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RT @wordhappynz: 3D paper museum map is an awesome approach to #wayfinding.

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Papercut by petervidani

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Made By Lipsum

IT DOES NOT MATTER HOW SLOW YOU GO SO LONG AS YOU DO NOT STOP.

Atonement v2.0 by madebylipsum

PROLOGUE

Prologue by haydenhunter

The Atlantic

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The Atlantic by petervidani

Who Works With 'Creative Coders?'

9th September 2014

1 note

Permalink

Tweet this

abstract art mapping

Chinese painter Lu Xinjian offers abstract visions of city streets in his latest bout of urban impressionism, City Stream.

23rd December 2013

191 notes

Permalink

This image shows a screenshot of a Tumblr customization interface. On the left, there's a sidebar titled 'Themes' with a 'Use' button. It displays three theme cards: 'Atonement v2.0' by 'madebylipsum' (grey background with a blue quote box), 'Prologue' by 'haydenhunter' (white background with a camera icon and large text), and 'The Atlantic' by 'petervidani' (dark background with white text). The main dashboard area has a large circular image of a complex, abstract architectural drawing. Below it is a caption: 'Chinese painter Lu Xinjian offers abstract visions of city streets in his latest bout of urban impressionism, City Stream.' To the right of the image is a dark box containing the date '9th September 2014' and social sharing links for '1 note', 'Permalink', and 'Tweet this'. At the bottom right is another dark box for '23rd December 2013' with '191 notes' and a 'Permalink' link. The top of the screen shows a browser header with tabs for 'Customize | Tumblr' and 'biomimicry in graphic design', and various bookmark icons.

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Content width 700

Custom Photosets

Fixed Background

Fixed Top Bar

Hide Sidebar

Infinite Scrolling

Invert

Invert Top Bar

Large Social Icons

Left Sidebar

Logo in Top bar

Fullscreen Background

Pages In Top Bar

Rounded Post Corners

Scale Images

Search Box In Sidebar

Show About Heading

Show Blogs I Follow

Show Description

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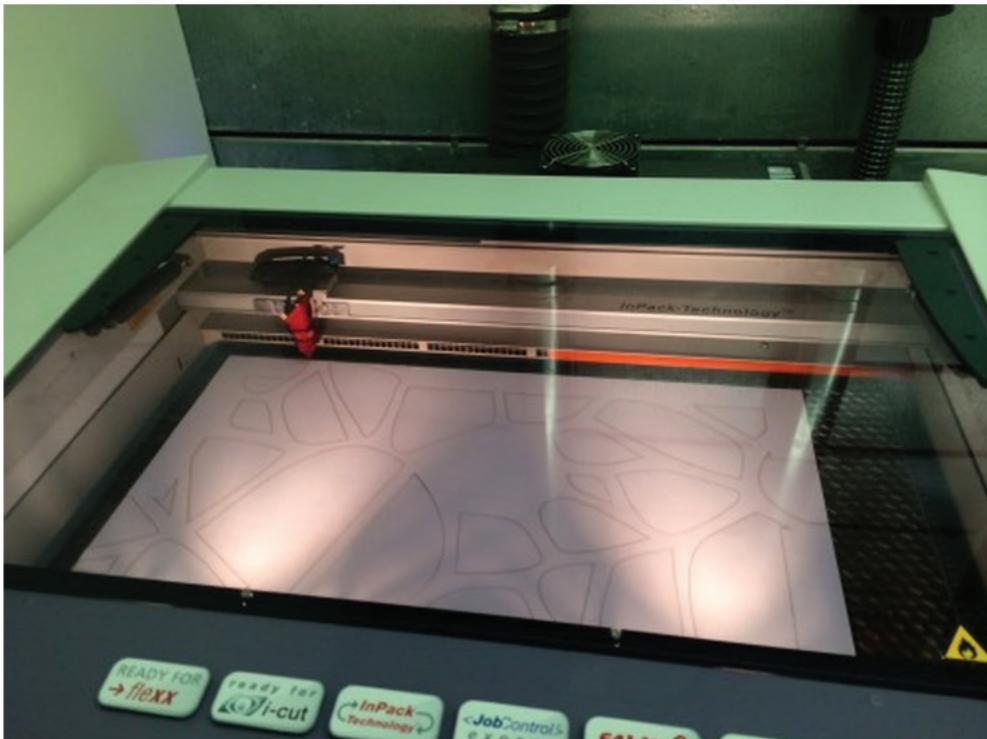
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BIOMIMICRY IN GRAPHIC DESIGN

THESSIS SUMMARY
THESSIS PROCESS
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THE LATEST



MAR 26, 2014

Window installation process ... processing.

#MFA THESIS #INSTALLATION #PROCESS



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APPEARANCE OPTIONS ?

Title biomimicry in graphic design

Description Documentation of the process of exploration, experimentation, generative coding and fabrication towards my MFA thesis.

Avatar

THEME OPTIONS

Header

Hide Club Monaco Logo

Google Analytics

/about /tagged/process /tagged/nice /portfolio

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MAR 21, 2014

Pinwheel station box construction. The PVC proved much better than the actual hardware.

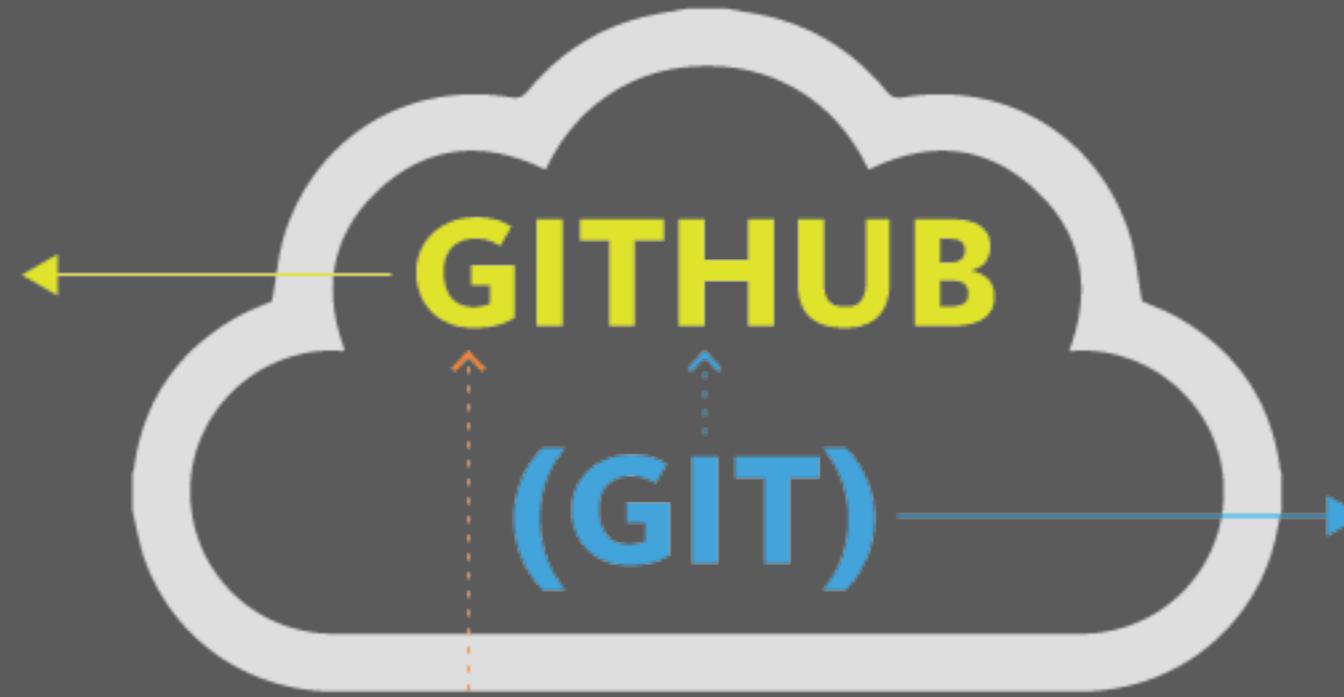
Safari window showing two tabs for "Customize | Tumblr". The address bar shows "https://www.tumblr.com/customize/biobubbles?redirect_to=http%3...". The toolbar includes a lock icon, search, star, refresh, and other icons. The menu bar has "File", "Edit", "View", "Search", "Bookmarks", "Window", and "Help". The sidebar lists "Apps", "Tools", "Projects", "Reading Rainbow", "Side Projects", "Front End Dev", "Mapbox", "Where I left off...", and "Other Bookmarks".

Left panel: "Edit HTML" interface with "Update Preview" button. The code editor contains the following HTML and JavaScript:

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1 <!DOCTYPE html>
2 <html>
3   <head>
4     <title>{Title}</title>
5     <link rel="shortcut icon" href="{Favicon}">
6     <link rel="alternate" type="application/rss+xml" href="{RSS}">
7     {block:Description}
8       <meta name="description" content="{MetaDescription}" />
9     {/block:Description}
10    <link href="http://static.tumblr.com/i21wc39/z8hm3w7m/application.css" media="all" rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" />
11    <style type="text/css">
12      {CustomCSS}
13    </style>
14    <!--[if IE 9]>
15    <script type="text/javascript">var is_ie = true;</script>
16    <![endif]-->
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18    <!-- Pinterest -->
19    <script type="text/javascript">
20      (function(d){
21        var f = d.getElementsByTagName('SCRIPT')[0], p = d.createElement
22          ('SCRIPT');
23        p.type = 'text/javascript';
24        p.async = true;
25        p.src = '//assets.pinterest.com/js/pinit.js';
26        f.parentNode.insertBefore(p, f);
27      })(document);
28    </script>
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30    <meta name="image:Header" content="">
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32    <meta name="text:Google Analytics" content="">
33    {block:IfGoogleAnalytics}
34    <script type="text/javascript">
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36      var _gaq = _gaq || [];
37      _gaq.push(['_setAccount', '{text:Google Analytics}']);
38      _gaq.push(['_trackPageview']);
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42        ga.async = true;
43        ga.src = ('https:' == document.location.protocol ? 'https://ssl' :
44          'http://www') + '.google-analytics.com/ga.js';
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Blogging with Git, Github and Jekyll

- Web hosting for Git
- Git GUI interface web, desktop, mobile
- Collaboration tools: Wikis, bug tracking and project management



JEKYLL

- Repository based code management software
- Stores history and full version-tracking
- Blog-aware site generator
- Languages: YAML (Front Matter), Liquid tags, Markdown, CSS, HTML

GITHUB + GIT

COLLABORATION IN THE CLOUD + CODE MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE

Recent ReadWrite.com post described GitHub as “the largest online storage space of collaborative works that exists in the world. Whether you’re interested in participating in this global mind meld or in researching this massive file dump of human knowledge, you need to be here.”

<http://www.forbes.com/sites/reuvencohen/2013/10/03/github-openness-in-the-cloud-era/>

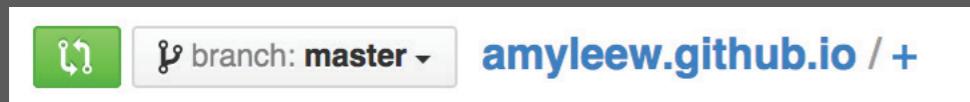


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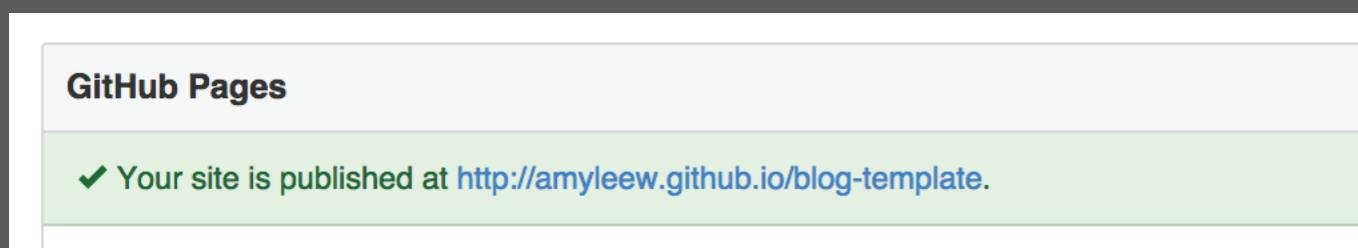
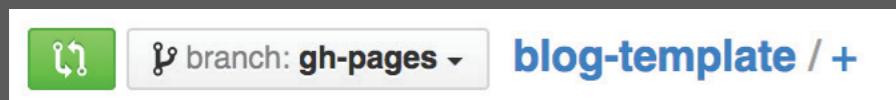
GITHUB SET-UP

USER PAGES AND PROJECT PAGES

User page (repo) always runs from the master branch. And is the “root” for your github url: username.github.io



Project page (repos) always runs from the gh-pages branch. And are “sub-folders” within your github url: username.github.io/project-page-name



amyleew/blog-template x Amy Lee Walton x

GitHub, Inc. [US] https://github.com/amyleew/blog-template

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start your blog with this jekyll template <http://amyleew.github.io/blog-template/> — Edit

30 commits 3 branches 0 releases 1 contributor

branch: `gh-pages` +

updated readme

amyleew authored 21 minutes ago latest commit `207039ad1a`

File	Description	Time Ago
_layouts	make home links go to blog	3 hours ago
_posts	only lists and first post updates	2 hours ago
css	trying new template	5 hours ago
images	updates to mapping activity post	2 hours ago
pdfs	added posts	4 hours ago
random	trying new template	5 hours ago
README.textile	updated readme	21 minutes ago
_config.yml	site url	3 hours ago
atom.xml	trying new template	5 hours ago
index.html	updated dates for resources	2 hours ago
pgp.txt	trying new template	5 hours ago

README.textile

This is the data for my blog

It is automatically transformed by [Jekyll](#) into a static site whenever I push this repository to GitHub.
Use this template to build your blog site.

Code

Issues 0

Pull Requests 0

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Pulse

Graphs

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SSH clone URL `git@github.com`

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Blog Posts

21 Oct 2014 » [Mapping Activity](#)

Class Lectures, Demos, Syllabus

21 Oct 2014 » [Syllabus: Visualization and Prototyping 2014 \(PDF\)](#)

21 Oct 2014 » [Role List \(PDF\)](#)

Other Useful References

22 Oct 2014 » [Mapbox Studio](#)

22 Oct 2014 » [40 Creative Remakes Of The World Map](#)

22 Oct 2014 » [Abstract Maps That Read Between the Lines](#)

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WHAT JEKYLL DOES

Jekyll is a blog aware, static site generator. It takes a template directory containing raw text files, runs it through Markdown and Liquid converters, and spits out a complete, ready-to-publish static website. Jekyll is the engine behind GitHub Pages, which means you can use Jekyll to host your project's page, blog, or website from GitHub's servers for free.



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DIRECTORY STRUCTURE

```
.  
├── _config.yml  
├── _drafts  
│   ├── begin-with-the-crazy-ideas.textile  
│   └── on-simplicity-in-technology.markdown  
├── _includes  
│   ├── footer.html  
│   └── header.html  
├── _layouts  
│   ├── default.html  
│   └── post.html  
├── _posts  
│   ├── 2007-10-29-why-every-programmer-should-play-nethack.textile  
│   └── 2009-04-26-barcamp-boston-4-roundup.textile  
├── _data  
│   └── members.yml  
└── _site  
    └── index.html
```

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DIRECTORY STRUCTURE DEFINED

_layouts These are the templates that wrap posts. Layouts are chosen on a post- by-post basis in the YAML Front Matter. The liquid tag {{ content }} is used to inject content into the web page.

_posts Your blog content. The naming convention of these files is important, and must follow the format: YEAR-MONTH-DAY-title.md.

_includes Small page fragments that you wish to include in multiple places on your site—such as header and footer files.

index.html or .md Must include the YAML Front Matter section to be transformed by Jekyll.

other directory and files except for those listed above—such as css, images, and pdf folders, favicon.ico files, and so forth—will be copied verbatim to the generated site.

<http://jekyllrb.com/docs/structure/>

The `_posts` folder houses your blog posts. These are Markdown formatted text files, with YAML Front Matter they will be converted from their source format into an HTML page that is part of your static site.

To create a new post, all you need to do is create a new file in the `_posts` directory. How you name files in this folder is important. Jekyll requires blog post files to be named according to the following format:

YEAR-MONTH-DAY-title.md

YEAR is a four-digit number, MONTH and DAY are both two-digit numbers, and MARKDOWN is the file extension representing the format used in the file. For example, the following are examples of valid post filenames:

2011-12-31-new-years-eve-is-awesome.md**2012-09-12-how-to-write-a-blog.textile**

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YAML: FRONT MATTER

The front matter is where Jekyll starts to get really cool.

Any file that contains a YAML front matter block will be processed by Jekyll as a special file. The front matter must be the first thing in the file and must take the form of valid YAML set between triple-dashed lines.

Here is a basic example:

```
---
layout: post
title: Blogging Like a Hacker
---
```

Between these triple-dashed lines, you can set predefined variables—<http://jekyllrb.com/docs/frontmatter/#predefined-global-variables>—or create your own. These variables will then be available to you to access using Liquid tags both further down in the file and also in any layouts or includes that the page or post in question relies on.

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IMAGES, RESOURCES, AND MARKDOWN

To include images, downloads, or other digital assets along with your text content in addition to learning the Markdown syntax—<http://daring-fireball.net/projects/markdown/syntax>—you need to work out where to store these files in your site.

One common solution is to create a folder in the root of the project directory called something like assets or downloads, into which any images, downloads or other resources are placed. Then, from within any post, they can be linked to using the site's root as the path.

... which is shown in the screenshot below:

```
! [My helpful screenshot]({{ site.url }}/assets/screenshot.jpg)
```

... you can [get the PDF]({{ site.url }}/assets/mydoc.pdf) directly.

Jekyll makes data easily available, and dynamic, through the site using the Liquid templating language to process templates. This basic format is {{ content }}.

Liquid tags available reference global, site, page, and paginator variables. Read on up on them here – <http://jekyllrb.com/docs/variables/>

The screenshot shows the Jekyll Documentation website with a dark theme. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for HOME, DOCUMENTATION (which is highlighted in a yellow box), NEWS, HELP, and VIEW ON GITHUB. The main content area has a title "Global Variables". Below it is a table with four rows, each containing a variable name in a button-like box and its description. To the right of the table is a sidebar titled "YOUR CONTENT" which lists various documentation topics. The table rows are:

VARIABLE	DESCRIPTION
site	Sitewide information + configuration settings from <code>_config.yml</code> . See below for details.
page	Page specific information + the YAML front matter . Custom variables set via the YAML Front Matter will be available here. See below for details.
content	In layout files, the rendered content of the Post or Page being wrapped. Not defined in Post or Page files.
paginator	When the <code>paginate</code> configuration option is set, this variable becomes available for use. See Pagination for details.

YOUR CONTENT

- Front Matter
- Writing posts
- Working with drafts
- Creating pages
- Variables
- Collections
- Data Files
- Assets
- Blog migrations

CUSTOMIZATION

RESOURCES

JEKYLL PLUG-INS

Remember this is only a blog. Keep it simple and don't get yourself into too much technical trouble. If you do want a few bells and whistles, here are a few plug-ins that are worth the trouble:

Emoji for Jekyll: <https://github.com/yihangho/emoji-for-jekyll>

Seamlessly enable emoji for all posts and pages.

Jekyll Twitter Plugin: <https://github.com/rob-murray/jekyll-twitter-plugin>

A Liquid tag plugin that renders Tweets from Twitter API.

Generate YouTube Embed: <https://gist.github.com/1805814>

Embed a YouTube video with the YouTube ID and specify width and height.

Photo Galleries for Jekyll: <http://dpb587.me/blog/2014/04/08/photo-galleries-for-jekyll.html>

Generates thumbnails from a directory of images and displays in a grid.

RESOURCES

MARKDOWN EDITORS

A few cool editors to make coding fun:

Markdown-Writer for Atom: <https://atom.io/packages/markdown-writer>

A better Markdown editor for blogs.

Markdown Preview: <https://atom.io/packages/markdown-preview>

Show the rendered HTML markdown to the right of the current editor using ctrl-shift-m.

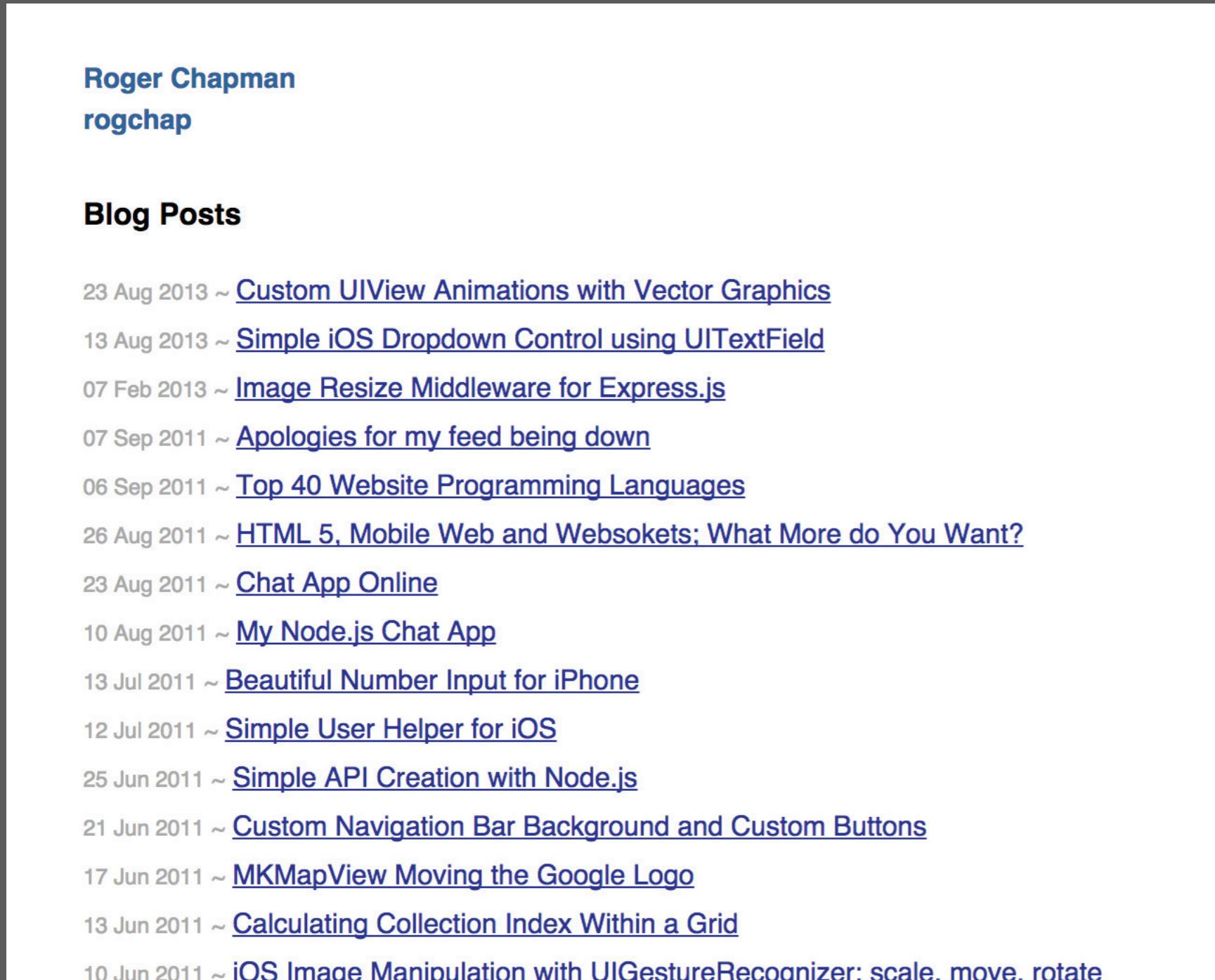
sublime-jekyll: <http://23maverick23.github.io/sublime-jekyll/>

A Sublime Text package for Jekyll static sites.

EXAMPLES

K.I.S.S. - KEEP IT STUPID SIMPLE

Roger Chapman <http://rogchap.com/>
(source – <https://github.com/rogchap/rogchap.github.com>)



The screenshot shows a dark-themed blog homepage. At the top, there is a header with the name "Roger Chapman" and a GitHub link "rogchap". Below the header, a section titled "Blog Posts" lists various articles with their publication dates:

- 23 Aug 2013 ~ [Custom UIView Animations with Vector Graphics](#)
- 13 Aug 2013 ~ [Simple iOS Dropdown Control using UITextField](#)
- 07 Feb 2013 ~ [Image Resize Middleware for Express.js](#)
- 07 Sep 2011 ~ [Apologies for my feed being down](#)
- 06 Sep 2011 ~ [Top 40 Website Programming Languages](#)
- 26 Aug 2011 ~ [HTML 5, Mobile Web and Websokets; What More do You Want?](#)
- 23 Aug 2011 ~ [Chat App Online](#)
- 10 Aug 2011 ~ [My Node.js Chat App](#)
- 13 Jul 2011 ~ [Beautiful Number Input for iPhone](#)
- 12 Jul 2011 ~ [Simple User Helper for iOS](#)
- 25 Jun 2011 ~ [Simple API Creation with Node.js](#)
- 21 Jun 2011 ~ [Custom Navigation Bar Background and Custom Buttons](#)
- 17 Jun 2011 ~ [MKMapView Moving the Google Logo](#)
- 13 Jun 2011 ~ [Calculating Collection Index Within a Grid](#)
- 10 Jun 2011 ~ [iOS Image Manipulation with UIGestureRecognizer: scale, move, rotate](#)

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K.I.S.S. - KEEP IT STUPID SIMPLE

Coding in the Rain <http://ascarter.net/>
(source – <http://github.com/ascarter/ascarter.github.com/>)

coding in the rain

By Andrew Carter

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Go Development Environment

30 June 2014

Recently, I've started to work with the [Go](#) language. One initial point of confusion for me was how to use [workspaces](#). They work a little different than other frameworks and languages.

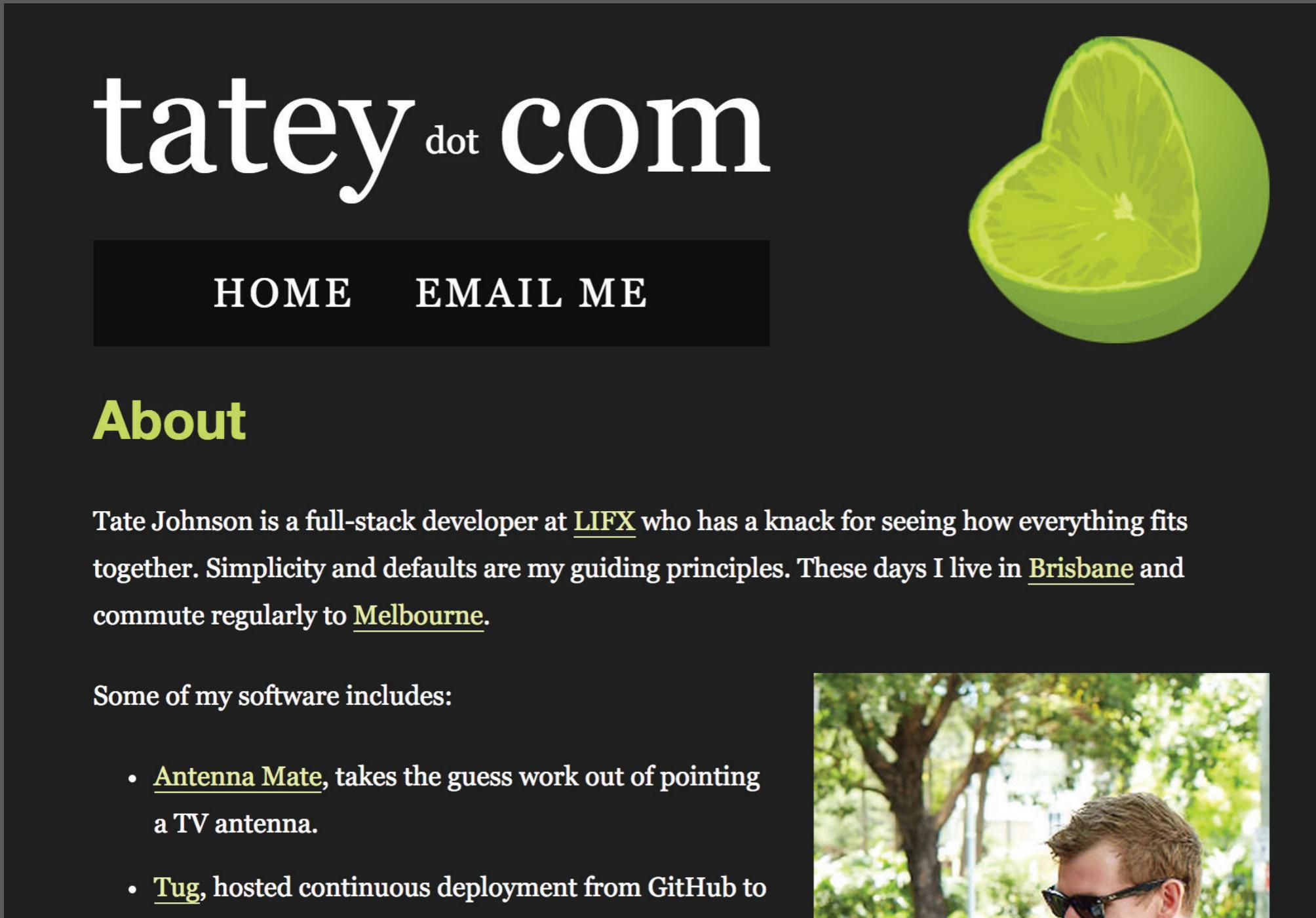
In simple terms, a workspace sets the context for running the go tool. Go is implemented by a suite of binaries similar to GCC. There is a compiler, linker and other tools for managing specific aspects of the Go workflow. On top of all of this is a tool called `go` that lets you use much simpler meta tasks like `build`, `install`, and `test`. For the high level tool to operate, it needs to have a context to work within. This includes where to find code and dependencies, where to build and install components, and generally set the

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Tate Johnson <http://tatey.com/>

(source – <http://github.com/tatey/tatey.com/>)



The screenshot shows a dark-themed website for "tatey dot com". The main title "tatey dot com" is displayed in a large, white, sans-serif font. Below it is a navigation bar with "HOME" and "EMAIL ME" links. To the right of the title is a circular profile picture of a lime wedge. The "About" section contains a bio: "Tate Johnson is a full-stack developer at [LIFX](#) who has a knack for seeing how everything fits together. Simplicity and defaults are my guiding principles. These days I live in [Brisbane](#) and commute regularly to [Melbourne](#)." Below the bio is a list of software projects: "Some of my software includes:

- [Antenna Mate](#), takes the guess work out of pointing a TV antenna.
- [Tug](#), hosted continuous deployment from GitHub to

". A small portrait photo of Tate Johnson wearing sunglasses is visible in the bottom right corner of the page.

EXTRAS

I will guide, direct, and instruct you; but this kind of work must be learned the fun way—by breaking things.

I can only teach so much, it's your job **as student** to learn and find your own answers. This will be a very helpful skill in your next job. Knowing when to hold them and when to fold them. If the answer does not come easy enough and google can't help you... learn when to move on to another solution.

Jekyll starter-files: <https://github.com/cnunciano/jekyll-starter>

Markdown: <http://daringfireball.net/projects/markdown/>

Liquid templates: <http://jekyllrb.com/docs/templates/>

Trouble-shooting: <http://jekyllrb.com/docs/troubleshooting/>

More resources: <http://jekyllrb.com/docs/resources/>