

FACTSHEET

ABOUT

Slantwise Design creates fantastic designs, robust Ruby on Rails code, and valid CSS and XHTML. We build web applications from concept to deployment.

EXPERTISE

Ruby on Rails	Social networking
Javascript & Ajax	E-commerce
Design	Scaling and deployment
XHTML/CSS	Video transcoding
RESTful web services	Content/asset management

PEOPLE

Jonathan Dahl co-founded Slantwise Design in 2003. He started using Ruby on Rails in 2005 and hasn't looked back. All told, he has led development of more than a dozen Rails applications. Other interests include usability and startups. Jon also helped found the Ruby Users of Minnesota, one of the most active Ruby user groups in the country.

Todd Emmel co-founded Slantwise Design in 2003. Prior to that, he was a web developer at dot-bust startup. He writes CSS and Ruby on Rails, manages projects, enforces usability, and thinks that waterfall project management is making a comeback.

Luke Francl joined Slantwise Design in late 2006 from the Java world. He was previously the lead developer for an digital asset management system. Luke became one of the founding members of the Ruby Users of Minnesota after discovering Ruby on Rails in 2005.

Andy Kvamme is a quality assurance engineer and web developer with 3 years of web development experience, including 1 year QAing Ruby on Rails applications.

Norm Orstad is a web designer that discovered the joys of CSS accidentally in 2004. He hasn't looked back since and he is pretty sure that he can tell the difference between a RGB and CMYK. He is one of the few NASCAR fans that has been to an opera.

Dan Weinand is a web application developer with three years experience, including nearly two years working with Ruby on Rails. He has been developing in Ruby since before it was cool.

PROJECTS

SaySwap [<http://www.sayswap.com>]
Home Valu Interiors [<http://www.homevalu.com>]
Archiver's Personal PrintShop [<http://www2.archiversonline.com>]
DiDGU [<http://www.didgu.com>]
IMAR Group [<http://www.imargroup.com>]
New Counsel, PLC [<http://www.newcounsel.com>]
Redline [<http://www.1redline.com>]
Sugar Sand [<http://www.sugarsand.com>]
Gekko [<http://www.gekkosports.com>]
Better Together [<http://www.goesbetter.com>]

PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

Jon Dahl, "Video Transcoding with Ruby on Rails."
Presented at RailsConf 2007, May 18, 2007.
Norman Orstad et al, "Design 2.0: What's a web designer to do?"
Panel discussion at BarCamp Minnesota, April 21, 2007.
Jon Dahl, "Video Transcoding."
Presented to BarCamp Minnesota, April 21, 2007.
Jon Dahl and Luke Francl, "Overview of Ruby on Rails."
Presented to BarCamp Minnesota, April 21, 2007.
Jon Dahl, "Behavior Driven Development with RSpec."
Presented to the Ruby Users of Minnesota, November, 2006.
Luke Francl, "REST and its discontents."
Presented at Twin Cities Code Camp, November 11, 2006.
Jon Dahl and Luke Francl, "Overview of Ruby on Rails."
Presented at CBS MarketWatch, June 2, 2006.
Jon Dahl, Dan Grigsby, and Nick Sieger, "Overview of Ruby on Rails."
Presented at BarCamp Minnesota, May 6, 2006.
Luke Francl, "Running Individual Test Cases from Ant."
Java.net (O'Reilly/Sun), September 12, 2003.
Luke Francl, "Eikon Image Search."
Presented at CodeCon in San Francisco, February 16, 2002.

OPEN SOURCE PROJECTS

Rails Plugins:	Ruby Gems:
Dynamic form builder	RVideo
Rails refresh_to	Phone Normalization
YAML mail config	
acts_as_selectable	
acts_as_invitation	

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