

# IWDD100

Lesson 3  
GitHub

# What is GitHub?

- Not to be confused with Git, the version control system
- GitHub is a place to store Git repositories
- Great place for a programmer portfolio!
- Facilitates sharing of code and the open source movement

# Getting ready to use GitHub - ID

Your commits will have your name and email attached to them. Before we put anything up in public, let's make sure they're correct!

```
$ git config --global user.name
```

*> should be your name, i.e. Zach Feldman*

```
$ git config --global user.email
```

*>should be your email, i.e. zach@nycda.com*

To fix either, just add the desired value in quotes after the command:

```
$ git config --global user.name "Zach Feldman"
```

```
$ git config --global user.email "zachfeldman@gmail.com"
```

# Getting ready to use GitHub - SSH

- Your SSH keys are used to authenticate with GitHub without the need to always type in your username and password
- To generate them, and be sure they're working correctly, follow this guide:

<https://help.github.com/articles/generating-ssh-keys>

# Creating your first repository

- Go to <http://github.com>, sign in, and click the + at the top right of the page, select “new repository”
- Give your repository a name, don’t initialize it with a README
- Once you get to your repository’s new GitHub page, copy the “SSH clone url” on the right of the page. It should look kind of like this:

```
git@github.com:zachfeldman/wordpress-haml-sass.git
```

# Pushing to GitHub for the first time

- Go to your repository using the Terminal and the `cd` command, verify using `git status` and `pwd`
- A “remote” is a place where you’d like to push your Git repository. Use the command  

```
$ git remote add origin git@github.com:<your username>/<your repo name>.git
```

to add a remote with the name “origin” to your repository
- This new “origin” remote is an alias for your GitHub repository
- To push your code to GitHub, use  

```
$ git push origin master
```

# Pushing to GitHub for the first time

- GitHub might reject your push because your repository has a README file in it. **If this is your first time pushing to GitHub and your positive there's nothing in your repository, use the -f flag to force push.**

```
$ git push origin master -f
```

- If you'd like to add some text to your repository's "home page", add a file called `README.md` with text inside of it, commit it, then push again
- This file is formatted with `Markdown`, an `HTML`-like markup language
- For more information on `Markdown`, see <http://github.github.com/github-flavored-markdown>