

Highlights from last week in the world of botmaking!

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Happy New Year!

I started off 2016 with a *radical* update to the design of Botwiki.org, which now sports a sidebar! Go [check it out](#) :-)

Also, the first [Monthly Bot Challenge](#) officially started! Plus, you have a few more days to submit your entry to the [Algorithmia Shorties Contest](#), and as a reminder, I'm [collecting feedback](#) on Botwiki and all the related bot-projects :-)

Bots, libraries and resources

- [@someboxes](#) tweets [pictures of boxes as part of a test](#) of new [Cheap Bots Done Quick](#) functionality
- [@ArtListsBot](#) has a "list for every artist"
- [@firstprbot](#) tweets every time someone opens their first open source pull request on [GitHub](#)
- [@lacrashbot](#) documents all the injury-collisions that were reported in Los Angeles County in 2014
- [Joel Grus](#) has a [six-part series on making Twitter bots](#) with node.js, Python, Purescript and Amazon AWS
- And [Textbelt](#) is a pretty interesting service for sending free SMS messages you can host yourself

Reading list

- [Mark Zuckerberg's challenge in 2016 is to build an AI butler like in 'Iron Man'](#) (businessinsider.com)

- [Why 2015 Was a Breakthrough Year in Artificial Intelligence](#) (bloomberg.com)
- [Slate's Seven Favorite Twitter Bots of 2015](#) (slate.com)
- [5 Robot Trends to Watch for in 2016](#) (technologyreview.com)
- [Automation Should Be Like Iron Man, Not Ultron](#) (queue.acm.org)
- [Artificial Intelligence Finally Entered Our Everyday World](#) (wired.com)
- [AI100: One Hundred Year Study on Artificial Intelligence](#) (ai100.stanford.edu)
- [How I Learned To Code Neural Networks In 2015](#) ([Per Harald Borgen](#) via medium.com)
- [I have five digital 'personal assistants' and still can't get anything done](#) (washingtonpost.com)
- [Attention and Memory in Deep Learning and NLP](#) (wildml.com)



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