

# Test page for Sam

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Hello Mahara community,

To ring in the important month of April, the month of our first Mahara release for 2017, we'd like to invite you to test the release candidate (RC) for Mahara 17.04.

By testing the RC, you can preview all new 17.04 features and the changes before the official stable release. The time of the RC is crucial as we still have time to fix important bugs.

If you have a test server or a developer instance, please do a test upgrade and see how it goes. While we test in different environments, we may not be able to catch all exceptions that you deal with. Therefore, your testing on your own infrastructure would be beneficial. But please don't upgrade your production site just yet. ;-)

You can [download the release candidate](#) or [access it on Git](#).

So what's new in Mahara 17.04? As usual, we have a number of new features that are listed on Launchpad with the "[nominatedfeature](#)" tag.

This time, the major changes are the following:

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We are in the process of updating the user manual and will have more documentation available soon.

You can view a [list of all the bugs that have been fixed and new features that will go into Mahara 17.04](#).

If you reported bugs and they have been fixed, pay particular attention to them and check that all is working now.

In case you find new bugs, please report them on Launchpad so they can consider to fix them before the 17.04.0 release:

<https://bugs.launchpad.net/mahara/+filebug>

In case there are important bugs found that need fixing, we may produce a second release candidate. Otherwise, this release candidate will become the final 17.04.0 release.

You can use our developer instance <http://master.dev.mahara.org> to check out the new features of Mahara (that don't require site administrator access) if you can't install it yourself.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Cheers

The Mahara 17.04 Release Managers