### Classy Web Development with

Ruby, Sinatra and Heroku

Get a site online in five minutes or less.

But first...

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\*localhost

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### http://localhost:4000



### LEG

It's been a while since I've posted anything here, but I've been hard at work, at work. We created the Light Engineering Group late last year as sort of a skunkworks R&D department. We don't have product managers or process of any kind really. We experiment with new technologies and markets and pretty much have free reign as far as architecture, languages, server setup, you name it! It really is a dream job for a programmer. I've had a couple big projects go out the door recently and that seemed like a good enough reason to crawl out of the dark and write a new blog entry!

### ActiveReader

My first iPhone app! This one brings down articles from Active.com and stores them in your phone for on/offline reading. On the server-side the articles are stored in <a href="CouchDB">CouchDB</a> which is my new favorite database. I love JSON and I love HTTP—so does Couch. Couch sits behind <a href="Pound">Pound</a> to make sure only certain URLs are visible to the outside world.

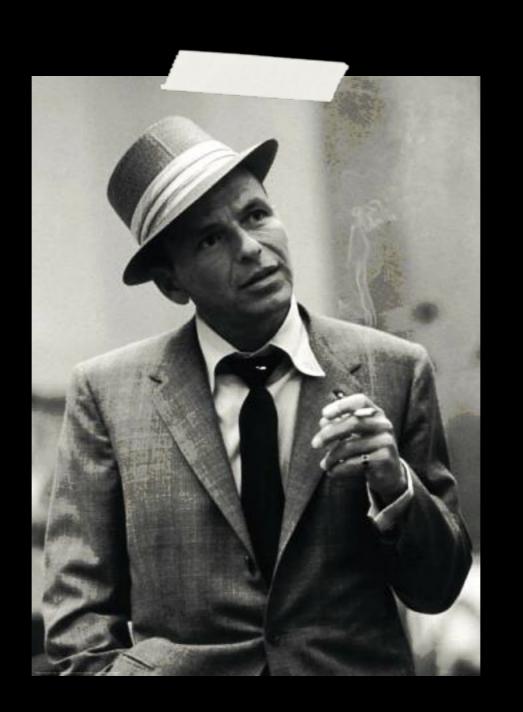
### Widgets

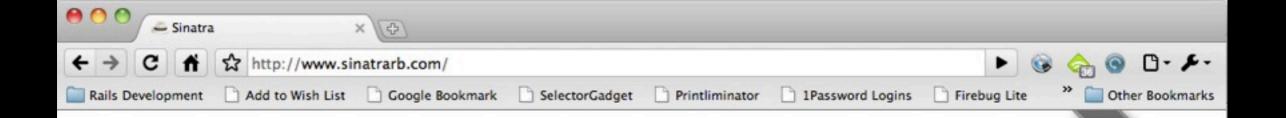
We wanted a way for people to embed a simple little widget on their website that pulled upcoming events from our directory, but we also wanted people to be able to customize it easily. widgets.active.com is what we've come up with. The widget itself is all Javascript. The site for configuring the widget is a small little Sinatra app running on thin behind nginx

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localhost - - [23/Mar/2010:11:54:40 PDT] "GET / HTTP/1.1" 200 0
- -> /
localhost - - [23/Mar/2010:11:54:40 PDT] "GET /stylesheets/reset-
fonts.css HTTP/1.1" 200 0
http://localhost:4000/ -> /stylesheets/reset-fonts.css
localhost - - [23/Mar/2010:11:54:40 PDT] "GET /stylesheets/
screen.css HTTP/1.1" 200 0
http://localhost:4000/ -> /stylesheets/screen.css
localhost - - [23/Mar/2010:11:54:40 PDT] "GET /stylesheets/
syntax.css HTTP/1.1" 200 0
http://localhost:4000/ -> /stylesheets/syntax.css
localhost - - [23/Mar/2010:11:54:40 PDT] "GET /javascripts/
prototype.js HTTP/1.1" 200 0
http://localhost:4000/ -> /javascripts/prototype.js
localhost - - [23/Mar/2010:11:54:40 PDT] "GET /javascripts/
effects.js HTTP/1.1" 200 0
http://localhost:4000/ -> /javascripts/effects.js
localhost - - [23/Mar/2010:11:54:40 PDT] "GET /javascripts/stack.js
HTTP/1.1" 200 0
http://localhost:4000/ -> /javascripts/stack.js
[2010-03-23 11:54:41] ERROR `/favicon.ico' not found.
localhost - [23/Mar/2010:11:54:41 PDT] "GET /favicon.ico HTTP/1.1"
404 281
```



## questions?





## Sinatra

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## Put this in your pipe

require 'rubygems'
require 'sinatra'
get '/hi' do
 "Hello World!"
end

and smoke it

```
$ gem install sinatra
$ ruby hi.rb
== Sinatra has taken the stage ...
>> Listening on 0.0.0.0:4567
```

```
hi.rb
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require 'rubygems'
require 'sinatra'
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   "Hello World!"
end
```

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http://localhost:4567

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### http://localhost:4567/hi

Hello World!



```
require 'rubygems'
require 'sinatra'
get '/hi' do
"Hello World!"
end
```

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```
get '/hi' do
  "Hello World!"
end
```

```
get '/hi' do
"Hello World!"

end

"block"
```

get '/hi' do
 "Hello World!"
end

Whatever is returned from the block is sent to the browser

### Where's the return?

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The last statement in a block is always returned.

```
get '/hi' do
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end
```

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end

get '/hi' do
"Hello World!"
end

get '/hi' do
 return "Hello World!"
end

#### A slightly more complex example

```
beta.rb
require 'rubygems'
require 'sinatra'
get '/' do
 html = 'Welcome! Leave your email address for more info!''
  html += '<form method="post" action="/submit">'
  html += '<input type="text" name="email" /><input type="submit" /></form>'
 return html
end
post '/submit' do
  html = 'Thank you for your submission!''
 html += 'We will email ' + params['email']
 html += ' when we are ready to launch!'
 return html
end
```

#### demo sinatra/beta1

# Views

`-- beta.rb

# ero

Embedded Ruby

```
beta.rb
_____
require 'rubygems'
require 'sinatra'

get '/' do
   erb :index
end

post '/submit' do
   erb :submit
end
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 </form>

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<form method="post" action="/submit">
 <input type="text" name="email" />
 <input type="submit" />
</form>
views/submit.erb
Thank you for your submission!
We will email <%= params['email'] %> when we are ready to launch!
```

#### demo sinatra/beta2

# Layouts

```
|-- beta.rb
|-- views
|-- index.erb
|-- layout.erb
|-- submit.erb
```

```
views/layout.rb
------
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
        <title>Beta Info</title>
</head>
<body>
        <%= yield %>
</body>
</html>
```

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</html>
views/index.erb
Welcome! Leave your email address for more info!
<form method="post" action="/submit">
  <input type="text" name="email" />
 <input type="submit" />
</form>
```

#### demo sinatra/beta3

# Static Content

Images, stylesheets and Javascript

```
|-- beta.rb
|-- public
`-- views
|-- index.erb
|-- layout.erb
`-- submit.erb
```

```
|-- beta.rb
|-- public
| `-- stylesheets
| `-- shared.css
`-- views
|-- index.erb
|-- layout.erb
`-- submit.erb
```

#### demo sinatra/beta4

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The .rb file is more for dynamic URLs or gathering form fields for use later

# Dynamic URLs?

#### dynamic.rb

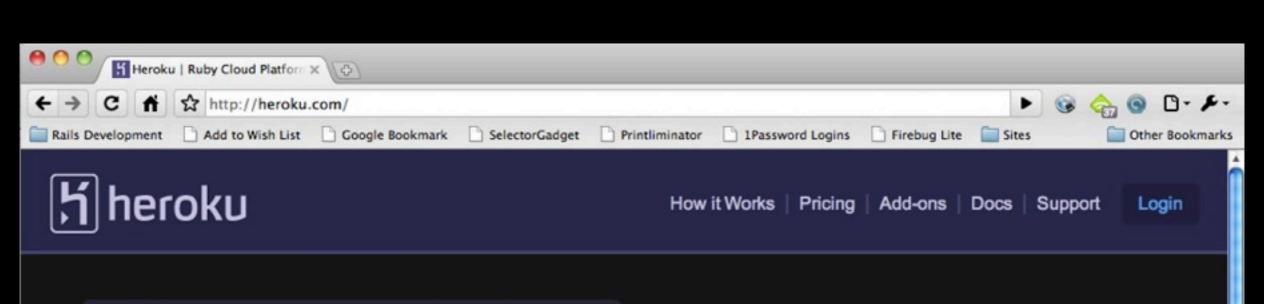
```
require 'rubygems'
require 'sinatra'

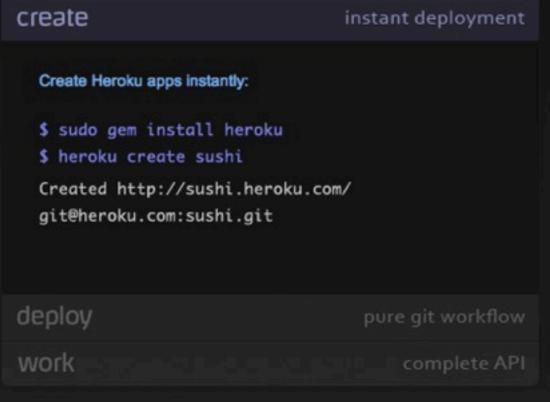
get '/' do
   'This is the homepage'
end

get '/:city' do
   'This is the ' + params['city'] + ' homepage'
end
```

#### demo sinatra/dynamic

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#### Heroku relies on Git.

# Git

Like subversion, but more powerful (and complex)

rob\$ git init .

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University/sinatra/heroku1/.git/

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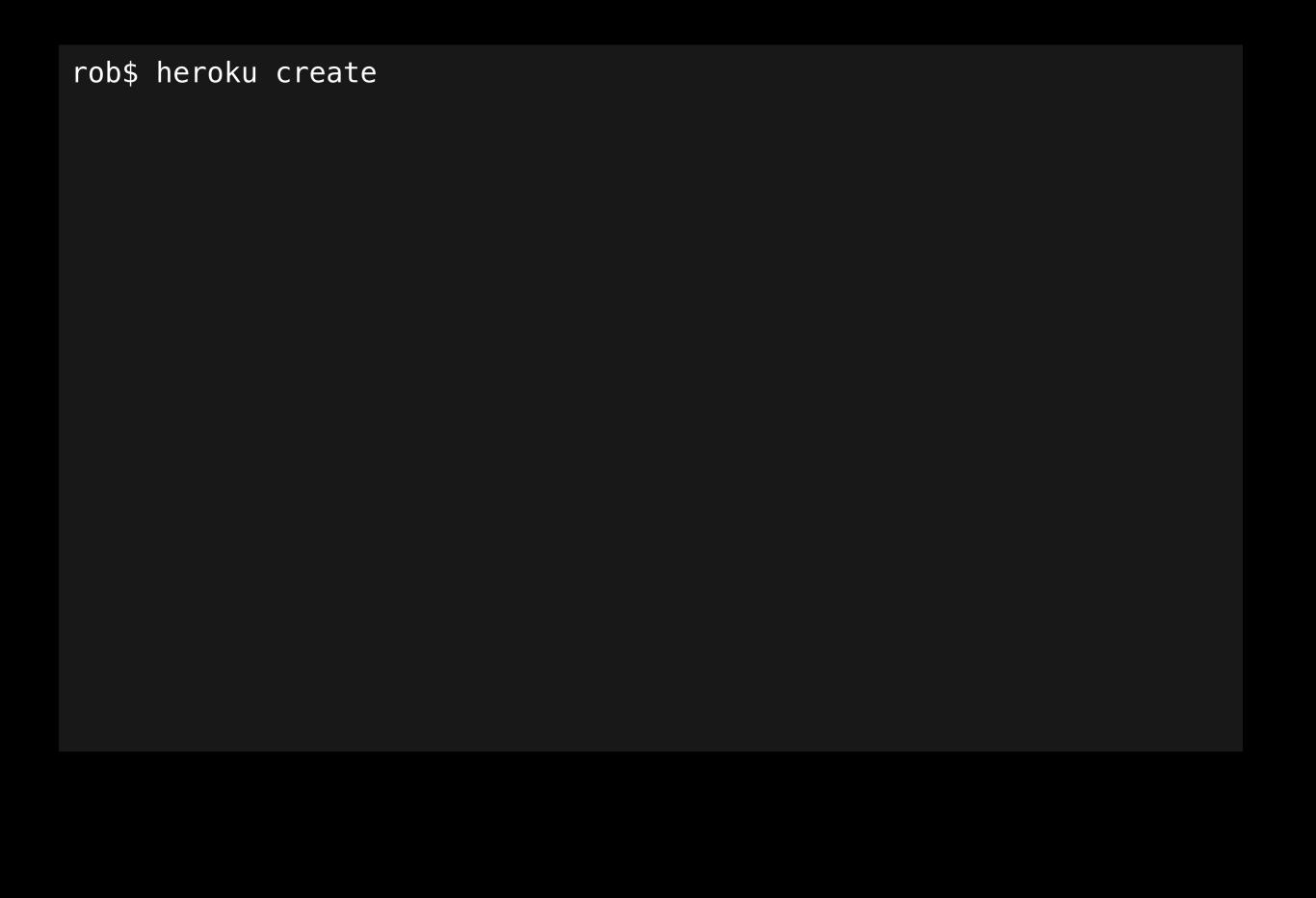
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rob$ git commit -m 'First commit'
[master (root-commit) d2f7469] First commit
   5 files changed, 31 insertions(+), 0 deletions(-)
   create mode 100644 beta.rb
   create mode 100644 public/stylesheets/shared.css
   create mode 100644 views/index.erb
   create mode 100644 views/layout.erb
   create mode 100644 views/submit.erb
```

#### Our app is version controlled



```
rob$ heroku create
Creating blooming-sunrise-28... done!
Created http://blooming-sunrise-28.heroku.com/ |
git@heroku.com:blooming-sunrise-28.git
Git remote heroku added
```

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rob$ git push heroku master
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rob$ git push heroku master
Counting objects: 10, done.
Delta compression using up to 2 threads.
Compressing objects: 100% (8/8), done.
Writing objects: 100% (10/10), 1009 bytes, done.
Total 10 (delta 0), reused 0 (delta 0)
----> Heroku receiving push
! Heroku push rejected, no Rails or Rack app detected.
error: hooks/pre-receive exited with error code 1
To git@heroku.com:blooming-sunrise-28.git
 ! [remote rejected] master -> master (pre-receive hook declined)
error: failed to push some refs to 'git@heroku.com:blooming-
sunrise-28.git'
```

#### demo sinatra/heroku1

## One thing missing

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# config.ru

```
beta.rb
-- config.ru
-- public
     -- stylesheets
         -- shared.css
   views
    -- index.erb
    |-- layout.erb
    -- submit.erb
```

config.ru

require 'beta'
run Sinatra::Application



rob\$ git add .
rob\$ git commit -m 'Added config.ru file for heroku'

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rob\$ git commit -m 'Added config ru file for heroku'
[master 7b8ab4f] Added config ru file for heroku
 1 files changed, 2 insertions(+), 0 deletions(-)
 create mode 100644 config ru

rob\$ git add .

rob\$ git commit -m 'Added config.ru file for heroku'
[master 7b8ab4f] Added config.ru file for heroku
 1 files changed, 2 insertions(+), 0 deletions(-)
 create mode 100644 config.ru

rob\$ git push heroku master

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[master 7b8ab4f] Added config.ru file for heroku
1 files changed, 2 insertions(+), 0 deletions(-)
create mode 100644 config.ru
rob$ git push heroku master
Counting objects: 13, done.
Delta compression using up to 2 threads.
Compressing objects: 100% (10/10), done.
Writing objects: 100% (13/13), 1.27 KiB, done.
Total 13 (delta 1), reused 0 (delta 0)
----> Heroku receiving push
----> Sinatra app detected
       Compiled slug size is 4K
----> Launching.... done
      http://blooming-sunrise-28.heroku.com deployed to Heroku
To git@heroku.com:blooming-sunrise-28.git
* [new branch] master -> master
```

#### demo sinatra/heroku2

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- 7. git push heroku master

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#### Installation

Ruby 1.8.6 or higher <a href="http://ruby-lang.org">http://ruby-lang.org</a>

Rubygems 1.3.6 <a href="http://rubyforge.org/projects/rubygems">http://rubyforge.org/projects/rubygems</a>

Get Serve, Sinatra and Heroku gems gem install serve sinatra heroku

Git http://git-scm.com/download

#### Resources

Ruby Homepage

http://ruby-lang.org

Sinatra Homepage

http://www.sinatrarb.com

Heroku Homepage

http://heroku.com

Git Homepage

http://git-scm.com

Example Code

http://empty-journey-91.heroku.com/

## The Enc