

# Hello, meet Tom

When I'm not working, I'm blogging, contributing and hacking on open source. You may remember some of my projects such as Hubot Factory and TrollScript.

I enjoy working with Ruby and Sinatra. I love to abuse Node.js and CoffeeScript for fun and profit. I fancy myself as a bit of an evangelist for Git and GitHub. You may have also seen the odd commit from me to GitHub's Hubot.

## Important Things

**GitHub** <https://github.com/tombell>

**Blog** <http://tomb.io>

**Twitter** <http://twitter.com/thetombell>

## Projects

**Hubot** — <https://github.com/github/hubot>

Hubot was originally a Campfire bot GitHub used to automate everyday tasks from their Campfire rooms. They open sourced a rewritten version. I contributed a Twilio adapter for Hubot allowing a user to issue commands to Hubot via SMS. I was invited to help maintain Hubot by [@atmos](#) from GitHub.

**Emily** — <https://github.com/tombell/emily>

Emily is a continuous integration web application for your GitHub organisation. It uses GitHub's OAuth for authentication. This is work in progress.

**Lumberjack** — <https://github.com/tombell/lumberjack>

Lumberjack is a simple web application which keeps a central log of exceptions thrown in any of your applications. It uses GitHub's OAuth for authentication. This is work in progress.

**Hubot Factory** — <https://github.com/tombell/hubot-factory>

Hubot Factory is a simple Sinatra application backed by a Resque queue for building instances of Hubot and deploying them to Heroku so end users don't need to do it themselves.

## Linkcatch

Linkcatch is an application for Twitter users who follow a lot of people and like to follow the links in their stream. Linkcatch stores links it finds in a persons stream and over time it learns which links are user is most likely going to want to visit first.

**Jessica** — <https://github.com/tombell/jessica>

Jessica is a micro web framework for .NET. It is heavily inspired by the Sinatra framework from Ruby. It has support for dependency injection and different view engines.

# Skills

## Languages

C#, Ruby, CoffeeScript, JavaScript, HTML5, CSS3, C, C++

## Frameworks

Sinatra, ASP.NET MVC, Node.js, jQuery, Rails

## Databases

PostgreSQL, MySQL, MongoDB, Redis, SQL Server

## Hosting

Nginx, Unicorn, IIS

## Miscellaneous

Linux, Windows Server, Git, Resque, Capistrano, and more. Get into a conversation with me to find out more!

# Learning

Right now I am slinging around CoffeeScript code on Node.js. The CoffeeScript syntax is really clean and nice to write. Node.js is also a pretty sweet framework to build on top of and is a great introduction to event programming. I contribute to and help maintain GitHub's recently open sourced project Hubot.

I attend a number of conferences/events in the north west of England, including Barcamps and a North West Ruby User Group. I've given talks at a number of Barcamps on topics ranging from my web framework to CoffeeScript.

# Experience

## MoneyPlus Group — July 2011 until December 2011

Joined the team to help rewrite a few existing systems into more elegant and maintainable systems with supporting unit and integration tests. I also introduced continuous integration to the team.

## Manchester Confidential — April 2011 until June 2011

Joined as the second developer to help support their legacy web application. I also introduced continuous integration and deployment workflows.

## EKM Systems — May 2010 until October 2010

Joined as a junior developer and worked on a couple of internal web applications including an SMS platform for their existing systems offering an external API. I also paired with another developer on building a bug and feature tracking web application tailored for the company.

# Contact

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