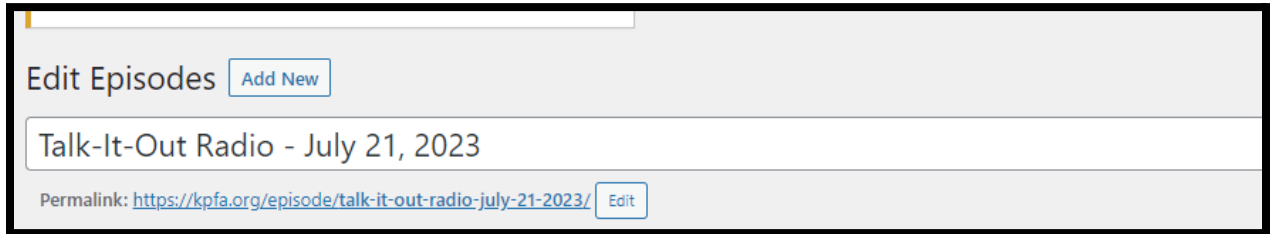
You should see this screen (In this example, we are editing a Talk-It-Out Radio episode dated July 21, 2023). As you can see the episode has a default title and a default description. Let's change that.



Step 3: Editing your Episode

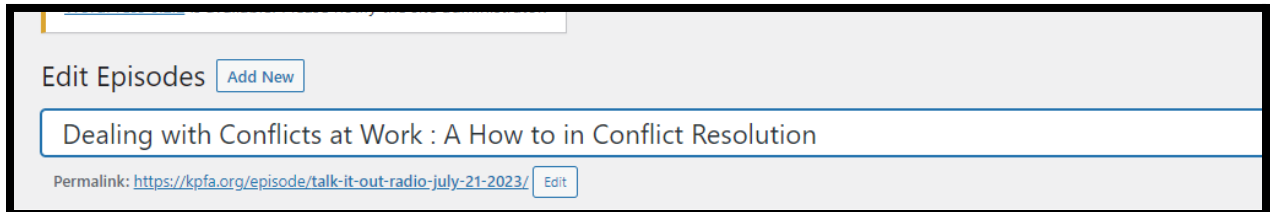
- Change the title of your episode to something catchy and descriptive. You will notice that by default, there is a generic title for every episode. Delete that, and enter the updated title for the episode

OLD, DEFAULT TITLE



The screenshot shows a web interface for editing episodes. At the top, there is a header with 'Edit Episodes' and an 'Add New' button. Below this is a text input field containing the default title 'Talk-It-Out Radio - July 21, 2023'. Underneath the title field is a 'Permalink' field with the URL 'https://kpfa.org/episode/talk-it-out-radio-july-21-2023/' and an 'Edit' button.

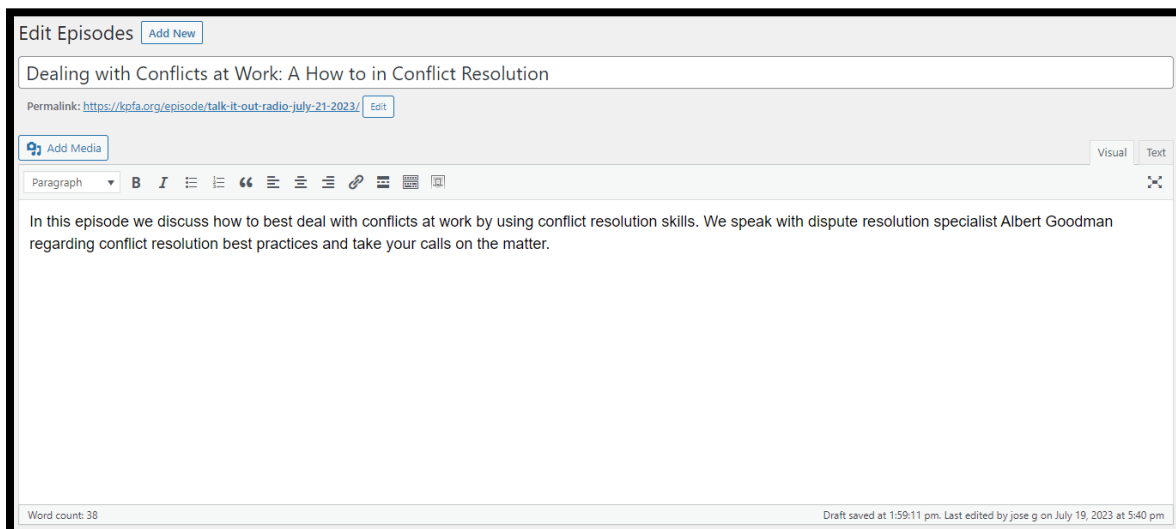
NEW, CUSTOM TITLE



This screenshot shows the same 'Edit Episodes' interface as above, but with a custom title entered in the text field: 'Dealing with Conflicts at Work : A How to in Conflict Resolution'. The 'Permalink' field and 'Edit' button remain the same.

- Enter an episode description in the bigger text box. You will notice that by default, if provided, there is a generic episode description for every episode. Delete that, and enter the updated description for the episode

In this example, you will see that I entered a rather short description. Feel free to make your description as elaborate as you want. You can also insert links and pictures if you'd like.



This screenshot shows the 'Edit Episodes' interface with a custom description entered in the large text area. The title and permalink are the same as in the previous screenshots. The description reads: 'In this episode we discuss how to best deal with conflicts at work by using conflict resolution skills. We speak with dispute resolution specialist Albert Goodman regarding conflict resolution best practices and take your calls on the matter.' The interface includes a rich text editor toolbar with options like Paragraph, Bold, Italic, and a word count of 38 at the bottom left. A draft save timestamp is visible at the bottom right: 'Draft saved at 1:59:11 pm. Last edited by jose g on July 19, 2023 at 5:40 pm'.

Step 4: Setting Your Episode's Featured Image

Along with an episode title and description, you might want to add an episode's featured image to further engage a website visitor. The featured image will appear alongside your episode title and description in your show's archives page.

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KPFA Special – How Adam Smith Became A Capitalist Icon

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ADAM SMITH'S AMERICA
HOW A SCOTTISH PHILOSOPHER BECAME AN ICON OF AMERICAN CAPITALISM
GLORY M. LIU

07.18.23 - 10:00AM Guest: Glory Liu is a lecturer in social studies at Harvard University. She is the author of Adam Smith's America: How a Scottish Philosopher Became an Icon of American Capitalism.

Before we move forward with how to set your episode's featured image, this is a good time to remind folks that we cannot use any copyrighted images without authorization from the copyright holder.

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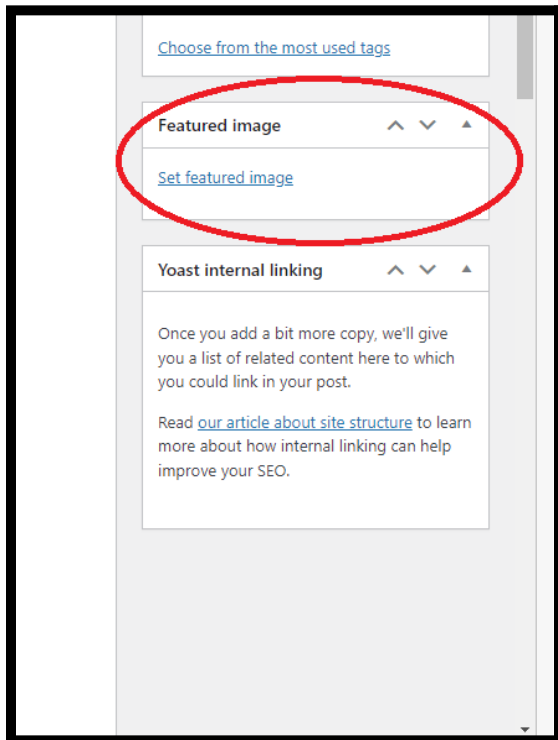
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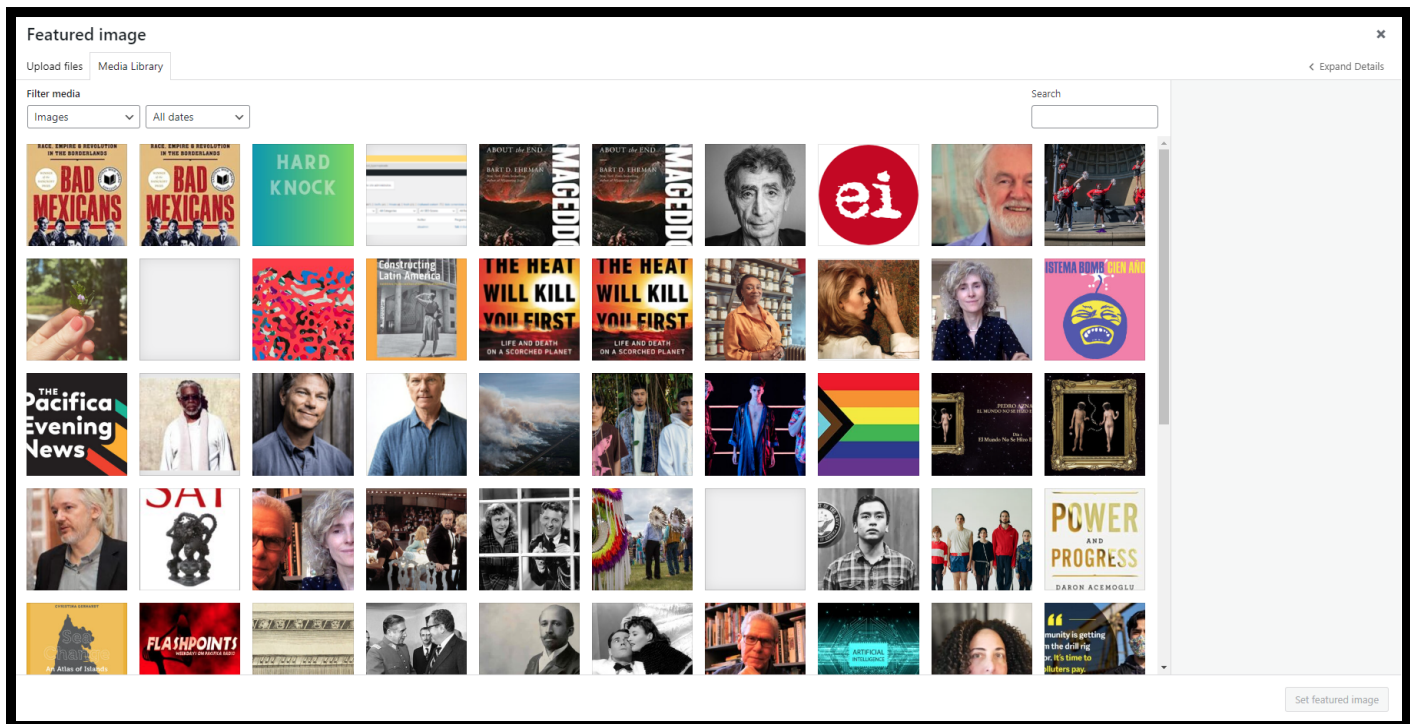
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To Set Your Episode's Featured Image:

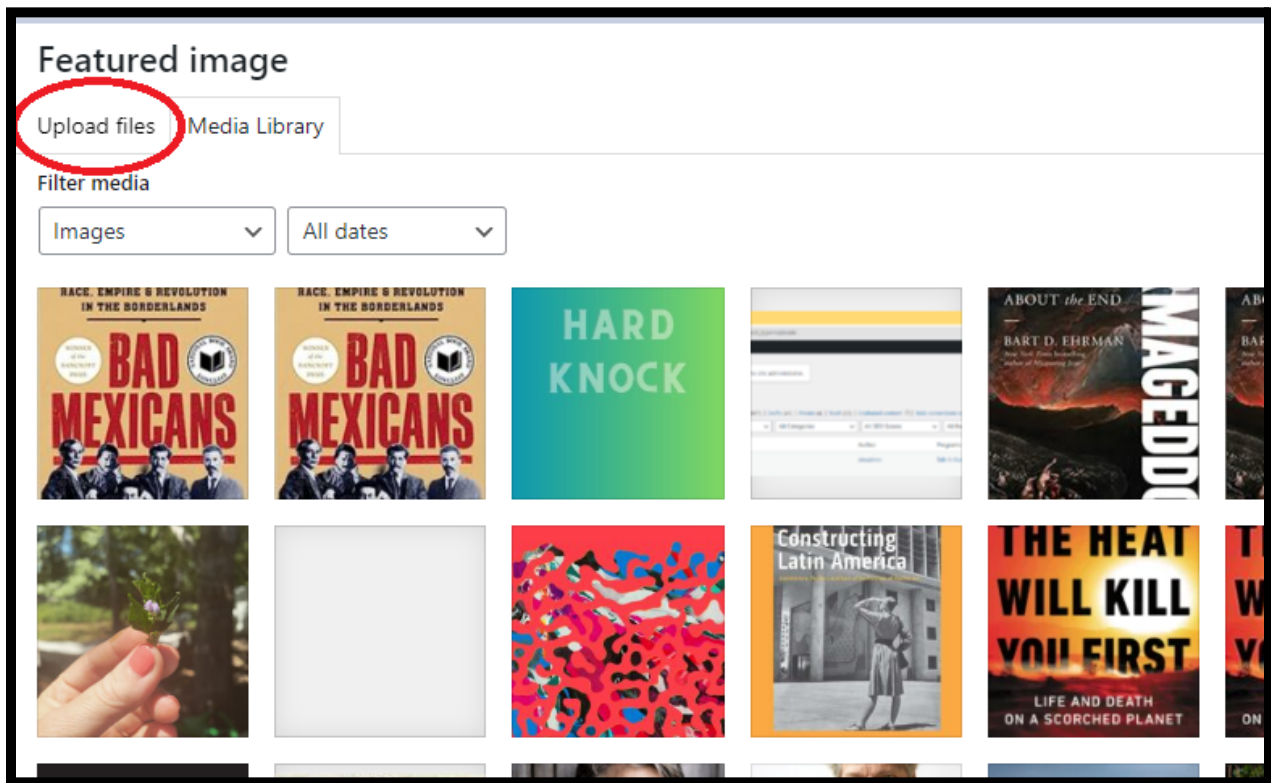
- Scroll down until you see the “Featured image” box on the right side pane and click on “Set featured image.”



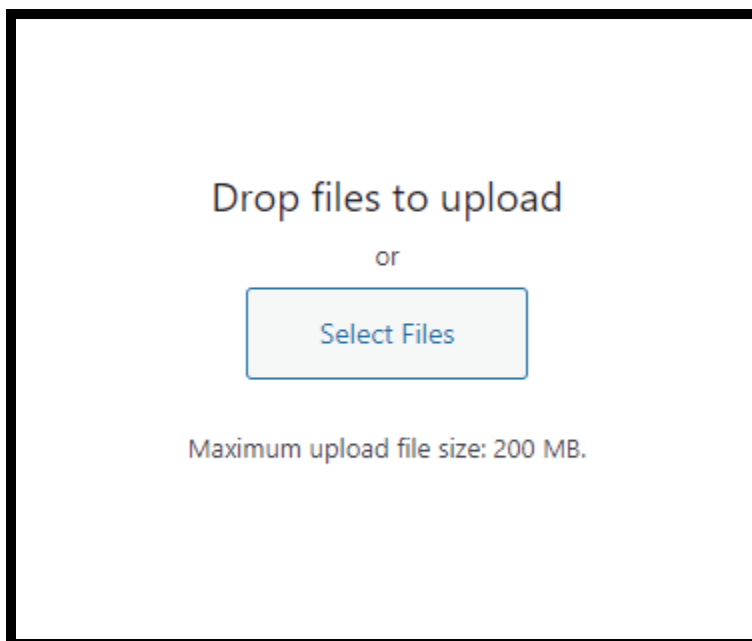
You should see this screen



- Having already downloaded your copyright free image, click on “Upload files” on the top left hand corner.

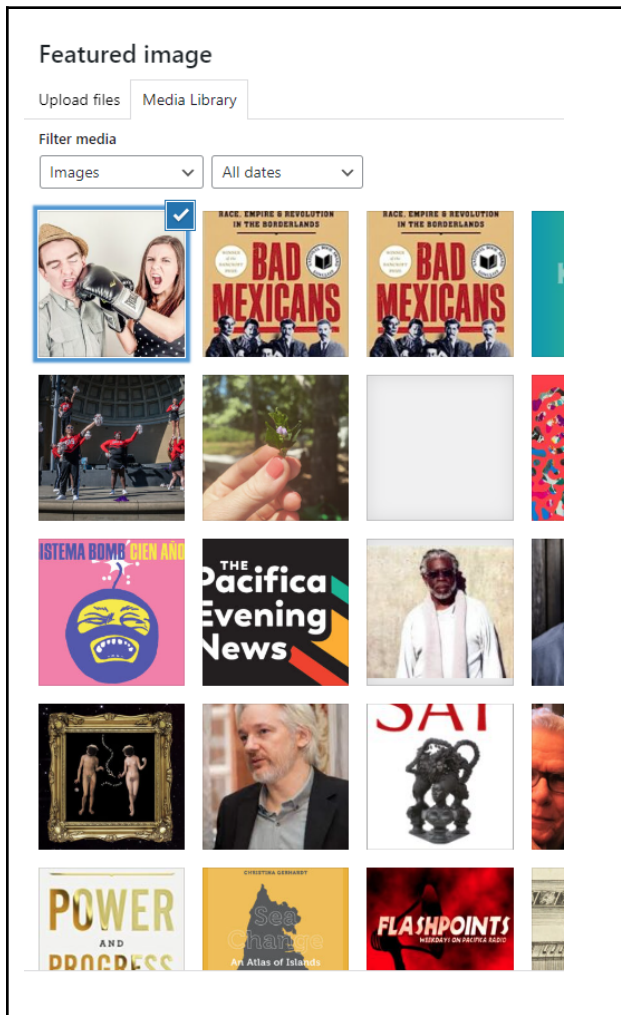


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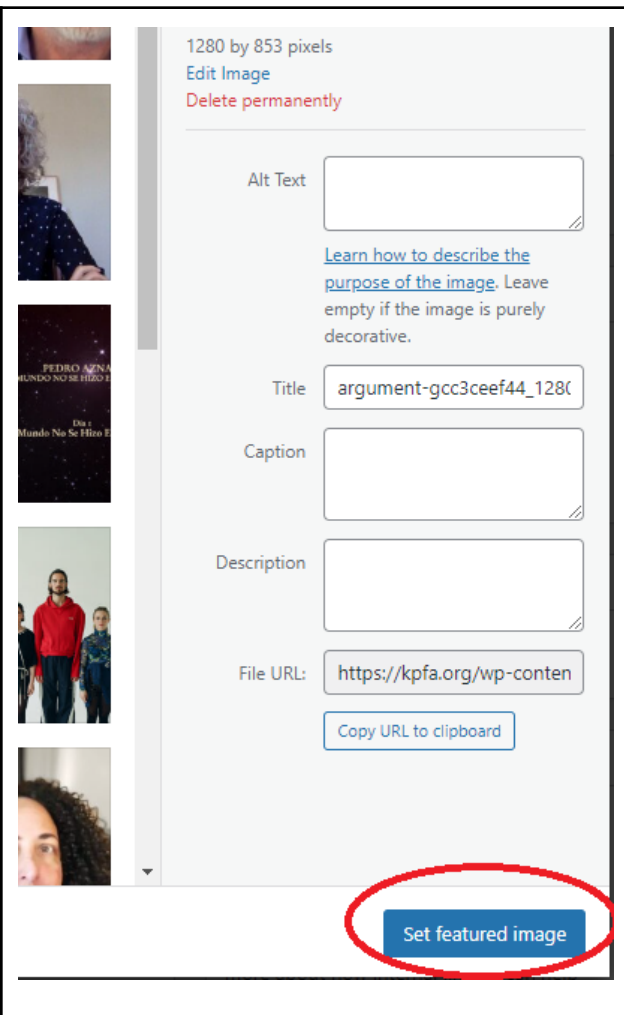


- Locate your image on your computer and either drag and drop it in this window or click on “Select Files” to browse through your computer. Find the image and click “Open.”
- Once your image has been uploaded, you will see it in the media gallery. Select it (PICTURE A) and on the bottom right hand side of the screen, click on “Set featured image.” (PICTURE B)

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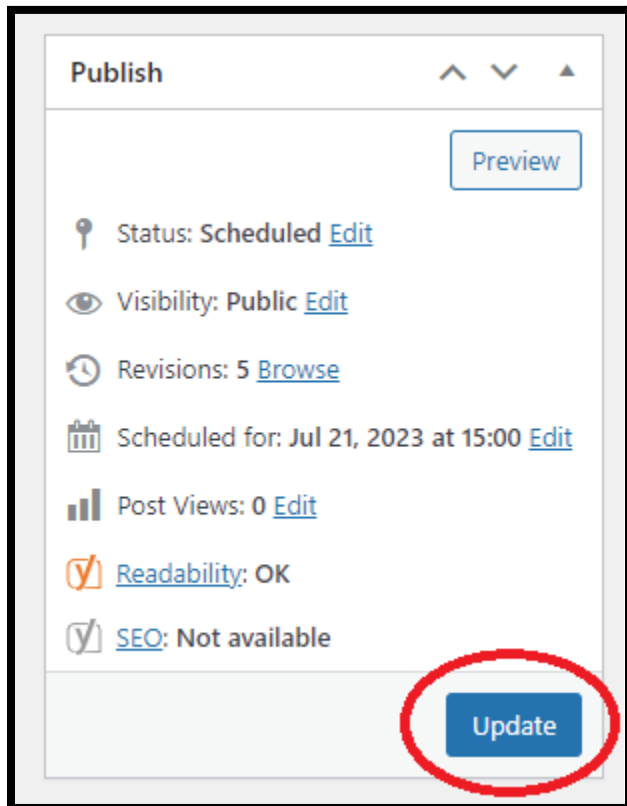


B



STEP 5: Press Update

- After you've entered your episode title, description, and featured image, save your changes and finalize the process by clicking on the blue "Update" button on the right hand side pane in the "Publish" window.



That's it! You've successfully updated your episode description!