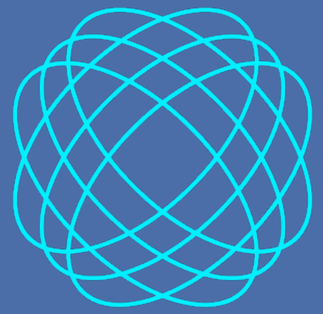
How we built TechLadies in Singapore *lah*

Elisha Tan
Founder, TechLadies

Plot twist!!!



Introducing



Developer Circles

from **facebook**

Program Mission: Create active communities for any developer around the world to access information, share knowledge, and collaborate with other developers.

TechLadies

techladies.co

learnemy

Online marketplace for in-person classes



Writing codes is amazing

The community is amazing

Where are the women?



REDDOT

RUBY CONFERENCE


VANAKKAM

TechLadies

TechLadies is a community-led initiative for women to connect, learn, and advance as programmers.

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\+ women-focused, not anti-men

TechLadies do 3 things:

Community | Education | Opportunity

Community

- Build a trusted community in Asia where people can find their peers in tech.
- Provide a channel where women can connect through shared experiences and knowledge.



Education

- Equip women with basic programming skills.
- Cultivate interest and facilitate learning technical skills through online resources.





Opportunity

- Kickstart women’s careers in the tech industry.
- Increase the visibility of women’s impact on the tech industry.

TechLadies do 3 things:



Go



Eat



Study



Coding Weekend



Tech Talks



Bootcamp



Bootcamp

How it works

1. Find NGOs
2. Screen their pain points and proposed solutions
3. Decide if they fit the program, pass them to the head coach
4. Head coach will select the NGO they want to work with
5. Design studio
6. Select bootcamp participants
7. Bootcamp!



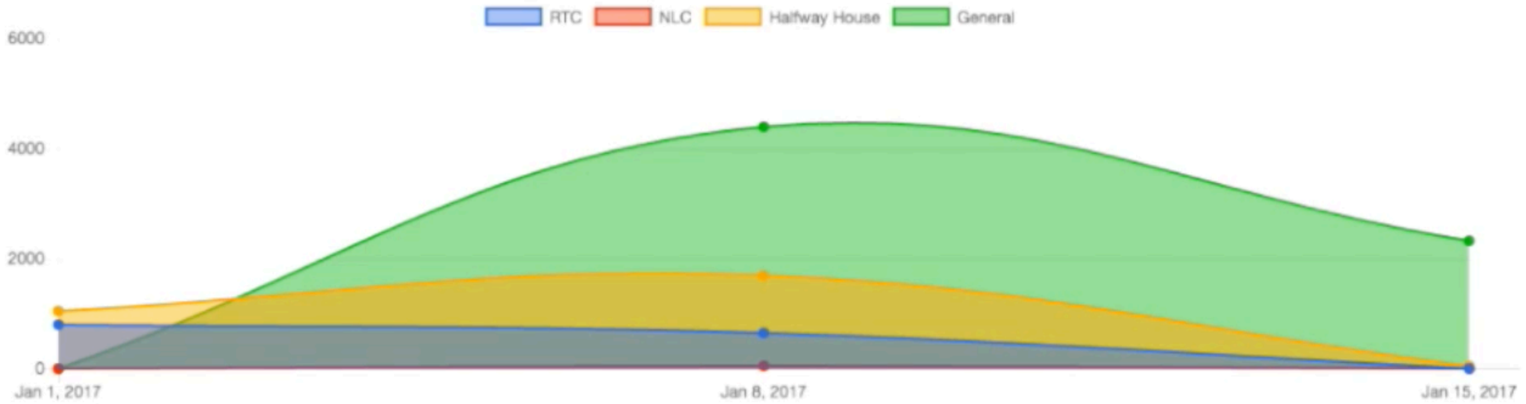
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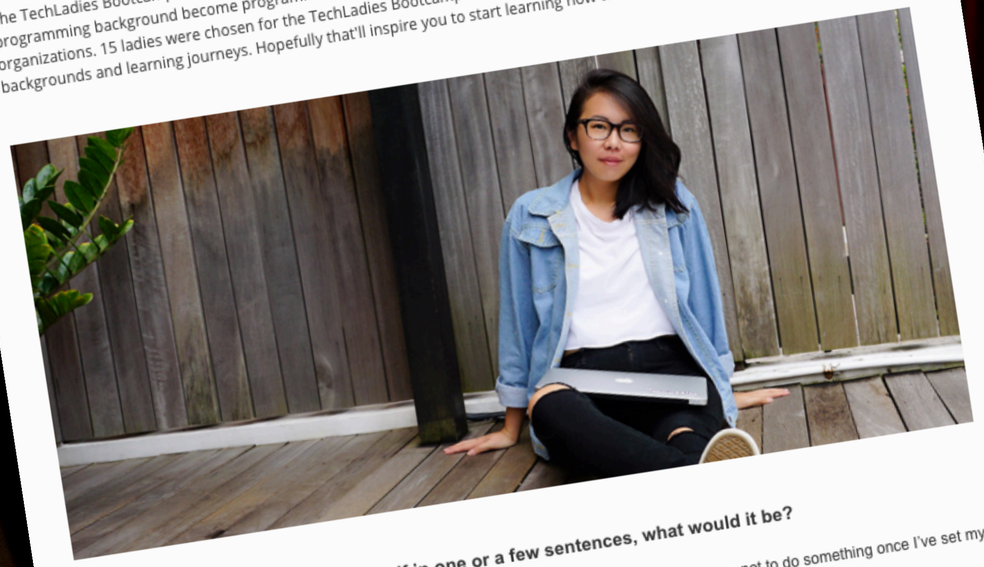
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TechLadies

Meet Clara – Fashion Businesswoman, Curious Introvert, TechLady

by Elisha | Nov 3, 2016 | Interviews, Team TYA | 0 comments

The TechLadies Bootcamp is a 10-week part-time accelerated learning program designed to help women with some basic programming background become programmers. Participants are guided by industry experts, creating products for non-profit organizations. 15 ladies were chosen for the TechLadies Bootcamp #2. In this blog series, we will be sharing more about their backgrounds and learning journeys. Hopefully that'll inspire you to start learning how to code!



If you could tell a story about yourself in one or a few sentences, what would it be?

A very socially awkward but curious introvert, that asks 'why?' too much. It is hard to convince me not to do something once I've set my mind on it.

Oh also, I like puns and I struggle with mornings.

What are you currently working as?

I have been running my online boutique selling self-designed apparel for about 5 years now. It is extremely challenging to manage all facets of the business and be 100% self-disciplined/motivated, but has been a fantastic learning experience. I don't think any office job would have given me the experience and knowledge I gained whilst struggling without guidance through these years.

What sparked your interest in learning how to code?

I guess some part of me always loved web development. When I was a teenager, I built websites on Geocities for my adopted virtual pets to 'live' in. I promise this is cooler than it sounds. What got me hooked on web development was the immediate gratification programming provided — I could insert a code snippet and have the result rendered on the page instantly. To this day, I'm still awed by the magical process of transforming semi-gibberish into functional and useful websites that anyone can see on the WWW.

exactly a model student in school, and performed dismally for my A Levels. This severely limited my options in university and I Management – something I had neither passion nor interest in. After graduation, I worked at a start my own business.

waning quickly. I

Clara Chow

Junior Software Engineer - kaligo.com

“Since I’ve always been keen in technology, why not rekindle that childhood flame? It’s time to move into the tech industry as a programmer.”



Oon Xin Tian

Freelance programmer

“I was extremely lost and my self-confidence fell tremendously after being kicked out from NUS Master programme two years ago. Today, I am here standing up again to pursue my new-found dream.”



Lessons learned

- It.. works?
- People learn better if there’s an end goal in mind
- A lot of NGOs are really not technical
- People want to help but needs direction
- Marketing is as important as programming!


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belongs_to :animal
end
class Animal < ActiveRecord::Base
has_many :cabinets
end
Cabinet
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Lessons Learned

Starting a passion project has
a lot of benefits

Win by helping others win

- It's *extremely* rewarding
- Don't need to worry about profitability
- Helps with your career
- Gain skills without needing your manager's approval
- Great way to meet people passionate about the cause

It also has its costs

Everyone can contribute,
even if you can’t code


ORGANIZE ALL
THE THINGS!!

Help out at events


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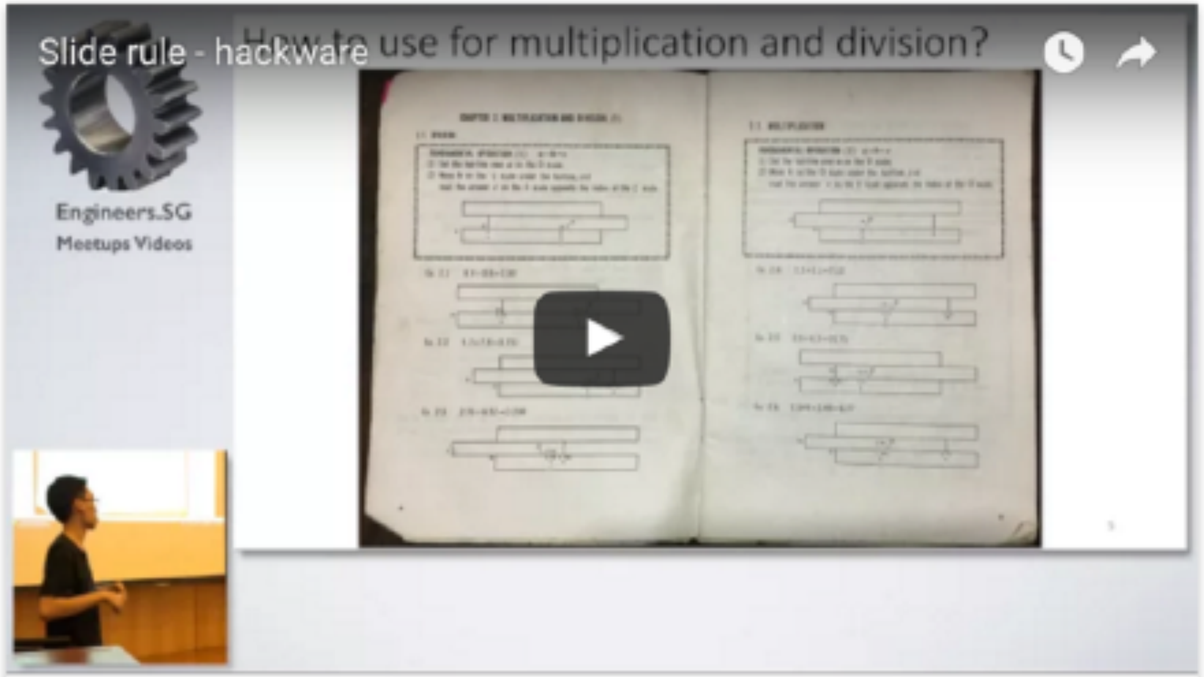
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Saturday, 10 September 2016

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Speaker: Yeo Kheng Meng

Slides: http://www.slideshare.net/yeokm1/the-slide-rule

Events

WeBuild.SG is a list of free open events and open source libraries for the curious folks who love to make things!

Introduction to HTML / CSS - Hackerschool

NUS Hackers

10 Sep 2016, Sat, 1:00 pm

i3 Auditorium, National University of Singapore,

JOIN 14 OTHERS

Videography Training for Volunteers

Engineers.SG

Little things count

Non-tech contributions to the tech community

- Organize events
- Help out at events
- Share your knowledge
- Share someone else's knowledge
- Do the little things

Thank you for your contribution!

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