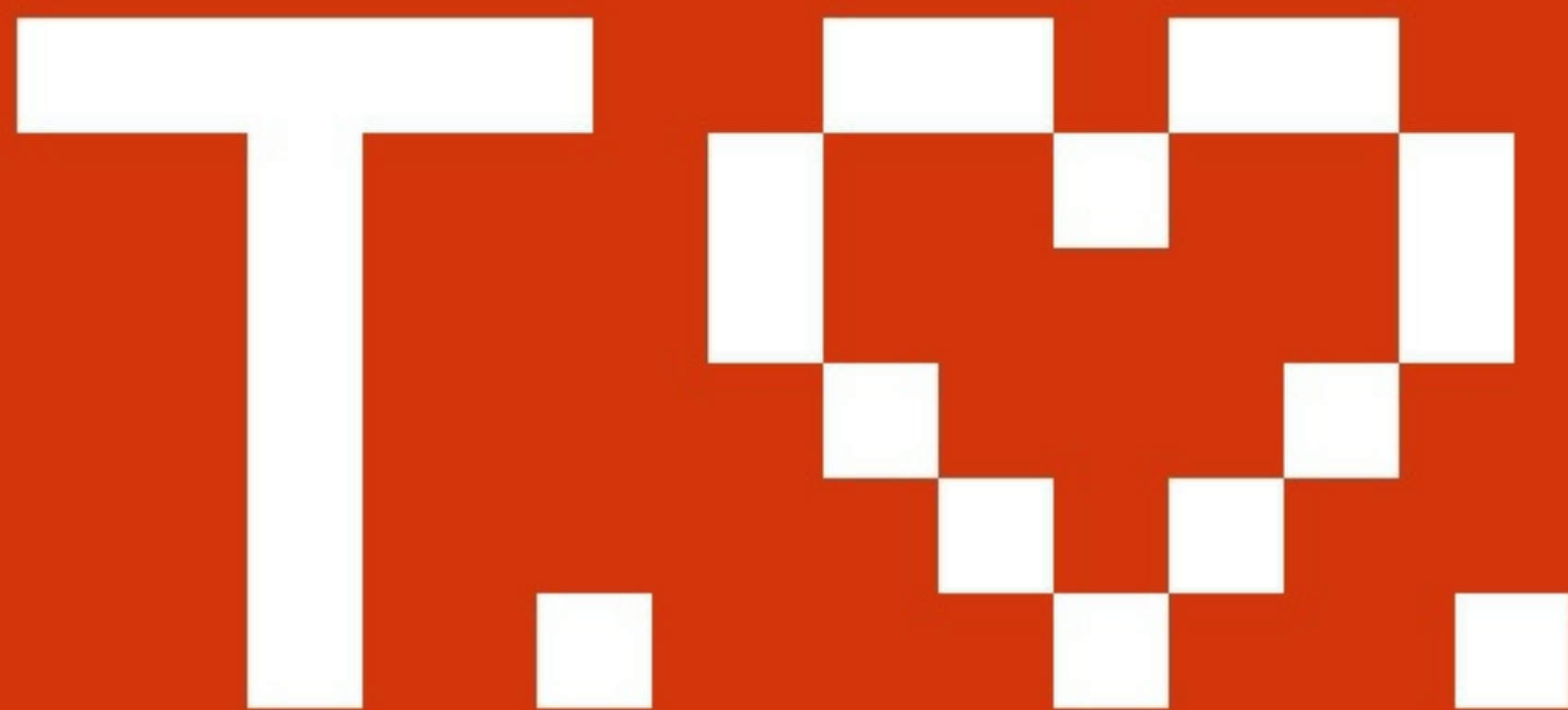


# Rails Girls



WHAT GEM

WHY GEM

HOW GEM

OR

SHARING YOUR CODE  
AS RUBYGEMS

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[GITHUB.COM/HALOSTATUE](https://github.com/Halostatue)

**RUBYIST SINCE 2002**

19+ GEMS

**19+ GEMS**

**114M+ DOWNLOADS**



**WHAT IS A GEM?**

**DOWNLOADABLE  
RUBY CODE**

YOUR CODE

+

A GEMSPEC

# GEMSPEC = GEM METADATA

```
Gem::Specification.new do |spec|
  s.name           = "marlowe"
  s.version        = "1.0.1"
  s.authors        = ["Trevor Oke", "Kinetic Cafe ALDO Team"]
  s.email          = ["toke@kineticcafe.com", "dev@kineticcafe.com"]
  s.description    = %q{Provides a correlation ...}
  s.summary        = %q{Correlation IDs for Rails and other Rack applications}
  s.homepage       = "https://github.com/KineticCafe/marlowe"
  s.license        = "MIT"

  # ...
end
```

WHEN PACKAGED  
INSTALL WITH

gem install marlowe

**WHY MAKE A GEM?**



REUSE YOUR  
OWN CODE

KINETIC CAFE  
6 PRIVATE GEMS



SHARED CODE  
FOR ALL APPS

**NOT PUBLISHED  
ON RUBYGEMS.ORG**

**GEMINABOX**  
**+ OPENSIFT**  
**+ RUBYGEMS-QUICKSTART**  
**= FREE PRIVATE GEM SERVER**

OR

USE GEMFURY



SHARE  
YOUR CODE

OTHER PEOPLE MIGHT  
FIND YOUR CODE  
USEFUL

**PUBLISHED  
ON RUBYGEMS.ORG**

OPEN SOURCE



**HOW TO MAKE A GEM?**

**GEMS ARE EASY**

**CREATE GEMSPEC**

**BUILD GEM**

**RELEASE GEM**

**HARDEST PART:**

**HARDEST PART:**  
**THE IDEA**

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~~THE IDEA~~



**HARDEST PART:  
THE NAME**

THE BEST GEMS  
ARE FROM  
WORKING CODE

TOOLS FOR  
BUILDING GEMS

# TOOL: BUNDLER

bundler gem GEM

# WHY BUNDLER?

- > UBIQUITOUS
- > YOU ALREADY HAVE IT

```
bundler gem GEM [OPTIONS]  
-b, [--bin], [--no-bin]
```

```
bundler gem GEM [OPTIONS]  
-b, [--bin], [--no-bin]  
GENERATE A BINARY FOR YOUR LIBRARY.
```

```
bundler gem GEM [OPTIONS]  
[--coc], [--no-coc]
```



```
bundler gem GEM [OPTIONS]  
[--coc], [--no-coc]  
GENERATE A CODE OF CONDUCT FILE.
```

```
bundler gem GEM [OPTIONS]  
[--ext], [--no-ext]
```

```
bundler gem GEM [OPTIONS]  
[--ext], [--no-ext]  
GENERATE THE BOILERPLATE FOR C EXTENSION CODE
```

```
bundler gem GEM [OPTIONS]  
[--mit], [--no-mit]
```

```
bundler gem GEM [OPTIONS]  
[--mit], [--no-mit]  
GENERATE AN MIT LICENSE FILE.
```

```
bundler gem GEM [OPTIONS]  
-t, [--test=rspec]
```

```
bundler gem GEM [OPTIONS]  
-t, [---test=rspec]
```

GENERATE A TEST DIRECTORY FOR YOUR LIBRARY.

EITHER RSPEC OR MINITEST.

# WHY NOT BUNDLER?

- MOST USEFUL FOR THE SIMPLEST GEMS
  - NOT DRY
  - QUESTIONABLE DEFAULTS



# TOOL: HOE

```
gem install hoe
```

```
SOW GEM
```

# WHY HOE

- BUILT FOR GEM DEVELOPERS
- FULL DEVELOPMENT WORKFLOW, VERY DRY
  - PLUG-IN BASED
  - USES A MANIFEST

# SOW GEM

`sow --style TEMPLATE GEM`

- TEMPLATES ARE IN `~/hoe_template`.
- ONLY ONE BY DEFAULT. COPIED WHEN FIRST RUN.
- QUIK MAY BE BETTER THAN SOW, BUT USES HOE.

**FULL DEVELOPMENT WORKFLOW  
BUILT AROUND RAKE**

# FULL DEVELOPMENT WORKFLOW

rake (TESTS)

rake docs

rake dcov (DOC COVERAGE)

rake package (BUILDS)

# FULL DEVELOPMENT WORKFLOW

`rake release VERSION=x.y.z`

> WILL NOT RELEASE UNLESS `VERSION=x.y.z` MATCHES YOUR  
GEM VERSION

**FULL DEVELOPMENT WORKFLOW**  
**ALSO HAS TASKS FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS, BLOG POSTS, ETC.**

# VERY DRY

PARSES README AND HISTORY FILES

FINDS VERSION IN YOUR SOURCE CODE



PLUG-IN BASED  
LOTS OF PLUG-INS

# ADD OTHERWISE MISSING FEATURES:

- hoe-doofus (RELEASE CHECKLIST)
- hoe-gemspec2 (CREATE GEM.gemspec)
- hoe-git (CHANGELOG, MANIFEST, AND TAG MANAGEMENT)
  - hoe-travis (TRAVIS-CI BUILD SUPPORT)
- hoe-geminabox (PRIVATE GEM SERVER SUPPORT)
  - MORE...

# WHY NOT HOE?

- EXISTING TEMPLATES ARE IDIOSYNCRATIC.
  - SHARING TEMPLATES IS HARD.
- MOST USEFUL FOR SIMPLE-TO-MEDIUM COMPLEXITY GEMS.
  - **VERY** OPINIONATED.

# NOTE: MORE TOOLS

- JEWELER
- RUBYGEMS-TASKS

LET'S

RELEASE

A

GEM

(DEMO)



Q&A

FURTHER  
WATCHING

# PLUCK IT

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ADAM CUPPY

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SPLIT YOUR CODE INTO MICRO-LIBRARIES RELEASED AS  
RUBYGEMS.

PROBLEM



# SEVEN HABITS OF HIGHLY EFFECTIVE RUBYGEMS

**MAT BROWN**

**SEVEN GOOD IDEAS FOR MAKING AND MAINTAINING GOOD  
RUBYGEMS. I ATTENDED THIS TALK  
AND IT'S WORTH A LISTEN.**

4.2.5

Breaking  
change

New  
feature

Bugfix

Semantic Versioning



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# HOW DOES BUNDLER WORK. ANYWAY?

ANDRE ARKO

HOW DOES BUNDLER WORK? WHY DO WE NEED `bundle exec`?

only absolute paths?

probably fine too 🙄

