

Name: David Karp

Years: July 6, 1986-Present

Place: Manhattan, NY

Brief Biography

David Karp was born on July 6, 1986. At a young age it was clear he was interested in the internet. He dropped out of high school and landed an internship with Frederator Studios which was known for Nickelodeon cartoons. When he was a mere 17 years old he picked everything up and moved to Tokyo. While there, he worked with UrbanBaby as the chief technology officer. At 19, David's interest in "tumblelogs" (short blogs) increased. When he realized nobody was going to create a site for something like this he so decided to do it himself.

David Karp founded Tumblr Inc. This is a website for the short blog posts that he had become so fascinated with. According to Crain's New York business.com Tumblr is a place "where users post text, quotes, videos and other links—and re-blog posts from those they follow..." Karp's website has continued to grow in popularity and is crushing the competition.

Karp is a very laid back person. He doesn't like to set a schedule and avoids reading emails outside of the office. Mondays consists of team meetings which take place in a welcoming room full of couches and chairs. All things considered, Karp operates a comfortable, laid back office that allows people to feel relaxed.

Major Achievements

At 14 Karp worked at Frederator Studios. By 17 he had moved to UrbanBaby and in 2007 he started Tumblr Inc. In 2010, he received the distinction of being named one of the top 35 innovators in the world under the age of 35. This honor is presented by the MIT Technology Review. In 2011 he was named one of Crain's "Forty Under 40" Rising Stars of New York Business.

For More Information

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