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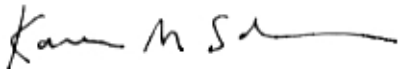
FOREWORD

Dear GNOME Lovers,

Welcome to GNOME! If you're reading this, though, it's because you're already here. You've contributed – you're already an important part of our community. Whether it's because you participated in Google's Summer of Code, our own Outreach Program for Women or joined as part of another outreach effort, you've helped make GNOME what it is. As a free and open source software project, we are our community. And we need your new ideas, enthusiasm and commitment to be the best desktop software for everyone. As executive director of the GNOME Foundation and a mentor in the OPW, I hope you use all of the resources we can provide you to integrate fully into the community. Don't hesitate to say hi to folks you don't know, to participate on mailing lists and to keep diving in. As a software freedom advocate, I hope you are as moved and inspired as I am by your fellow contributors and just get a kick out of making the world a better place through improving our software.

For the wisened and experienced old skool GNOME hackers – if you flip through this book, please take the time to get to know our newest contributors. Don't forget what it's like to get started. If you can, offer to lend a hand!

Next year, I hope all of the newcomers in this book have fully joined the ranks of the experienced hackers, have taken satisfaction in contributing to our project and have perhaps even extended a hand to new newcomers...



Karen Sandler
Executive Director,
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WORDS BY THE GNOME OUTREACH ADMINS

Dear interns,

The GNOME community is thrilled to have you participating in the three months internships with the project! We hope you are finding your way around, making friends with other contributors, and seeing the difference your work makes in improving GNOME.

We would like to thank Google for sponsoring both Google Summer of Code and GNOME Outreach Program for Women internships. We also would like to thank Collabora, Mozilla, Red Hat, the Free Software Foundation, the Software Freedom Law Center, and the GNOME Foundation for sponsoring GNOME Outreach Program for Women internships. It is deeply valuable to the GNOME project that the generous support of these organizations allows you to focus three months of your life on GNOME.

In the last year, we've made various improvements in the program, such as making sure each intern connects with a potential mentor ahead of time, contributes a patch to the relevant module as part of the application process, and has blog posts with progress updates incorporated on Planet GNOME. The goal of these requirements is to help you connect with the project early on, make sure what you are proposing and working on is relevant, and give visibility to your work. We hope you find contributing to GNOME addictive and fun, and stick around after the end of your internships.

GNOME is People, and growing our community grows the potential of our software. We welcome you and what you bring to the community with open arms!

Sincerely,
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Daniel G. Siegel and Marina Zhurakhinskaya
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GOOGLE SUMMER OF CODE

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Jovanka

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„Likes interfaces, marzipan and Siouxsie and the Banshees“

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Studies: Computer Science
Location: Macedonia, Skopje

Tell us about your project!
I work on the GNOME Shell project which provides the core interface functions of GNOME 3. GNOME Shell makes sure that you access information efficiently and that you have pleasant user experience. My focus is on the improvement of the Message Tray.

Why this project and organization?
Because I enjoy creating comfortable, appealing and practical environments that are intuitive for the users. I'm thrilled to contribute to GNOME! It's a great project and working on it and improving it is a very gratifying and amazing experience.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
Web design and listening music. I also practice fencing and try to improve my cooking skills.

Any plans in the future?
Become a great front-end developer and make the perfect cheesecake.

Favorite travel experience?
Yet to come, putting my bets on GUADEC – La Coruña.

Favorite food?
Marzipan.

ANDISWA MVANYASHE

„My language, my identity“

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Location: Pretoria, South Africa

Tell us about your project!
I was translating GNOME apps from English Language to IsiXhosa language using Virtaal and Terminal to test my work.

Why this project and organization?
It is a growing and recognised NGO all over the world. It presented an opportunity I needed the most. Localization is a field a wanted to gain experience the most, especially from GNOME.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
I translate documents and softwares from English to isiXhosa even in my spare time.

Any plans in the future?
I want to start a translation and localization company. Continue with my research on IsiXhosa language until I graduate to be Dr. A. Mvanyashe.

Favorite travel experience?
I was never fortunate enough to travel besides going to rural areas for Christmas holidays in the same country (SA).

Favorite food?
Calamari and chips.

ANNA ZACCHI

„Everything should be as simple as it is, but not simpler.“
– Albert Einstein

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Studies: Computer Science
Location: Mantova, Italy

Tell us about your project!
I'm working on Documents. I will try to implement a plugin that incorporate Documents within Epiphany,

Why this project and organization?
Because I like the Documents project and I am interested in learning more about GNOME. I developed a program to manage documents for my dissertation, and I am interested in the possibility to expand it to Linux.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
I like hiking, reading, photography, and keeping contacts with friends on social networks.

Any plans in the future?
Develop my own application for managing documents and tasks. And walk the 800km of Camino de Santiago de Compostela.

Favorite travel experience?
Hiking in Alaska and a walking vacation in the Cotswolds (UK).

Favorite food?
Fruit and chocolate. And helvetia torte :)

I am attending GUADEC A Coruña, Spain

ANTIGONI PAPANTONI

„Live what you preach“

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Mentor: Jeff Fortin
Studies: Hardware Design, Photography
Location: Lausanne, Switzerland

Tell us about your project!
PiTiVi – ambitious movie editor – was at the stage of porting on GES, which made a lot of features to be broken and I worked on the undo/redo one. Then I tried to get myself into the title editor, but finally I didn't follow up for personal reasons :()

Why this project and organization?
I am fascinated by the images, as a means of expression, I love cinema, diy videos and photos. Also, I didn't have much experience on multimedia, from the developement point of view and I had no experience with Python and I wanted to get one!

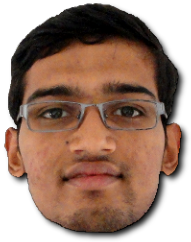
What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
I am searching for activities that make me wiser and happier!

Any plans in the future?
After exploring deeper my expression on photography, I want to combine it with the hacking and work on projects that I can feel myself, identified to.

Favorite travel experience?
While at the Scandinavian countries, realising HOW MUCH natural conditions, influence people's lives! From Greece to Scandinavia, exotic difference ;)!

Favorite food?
Whatever cooked with eggplant/aubergine!

ARTH PATEL



„Code, Eat, Sleep. – The way it's meant to be."

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Location: India

Tell us about your project!
My project is to design a hand-coded parser for GCalctool, default calculator application for GNOME desktop environment. It will make the code more portable by removing dependencies of flex and bison, automated tools for parser generation.

Why this project and organization?
It's one in a million chance when you get to apply your knowledge on parser and you get to do it in a big project like GCalctool. And, GNOME, I have loved it from the day I used it first.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
If I have my camera, photography. If not, hacking something else or gaming or some Sci-Fi movies.

Any plans in the future?
Yeah, keep coding. As they say,I would love to change the world, but they won't give me the source code.

Favorite travel experience?
Trip to Panchmadhi, with family members.

Favorite food?
Chocolates, sweets and ice cream.

BAPTISTE SALEIL

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Studies: Computer Science
Location: Montpellier, France

Tell us about your project!
My project aims to work on integration of GTG with GNOME Shell. By this way, the user could search for GTG tasks, or know what's planned for a day or another, and interact directly with GTG by GNOME Shell with a friendly and unified interface.

Why this project and organization?
This project because I use GTG and I would like to improve his user experience. I think that tasks on this kind of software must be accessible as quickly as possible. So, I had the idea to make a link between the power of GNOME Shell and features of GTG.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
When I'm not hacking on GNOME, I like play and listen music and take care of my garden. But of course, I like also make some hacks on GNOME or others Organizations- Softwares.

Any plans in the future?
I'll begin by finish my studies. After it, I'm thinking (only thinking for now) about create my own company on open source. What's sure is that I will continue to work on open source.

Favorite travel experience?
I spent some months in Canada. I discovered new people, ways of think, and others awesome things. It was a really great experience and it's a really awesome country.

Favorite food?
I love good meat, prepared with some vegetables (don't forget onions) some spices and cream. Add bread and wine to make this meal perfect ;)

BARBARA MURAUS

„Think like there is no box.“

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Tell us about your project!
My field is graphic design. I have started with designing symbolic icons (GNOME symbolic set, Apps Icons & Art Libre) and plan to continue with hi-res/full color icons for applications.

Why this project and organization?
Because it promotes sharing, collaboration and freedom.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
Listen to music, play drums, read books, collect vinyls, try to be an activist, slacklining. . .

Any plans in the future?
To change the world!

Favorite travel experience?
Following Pearl Jam – touring through many European cities.

Favorite food?
Burek (also known as börek). With cheese. Round variant.

BETH HADLEY

„When you smile, the whole world smiles back.“

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Studies: Computer Science
Location: Cambridge, USA

Tell us about your project!
My project brings music education to the popular children's activities suite, GCompris for GNOME. While playing the activities I created, children have fun learning how to play the piano, compose music, identify notes, interpret music theory, understand rhythm, and recognize music around the world.

Why this project and organization?
A year ago I began contributing to music21, an open source project developed at MIT to analyze music. I fell in love with using technology to understand music, and I enjoyed contributing to an open-source project. I have always valued children's education, so GCompris was a perfect fit.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
MIT classes keep me quite busy, but I find time to contribute to music21. I also love playing my clarinet, and I enjoy ice skating, sailing, and biking.

Any plans in the future?
I have many aspirations, but foremost I hope to use my knowledge of technology to improve people's lives. Personally, I hope to travel and work abroad.

Favorite travel experience?
This summer I am looking forward to traveling to Germany and Austria in association with my work for music21, as well as Spain for GUADEC. I am most excited to visit Mozart's home in Salzburg.

Favorite food?
Chicken Pot Pie.

CHRISTOPHER BAINES

„I enjoy music, tinkering with hardware and software, and robotics among other things.“

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Studies: Computer Science
Location: United Kingdom

Tell us about your project!
My project is to complete the migration from Python to Vala for the GNOME Sudoku game. I am also trying to improve and update the game for GNOME 3.

Why this project and organization?
I love using GNOME on my various devices, enjoy being able to both give something back in terms of development, and understand more about how GNOME works.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
Hacking on robots, Android development work, and some course related work as well.

Any plans in the future?
Ideas, but nothing really resembling a plan.

Favorite travel experience?
Visiting Germany was a great experience, I also love the work that people in Germany contribute to open source software, and other similar projects.

Favorite food?
Probably has to be pizza, although I am not fussy.

CHRISTY ELLER

„Apart, we were small, separate; together we were the best of us, a whole shimmering world.“ – Geneen Roth

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Project: Web Development, Marketing (Project Page)
Mentor: Allan Day
Location: Paonia, Colorado, USA

Tell us about your project!
I worked on web development, including the new GNOME „Friends“ pages, news.gnome.org, and other maintenance. I did graphic design projects like making hackergotchis and helping with an awesome new comic strip for the Women's Outreach Program. I also contributed to the Annual Report, and an award application. Currently, I am co-mentoring Elena Petrevska along with Andreas Nilsson.

Why this project and organization?
I chose these areas because thay fit my skill set, and I love design.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
I do freelance web design and development, and am currently working for a public radio station doing just that :)

Any plans in the future?
I'm not big on planning, but I do plan to enjoy myself.

Favorite travel experience?
Budapest was dreamy.

Favorite food?
Good grief! That is the hardest question you could possibly ask! All food is good, especially yellowfin tuna sushi :)

ELENA PETREVSKA

„Let's fix all the bugs!"

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Mentor: Christy Eller, Andreas Nilsson
Studies: Automation Technology
Location: Mannheim,Germany

Tell us about your project!
I am implementing the new look for all GNOME websites in HTML, CSS, Python (Moinmoin) and Perl (Bugzilla).

Why this project and organization?
As a GNU/Linux user, I constantly use the GNOME 3 environment. I was immediately amazed by the possibilities that this organization offers and felt that GWOP will be the right way for me to contribute to this community.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
NGOs, traveling (a lot), basketball, valleyball, preparing for university, solving calculus problems :), learning programming languages and reading books (theoretical physics).

Any plans in the future?
NOT to plan ANYTHING! :)

Favorite travel experience?
Last year, on a tour France–Switzerland, but I am sure this year's GUADEC will replace that!

Favorite food?
Salads, Salads, more Salads !

EMILY GONYER

„Not all those who wander are lost.“

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Location: Ohio, USA

Tell us about your project!
GNOME Clocks is a clock application for GNOME which I am developing with Seif Lotfy, Allan Day and Eslam Mostafa. It will allow users to quickly determine the time of day anywhere in the world, as well as set alarms, a timer and stop watch. I also previously worked with the Marketing Team during Outreach Program for Women during the previous round, working on news reports, quarterly reports and the 2010/2011 Annual Report.

Why this project and organization?
Because I have used GNOME for many years. It is a great feeling to finally be giving back to the community rather than simply being a user.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
Play with my kids, go swimming, hiking, camping, rock climbing and horse back riding.

Any plans in the future?
Keep working on GNOME!

Favorite travel experience?
Meeting my now-husband in the Bahamas :)

Favorite food?
Green Chili Enchiladas.

FABIANA P. SIMÕES

„Too much time and so little to do... Wait a minute! Strike that! Reverse it.“

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Location: Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Tell us about your project!
My project is about proposing a redesign for the Cheese app, which is an app that allows you to take photos and videos with a webcam. I want Cheese to be easy and incredibly fun to use!

Why this project and organization?
I've been using GNOME for quite a while now I was über excited when I found out it was possible to contribute to GNOME doing design work. I couldn't resist the urge to get involved!

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
Gimme all the books and video games you have!

Any plans in the future?
Sure! Besides keep working with the GNOME Design team, I want to finish my MS degree and, maybe, start a PhD.

Favorite travel experience?
I loved NY and Germany, but I'm betting GUADEC at A Coruña will be awesome!

Favorite food?
My world for a slice of key lime pie.

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„Let's hack together!“

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Location: Campinas, Brazil

Tell us about your project!
The main goal is improve libosinfo to support unattended installations of a great number of OSes in VM managers. The most important target to use out modifications is Boxes, so my project consists in the Boxes' port to use new libosinfo APIs too.

Why this project and organization?
Because GNOME rocks! Talking seriously, Boxes, despite newer, is a good project that can be compared with VMWare Player, and it's what the most part of Linux users (of course, I include myself) want to do using a virtual machine.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
I basically live my life listening music, looking for awesome places to eat, drinking some beer and some coffee, always with friends and Eliane.

Any plans in the future?
Keep contributing with libosinfo/boxes and, as I finished the University and don't have plans to do a master, try to find an open-source related work.

Favorite travel experience?
A reveillon in London, some years ago. First time that I saw snowflakes. 3 weeks drinking good beer, eating spice food with a friend from childhood.

Favorite food?
Barbecue, pork, italian, junkie food, japanese. Of course, together with ice cream as dessert.

FABIEN PARENT

„I forgot to write the docs – again“

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Tell us about your project!
I'm writing an UI for Nemiver to profile applications using perf. There is not much more to say except that I want to make Nemiver the ultimate debugging software for the GNOME environment and it starts with adding the profiling capability. Next I will work on an UI for memcheck.

Why this project and organization?
I love Nemiver, it is a very useful and very powerful debugging tool so I just want to improve it. And why did I choose GNOME ? I choose GNOME for the simple reason that I wanted to work on Nemiver and this software is part of GNOME.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
I sit on my couch eating Pringles.

Any plans in the future?
I don't usually plan anything beyond the next two weeks of my life, and for the next two weeks I planned to keep hacking on Nemiver :-)

Favorite travel experience?
Sadly I haven't traveled for the past 5-6 years and until now my travel experiences were not memorable. But since I'm almost done with school I will be able to start traveling again.

Favorite food?
Curly, Pringles, and everything that contains a lot of sugar.

FELIPE BORGES

„Don't Panic!“

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Studies: Computer Science
Location: Brazil

Tell us about your project!
My Task is to make Documents (gnome-documents) able to manage removable devices, also extending Tracker to provide the APIs we need to implement the feature. My work is basically divided into two main tasks: back-end side (Tracker) and front-end side (Documents UI).

Why this project and organization?
I've been a GNOME User for several years and I really like the community behind it. Documents is a delightful and pretty elegant application which uses Gjs and follows a design-based approach for new features.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
When I'm not in college, I like to read books, play video games, watch classic movies and, listen to music.

Any plans in the future?
Stay active in the GNOME Community and apply for GNOME Foundation membership.

Favorite travel experience?
A trip I made to Montevideu (Uruguay). The trip itself wasn't a big deal, but I loved it because I was accompanied by all my family members. We had a great time!

Favorite food?
A delicious vegetarian lasagna my mother makes. :)

GIOVANNI CAMPAGNA

„Bug free! Or free bugs?“

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Studies: Engineering of Computer Systems
Location: Milan, Italy

Tell us about your project!
My project consists of redesigning the screensaver and lock screen, to integrate it with GNOME Shell, including a new touch-friendly interface, multiple authentication forms through GDM and support for showing notifications while locked.

Why this project and organization?
I originally choose GNOME because it's the official GNU DE. Since then it has grown to be a complete UX solution, and I like that, because, ultimately, what matters is getting it on the end user hands. I've been working in the Shell before GSoC, so that went naturally when applying.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
Can I answer nothing? No seriously, I like hanging out with friends, partying, going around (physically, and in the virtual world). Not that I have much time for that, with university and everything. . .

Any plans in the future?
Short to medium term, my only plan is university, that is, finishing it as soon as possible. Then I'll consider finding a job, having a family, buying a house, the usual stuff... But that's way ahead!

Favorite travel experience?
I went to Thailand for IOI last year, and it was really amazing. Not just the competition, but also the place and people – it's completely different from where I live.

Favorite food?
They say, there is nothing a good piece of chocolate can't fix. I must admit that principle works pretty well.

GOPAL KRISHNAN

„ERTW“

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Mentor: Robert Ancell
Studies: Software Engineering
Location: Toronto, Canada

Tell us about your project!
I'm working on making a history view for GCalctool. This will allow you to see your previous calculations and even easily select previous them.

Why this project and organization?
The project was a great challenge involving a new language: C. I had been using the GNOME desktop since the beginning of second year and I absolutely loved it which further made me take this. Most important of all, Tiffany Antopolski introduced me to all of this which got me interested.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
Besides the usual gaming, I work with blackberry 10's native development kit so that I can master it by the time blackberry 10 comes out. I intend to release a couple of applications for it which is why I am doing this.

Any plans in the future?
I hope to get an internship with RIM or Microsoft next summer so that I can learn more software development and apply them in their operating systems. In addition, I also plan to open my software company to release applications for various ecosystems like iOS and blackberry. Watch out for it!

Favorite travel experience?
My favourite travel experience was driving from Toronto to Halifax in Canada. It's a long ride but if you make a stopover at Quebec City and Montreal you make the trip even more enjoyable. Nothing so far has beaten this experience.

Favorite food?
Chinese-Indian Fusion! This is my favourite type of cuisine and its awesome! Try it out sometime :)

IZIDOR MATUŠOV

„Instead of switching ToDO lists, I hack on the awesome one.“

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Tell us about your project!
GTG is a great personal task manager. Why not for the whole team? My goal is to make GTG usable for small teams where you can share a sublist of your tasks to your teammates, assign people to tasks and watch how the team get things done.

Why this project and organization?
I tried many ToDO lists but none of them suited me well until I found GTG. Instead of switching to another app I hack the feature I need. And I needed to share a task or two with Lionel. . .

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
Learning foreign languages, getting better at public speaking. When you see that you are a little bit better at something, it is very addictive :)

Any plans in the future?
Finish ongoing initiatives in GTG (Gtk+ 3, redesign, etc.) and make it even more awesome. In the mean time, finish my studies.

Favorite travel experience?
During FOSDEM 2012 when I was walking in Brussels and it was snowing – the traffic infrastructure collapsed in front of my eyes.

Favorite food?
Bryndzové halušky – yummy food from Slovakia.

JOOST VERDOORN

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Tell us about your project!
I'm building a new version of the Apps View in the Overview of GNOME Shell. It's a bit controversial: I will remove the default categories and replace them with user-defined pages, where the user is in control of where they want to place their apps.

Why this project and organization?
I've moved from Ubuntu's Unity to GNOME Shell right after GNOME 3 was launched. I didn't like Ubuntu's way of doing things, and I didn't like Unity's looks. I've been using GNOME Shell happily since, it's a really great desktop environment.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
I'm a student: I like to drink some beers with friends, hang out with my girlfriend, and maybe play a videogame every now and then.

Any plans in the future?
Lots of plans, of course! Unfortunately I can't detail them all in the allocated space ;).

Favorite travel experience?
I like to travel, though I've never been outside of Europe. I really like to hitchhike around the countryside, meet locals etc.

Favorite food?
I'm a pretty decent cook, and I like to cook Italian: risotto, numerous pastas etc.

JOVANKA GULICOSKA

„I hate proving I'm right."

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Tell us about your project!
I'm implementing save/load of virtual machines in Boxes, allowing the user to save his work and continue from where he left off, as well as enabling downloadable ready-made VMs so you can easily create a VM with the OS of your choice.

Why this project and organization?
I just love the way GNOME community works. Why Boxes? Because virtualization presents me with a challenge.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
Hmmm... Let's see... Spend time in SkopjeHacklab KIKA! :)

When in my home town (Struga) I enjoy a good coffee and a walk by the lake.

Any plans in the future?
Spread the awareness about free software in my contry, continue contributing to GNOME and find a dream job developing open source software.

Favorite travel experience?
Vienna, any time of the year.

Favorite food?
Everything that I cook :)

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LAURENT CONTZEN

„A catch phrase? Why not Zoidberg?“

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Tell us about your project!
My project is to implement a new library providing models and Gtk+ widgets to display and choose contacts that could be used by any GNOME application. This will improve IM/Social features in a lot of GNOME application and use Telepathy tubes.

Why this project and organization?
I've been using GNOME for years, some friends are GNOME contributors since a long time and I wanted to do a GSoC for a few years so it seemed obvious to me. This project idea motivated me because it could be usefull in a lot of GNOME softwares.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
I like participating in students activities organisation, music, going out with friends, hiking, reading, good food, etc.

Any plans in the future?
I'd like to continue hacking on GNOME while finishing my master studies, along with my students association activities.

Favorite travel experience?
I really love going to the French Alps, in winter as well as in summer. Besides that, I really love London.

Favorite food?
I mainly like good French cooking, barbecued meat and burgers.

MARTA BOGDANOWICZ

„Horses, Vikings, scrapbooking, reading... Life's too short."

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Tell us about your project!
I was writing documentation in Mallard format for Brasero, File-Roller and Totem.

Why this project and organization?
I was told into this project by my husband and friends. Sounded like fun.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
Handicraft, reading insane amounts of books, cooking.

Any plans in the future?
Dreaming about writing a book with my own illustrations.

Favorite travel experience?
Answer for this question will have to wait until I see Sognefjord in Norway. :)

Favorite food?
Gołąbki (http://polishfoodrecipes.blogspot.de/2008/03/gobki-golabki-cabbage-rolls-recipe.html) and cheesecake :]

MARTA MARIA CASETTI

„Curiouser and curiouser!“

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Studies: Mathematics
Location: London, England

Tell us about your project!
My project is to write a tutorial for Python programmers who would like to start using Gtk+ 3. In practice, a lot of examples of widgets, plus a couple of „theory“ pages.

Why this project and organization?
Because I never tried documentation, because I never really tried to write GUIs, and because I would like to learn more Python; because I have been using GNOME for more than five years and I would like to give back to the community!

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
I like to cook, and to eat good food - especially with my wonderful husband. And I love many other things that don't fit in this space.

Any plans in the future?
To become a better programmer! And to have a lot of fun. . .

Favorite travel experience?
Almost anything involving trains is wonderful.

Favorite food?
Almost everything (I hate cucumber & melon), particularly if it involves raw ingredients!

I am attending GUADEC A Coruña, Spain

MATILDA BERNARD

„Love challenges... pythonista... absolute foodie...“

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Location: New Delhi, India

Tell us about your project!
I get to make these really cute space related and other miscellaneous activities to be added to GCompris (an educational suite for kids). It is so much fun making them and that too using my favorite language – Python.

Why this project and organization?
GCompris is fun and innovative learning and the whole idea of making games for kids is just so exciting. Plus of course I get to do it using Python.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
Hack on something else ;) . Well, I like dancing, cooking (mostly chocolates – make them and then eat most of them up myself), music, running and other activities that help to counterbalance the time spent hacking at home.

Any plans in the future?
To try making more complex games, get more involved with GNOME and save the world!

Favorite travel experience?
My trip to Goa (India) was one of the best trips I've been to. Beaches, seafood and just loads of fun!

Favorite food?
Chocolates and icecream! And oh! pizzas, pasta, prawns and... well, the list is way to long. I'm a complete foodie and love trying different cuisines.

MEG FORD

„Alekhine is a poet who creates a work of art out of something that would hardly inspire another man to send home a picture post card.“ – Max Euwe

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Tell us about your project!
I'm writing Properties and Sharing dialogs for Documents. This is a cool project since it involves design, and UI and database. It's a nice balance of challenging coding and aesthetic interest.

Why this project and organization?
I was an OPW intern last summer and I loved working on GNOME. I was keen to continue and to learn about GNOME technologies. Documents is cutting edge; I thought there was no way I would be accepted to work on it, so I am really happy!

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
Drawing, painting, reading fiction, yoga, ecology.

Any plans in the future?
I'm studying front-end software dev since it uses design and coding skills. I'm helping other women from Chicago plan an Openhatch Python workshop.

Favorite travel experience?
Sliding down cliffs in northern California.

Favorite food?
McIntosh apples and coffee.

MENDY MENG

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Location: Mississauga, Canada

Tell us about your project!
I am working on sample codes and tutorials for the Developer Documentation for C. My goal is to make it easy to understand for beginners who have a very light background in the C programming language. This can be done by providing comments outlining what each section of the code does, as well as links to appropriate functions for the user to refer to. These will hopefully aid and encourage future developers when choosing C as their language of choice for Gtk+ 3!

Why this project and organization?
I really do love the idea of being a part of a grand community that has so many talented and intelligent people such as GNOME. Furthermore, I also wanted to try taking my first step into the world of free software, and this particular project was, to me, a great choice.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
Watching movies, biking, playing piano, and many other things in-between.

Any plans in the future?
Besides taking over the world via programmed robots? Well, I would love to find future ways to contribute to GNOME, and to also learn at least one other language.

Favorite travel experience?
Haven't had any related to GNOME sadly.

Favorite food?
McCain chocolate cake. The most delicious thing.

MORITZ LÜDECKE

„Sic parvis magna.“
(„Greatness from small beginnings.“)
– Sir Francis Drake

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Tell us about your project!
My mission is to bring clang magic to Anjuta. Clang is a compiler front-end for the LLVM compiler. With this compiler front-end we can get better results in Anjuta. For example if you make a simple mistake by writing code Anjuta will warn you.

Why this project and organization?
All cool programs start by writing code. This first step can be facilitated by improving the developer tools. This is why I chose Anjuta. And why GNOME? Because I love GNOME and I want give a little back from my love. ;-)

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
I like to jog and listen to music.

Any plans in the future?
I would like to support more open source projects, because I like the idea and believe in its philosophy.

Favorite travel experience?
Alsace and Berlin.

Favorite food?
Lasagna

NGEWI FET

„Creating software for human beings, one line at a time.“

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Tell us about your project!
GnuCash for Android is an app which allows users to track expenses on-the-go and import the expenses into the desktop version of GnuCash. The application will export the recorded expenses in the Open Financial Exchange (OFX) format.

Why this project and organization?
Computing is going mobile and the software we use needs to adapt as well. I find Android a compelling development platform and that coupled with my interest in mobile finance management spurred me to introduce Gnucash to Android.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
Reading, cycling and travelling

Any plans in the future?
Hack some more!

Favorite travel experience?
Road trip to Oktoberfest in Munich.

Favorite food?
Fried plantains and roasted fish with hot pepper sauce.

PATRICIA SANTANA CRUZ

„Learning and travelling are my passions!“

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Location: Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Spain

Tell us about your project!
I have been working on Cheese. My main task was to add support for sharing videos and images within different technologies, making use of the nautilus-sendto library. I also added hotplug connection of camera devices, and added recorded time when making videos. Apart from this, I filed and solved some bugs for Cheese, nautilus-sendto, Gtk+ and Vala.

Why this project and organization?
I am using GNOME for several years now and I have been always contributing in a way or another. In the past, mostly spreading the word, but I wanted to help in a more active way with my knowledge, which is what I am doing now. GNOME for me, is a synonym of knowledge, and learning is my passion, as I said before.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
Travelling, definitely! I also love hiking, dancing salsa, learning languages, cooking and feel completely attracted to photography.

Any plans in the future?
I would love to go on contributing to GNOME in any way, and also try some other bits of it!

Favorite travel experience?
I had to spend some weeks in New York City due to an internship, some years ago. It was my favorite travel experience in many ways.

Favorite food?
Asian, definitely!

RADINA MATIC

„Give your brain as much attention as you do your hair and you'll be a thousand times better off."
– Malcolm X

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Tell us about your project!
I'm a late Linux bloomer – installed my first only a few years back and used it solely as a home entertainment box. Getting Things GNOME! (GTG) entered my life when I started collaborating by updating the Spanish, Italian and Catalan locale, exchanged some ideas about the GUI improvements on the mailing list, and finally offered to write the User Documentation in Mallard as a GOPW project. It's been an interesting adventure working with my mentors and the devs, and we are almost ready to integrate the first version of the docs into the next release of GTG! :)

Why this project and organization?
Because GTG is the best task manager app, and the development team is an awesome group of people!

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
When I'm not crashing (on) GTG Launchpad, I enjoy photography, science museums, bricolage, hiking, my cactus and succulent plant collection, vine...

Any plans in the future?
I am hoping to shift most of my professional projects and engagements to the open source world.

Favorite travel experience?
Yellowstone and the Big Island of Hawaii.

Favorite food?
I am not picky, but I like to add spice to life and that includes food too...;)

RICHARD SCHWARTING

„Don't Forget To Be Awesome"

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Location: Guelph, Canada

Tell us about your project!
My project produces an XML serialisation API. It is based on GXml, a humane XML API for GNOME, and complements json-glib, the JSON serialisation API for GLib.

Why this project and organization?
It helps simplify serialising GObjects to a format that can be easily transmitted and stored. It's a feature I've wanted, and provides an opportunity to exercise GXml. I love GNOME, its open community and its goals.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
Recently, my Masters. I also like sword arts (iaido, kendo, jodo), adventures, nature and enjoying the company of fine friends.

Any plans in the future?
I'd like to work in open source and live minimally all over the world.

Favorite travel experience?
Split between living in New Zealand for almost a year and attending my first GUADEC last year in Berlin where I found „my people".

Favorite food?
Ice cream. I'm vegan, so these days this means coconut and soy-based ice cream.

RIKO YAMADA

„One million monkeys write Shakespeare!“

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Location: Osaka, Japan

Tell us about your project!
I'm doing my internship in GUPnP project. GUPnP is a communication library enabling devices to publish and discover services through HTTP protocol. It is one of the core components for home media sharing.

Why this project and organization?
Smart devices and intelligent media sharing will be prevalent. This project provides me a hard-to-find opportunity to look inside the underlying communication techniques.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
Cooking and reading.

Any plans in the future?
Probably want to learn a functional language, like Lisp or Haskell.

Favorite travel experience?
The trip to Bangkok in Thailand last year was really a good one. The scene was gorgeous.

Favorite food?
Sea weed roll and ramen.

RŪDOLFS MAZURS

„I believe in freedom and accessibility.“

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Project: Pessulus (Project Page)
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Location: Rīga, Latvia

Tell us about your project!
I'm working on a GNOME configuration lockdown manager. It would help network administrators easily configure a network for their needs.

Why this project and organization?
I love GNOME because it is easy to use for everyday tasks, and one thing it lacked was an up-to-date computer configuration tool for administrators.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
Translating for GNOME :). Also photography, biking and play computer games (if there is time).

Any plans in the future?
Grow the local translator community so I could retire one day with a clear conscience.

Favorite travel experience?
Trip to Peru, the weather and the sights were great.

Favorite food?
Fried chicken with rice and a glass of kefir.

SOPHIA YU

„Sweet Niblets!“

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Tell us about your project!
I took part in the GNOME Games project in the winter of 2011. That was a great project with a lot of fun. GNOME Games is the umbrella name for 13 or so little desktop games. With the advent of GNOME/Gtk+ 3 the projects faced a lot of changes. I contributed to various games with the focus on migration SwellFoop from old JavaScript code to Vala.

Why this project and organization?
Three reasons: first, every game was with a short and self-contained codebase therefore understanding the code and getting started was very easy. Second, we had a very clear roadmap with feasible and well-specified aims (thanks to Robert Ancell). Third, Clutter and Vala were two big things in the era of GNOME 3 and I wanted to learn something about them.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
Hang out with friends and watch comedy TV shows.

Any plans in the future?
Raise a cat.

Favorite travel experience?
The trip to Los Angles in 2010 summer was the most unforgettable. Disneyland, Universal Studio, the Sea World, Hollywood, Monica beach, etc, etc, the whole week was full of excitements.

Favorite food?
Dumplings.

STEFANO CANDORI

„First, solve the problem. Then, write the code.“

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Tell us about your project!
The proposed project is about combining support for overviewing and re-finding past, current and future user activities in one user interface. Hence, I will revamp and rewrite the current Activity Journal application. Beyond mapping out a user's past and current doings, the journal's UI-metaphor time lends itself to be further leveraged for reminding a user about upcoming stuff.

Why this project and organization?
I proposed this project because I'm the main developer and current maintainer of the old Activity Journal and I want to see it included in GNOME by default, together with Zeitgeist. I've chosen GNOME as organization because it's the only DE I've ever used, loved and hacked :).

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
I'm an agonist swimmer and in my spare time when I don't hack on something I play the guitar or I ride my bike.

Any plans in the future?
In the near future I would like to improve my involvement in GNOME and in other open source projects. Then, I'd like to travel more than I actually do, for example to have a journey in America and attend more open source conferences.

Favorite travel experience?
I hope that the next GUADEC travel in A Coruña will become my favorite one. . . :)

Favorite food?
Well. . . since I'm Italian, the obvious answer is Spaghetti and Pizza!

STEVE SCHEEL

„Segfaults are just the computer's way of keeping our ego in check."

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Mentor: Luca Invernizzi
Studies: Computer Science
Location: United States

Tell us about your project!
I am porting the task editor for Getting Things GNOME up to Gtk+ 3, adding some wishlist features and rich text editing as well.

Why this project and organization?
GNOME is an amazing community plus I use it everyday and wanted to give back to the it.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
Read, play guitar and drums, and play or watch sports.

Any plans in the future?
Continue working with GNOME and live the American Dream.

Favorite travel experience?
I travelled the Washington D.C. and Virginia area when I was young.

Favorite food?
Like many college students, pizza.

SUSANNA HUHTANEN

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Tell us about your project!
I am working on developer documentation for JavaScript.

Why this project and organization?
Every coder should do documentation at some point in their lives. It makes us better persons. We start coding more clearly, the handover of projects becomes easier when everything is documented at least in some form.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
I toy around with a Medieval Cannon.

Any plans in the future?
It seems I'm heading towards mobile development.

Favorite travel experience?
Being in the desert of Sahara, sitting on a dyne and watching the sun go up and after sunrise, turning around and beginning the journey home (walk, camel, bus, train, boat, plane, bus, walk).

Favorite food?
Right now I can't decide between sushi and lasagne.

I am attending GUADEC A Coruña, Spain

TANNER DOSHIER

„The best learning is doing.“

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Studies: Computer Engineering
Location: USA

Tell us about your project!
My task is to improve the search system in GNOME Shell. This is mostly about presentation, but some new stuff will come along as well.

Why this project and organization?
I love GNOME and open-source software in general. I wanted to contribute to something I actually use every-day, so what better than GNOME Shell. The search system update was something that needed doing, so I proposed it.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
Watch good – though sometimes bad – movies, TV shows, play games, and generally just try to do something engaging.

Any plans in the future?
It would be nice to graduate! Other than that, I would love to make a living through open-source work.

Favorite travel experience?
I always enjoy a trip with time spent on the river and/or in the mountains.

Favorite food?
Spicy.

TARYN FOX

„Making GNOME development accessible (and fun!) for newbies is what I'm here for."

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Tell us about your project!
JavaScript is probably the world's most popular web language, and GNOME Shell takes advantage of that. I'm writing updated documentation so everyone else can as well, especially kids and GNOME newbies with a bit of web experience.

Why this project and organization?
Because I wanted to write applications for my favourite desktop, but I quickly found out that there was a greater need for documentation to help poor newbies like me! Also because it seemed like a great opportunity to learn and give back.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
Write silly and introspective things on Dreamwidth, about loved ones, identity, and spirituality. Also, play pen-and-paper roleplaying games.

Any plans in the future?
I'm planning to apply to this fall's WebFwd, and create a web app that ties into the GNOME desktop!

Favorite travel experience?
Visiting Vermont in the summer, and feeling like I'd stepped onto another planet where everything was beautiful and there were no billboards.

Favorite food?
Vegan samosas!

TIMO DÖRR

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Tell us about your project!
I am working on improving the Banshee Mac OS X port. This includes integrating some of the addins provided by the Banshee Community Repository (BCE) to OS X as well as provide native OS X experience like native file dialogs as well as OS X specific hardware support for mobile media devices.

Why this project and organization?
Banshee is just THE best open source media player out there and it's poor OS X support had to be brought up to pace of it's Linux version.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
I'm a enthusiast freestyle-slalom inline skater trying hard to improve my tricks and take part in competitions. I also just recently passed training to be a licensed paraglider pilot, which allows me to fly freely through the air and see the things from above.

Any plans in the future?
Pass my exams and become a self-employed software engineer or consultant working in (or at least with) the open source community.

Favorite travel experience?
Flying with my paraglider through the Austrian Alps was one of the greatest experience I've ever had.

Favorite food?
Pizza, of course.

UDESH LIYANAARACHCHI

„Simple Code, More Work“

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Location: Galle, Sri Lanka

Tell us about your project!
The idea is to add voice control for Banshee media player to improve its accessibility. The plan is to let the user do basic controls through his voice which will be helpful for the people who can't use the normal mouse controls.

Why this project and organization?
With the advent of GNOME 3, a new, exciting path in terms of usability has started. This drive is not only necessary for those with disabilities but is also increasingly needed for our devices work for any user. So this project will be beneficial in covering an application that would otherwise not be receiving special attention in this area.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
When not hacking for GNOME I like building desktop applications and programs to make my own work easy for Ubuntu and also for other systems. I have a strong desire to develop mobile applications. I like travelling and reading books. I like playing my violin in my free times.

Any plans in the future?
I like to work for an organization which has the similar background as GNOME and Mono projects. In addition I have a strong desire to join a research project for Speech Recognition and do my higher studies from that field.

Favorite travel experience?
I participated in GNOME & Mono Festival of Love which was held in Boston MA.

Favorite food?
Rice with fish curry and vegetable salads. I like to experience different kind of desserts and fruits.

VALENTÍN BARROS

„I'd like to start my own company to realize the dream of being my own boss."

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Tell us about your project!
Last GSoC I started adding a new feature to Shotwell called „Faces tool", which consist in the ability to mark a person's face in a photo. This year I'm trying to add face detection and recognition to make the tagging process more confortable.

Why this project and organization?
Because I like Shotwell and I think that there are some things I can do to improve it and manage my thousands of photos in a more confortable and powerful way – and, by the way, I really like programing with Vala :)

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
I like to investigate about new development tools – but, when I'm not programing, the thing I like to do is to have some beers with my friends.

Any plans in the future?
I'd like to start my own company, maybe something not so awesome to be called a „start-up", but that could realize the dream of being my own boss.

Favorite travel experience?
Maybe one trip some years ago, when I went with my friends and my first girlfriend to some place called Salou, here in Spain.

Favorite food?
Pasta and pizza.

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YANN SOUBEYRAND

„I've two addictions: computing and cross country skiing."

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Tell us about your project!
My project aims to bring phishing and malware protection to the GNOME desktop. It will be so by using the Google Safe Browsing API and will offer a way to applications to check URLs.

Why this project and organization?
Because I'm using GNOME exclusively on my computers since 2006 and I love it.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
I love spending time on Internet to learn all kinds of things about computing (especially programming and system administration). I also practice cross country skiing in competition.

Any plans in the future?
I'll try to find a job in computing that lets me continuing cross country skiing as it's difficult to conciliate both. Of course I'll try to keep getting involved in GNOME.

Favorite travel experience?
All the travels I did for cross country skiing competitions.

Favorite food?
Everything based on cheese (French cheese ;-))!

ŽAN DOBERŠEK

„Look at yourself. Now back to me. Now back to yourself. Now back to me. I'm in a yearbook."

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Tell us about your project!
The project will bring support for the Gamepad API to WebKitGtk+, the Gtk+ port of the popular WebKit web engine, and support for gamepad devices in the GNOME environment, hopefully paving the way for HTML games availability in GNOME.

Why this project and organization?
I have been hacking on WebKitGtk+ for a few years now and would like to improve the particular project in many ways. The WebKitGtk+ (and GNOME) community is positive, progressive and enjoyable enough for me to work in it.

What do you like to do when not hacking on GNOME?
Riding my bike, listening to music, lately also reading.

Any plans in the future?
A sufficient job to live a modest life - no yachts and mansions, don't need them.

Favorite travel experience?
I like Paris, but am not a big fan of traveling in general (at least not for reasons related to tourism).

Favorite food?
Pasta with salad.

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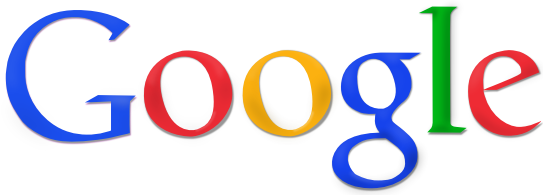

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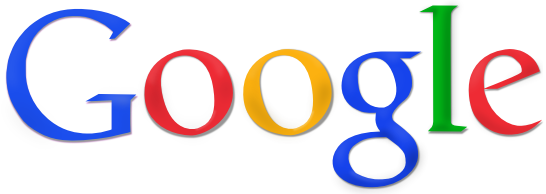

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