Getting into GNOME
Impressions of a new maintainer

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Introduction
David King

- Started as a trainee software developer at Openismus in 2009
- Attended Desktop Summit 2009, GUADEC 2010 and Developer Documentation and Tools hackfest 2010
- Took over Vino and Vinagre maintainership in March 2011
- Joined GNOME Foundation in August 2011
- Took over Cheese maintainership in October 2011
- Currently mentoring an intern in the Cheese project

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Introduction
Ekaterina Gerasimova

- Started as a GOPW intern in the GNOME Documentation project in June 2011
- Attended GUADEC 2010 and Developer Docs hackfest 2010
- Part of the Desktop Summit 2011 local team
- Joined GNOME Foundation in August 2011
- Currently mentoring an intern in the GNOME Documentation project

Where to start as a novice

- File or triage a bug
  - Documentation
  - Translation
  - Code
  - Design/Art/Usability
  - Website
- Volunteer at an event
- Promote GNOME to others
- Fix a page on live.gnome.org (GNOME wiki)
- Become a trainee or junior developer
- Take part in an initiative

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Where to start as a novice
GNOME outreach programmes and other initiatives

- GNOME Love
  - Every Detail Matters
- Hackfests

Stipend available

- Google Code-In
- Google Summer of Code
- GNOME Outreach Program for Women

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GNOME Outreach Program for Women

- Three month internship, twice per year (northern and southern hemisphere summer)
- $5000 stipend, as Google Summer of Code
- Not restricted to programming
  - Documentation, translation, marketing and artwork projects have been accepted
- For those who identify as women, to encourage their participation in GNOME
- http: //live.gnome.org/GnomeWomen/OutreachProgram

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Becoming a maintainer

- Look for an unmaintained project, or one that needs some help
- Talk to the old maintainer (or the release team!)
- Add yourself to the DOAP file
- Make releases
- http://live.gnome.org/MaintainersCorner

Summary

Past events

- ATK/AT-SPI2 (Accessibility) Hackfest, A Coruna, January 18th–22nd
- GStreamer Hackfest 2012, Malaga, January 25th–27th

Future events

- Outreach Program Summer 2012
  - Google Summer of Code running concurrently
- Documentation Hackfest 2012, Brno, February 16th–21st
  - GTK+ Hackfest running concurrently

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