



WELCOME TO LOS ANGELES!

We are so excited to welcome you to RubyConf in downtown Los Angeles! We're looking forward to three full days of Ruby goodness, against the exciting urban backdrop of vibrant downtown LA! Before we get started, we wanted to make sure you had a few pieces of information first:

Important Dates / Times / Places

Tue, Nov 13 @ 7:30am	Registration opens	Registration Desk, South Galleria, Millennium Biltmore
Tue, Nov 13 @ 9:30am	Programming begins	Biltmore Bowl, Millennium Biltmore
Tue, Nov 13 @ 5:45pm	Official Party (hosted by NationBuilder)	NationBuilder Offices, 2nd Floor, Millennium Biltmore
Wed, Nov 14 @ 8:00pm	Official Karaoke Party (hosted by Engine Yard)	Shrine Karaoke 2999 W. 6th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90020
Wed, Nov 14 @ 8:00pm	Official Happy Hour Party (hosted by Weedmaps)	Limited space, so location details given out at the Weedmaps booth

Additional Information

Conference Wifi is password-protected. The network is **Millennium_Event** & the password is **ruby**

Staff will be wearing **purple RubyConf 2018 STAFF shirts** — if you have any questions, just ask us! Most staff are volunteers, but if they can't answer your question, they'll find you someone who can.

Conference t-shirts will **not** be given out when Registration opens. Instead, shirts in the size you ordered can be picked up at lunchtime on Day 1 (Nov 13) and Day 2 (Nov 14). Starting with lunchtime on Day 3 (Nov 15), you can pick up your shirt in *whatever size you want* that we have. We'll also have extra shirts to sell on Day 3 — \$20.00, cash/credit/Venmo, to benefit a Ruby charity.

Lightning Talks, which are talks that anyone can give on any topic, for up to 5 minutes, will be on Day 2 at 5:30pm. A sign-up board will be at the Reg/Info Desk after the Day 2 Morning Keynote.

Birds of a Feather (BoFs), which are informal discussion groups formed around any topic, will take place during afternoon sessions on Day 2 and Day 3, in the Heinsbergen Room off the South Galleria. You can sign up to lead a BoF at one of these times next to the Registration Desk.

All talks will be recorded and put online *within a month post-conf*, so if you miss a talk, don't despair! Additionally, all talks in the Biltmore Bowl and Crystal Ballroom will be live-streamed.