Introducing fedora Silverblue

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Highlights

- Silverblue is Fedora
- The name is … just a name
- Containers are great, we want to make them easy
Silverblue *is* Fedora

- Continuation of Fedora Atomic Workstation
- Exists since Fedora 25
- Built from Fedora rpms
- Delivered via an OSTree repository
- Applications via Flatpak
What about the name?

Workstation sounds a bit old-fashioned

Sun SPARCstation 10 with CRT monitor, from the early 1990s
What about the name?

Atomic sounds ...dangerous
New name, New logo, New website, New channels

Web:  www.teamsilverblue.org
Twitter:  @teamsilverblue
Discourse:  discussion.fedoraproject.org
What happens to Project Atomic?

- Umbrella project
- Atomic Host, Atomic Workstation, podman, buildah, skopeo, ...
- Atomic Host becomes Fedora CoreOS
- Atomic Workstation becomes Silverblue
- Other projects move to a new place for container tools
Silverblue is similar to Endless OS

- Image-based
- Atomic updates
- Easy rollbacks
- OSTree to distribute and deploy the OS
- Rpm-ostree allows package layering
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- Flatpak for applications
- Isolated from the OS
- Updated independently and safely
- Flathub for content
- Soon: Flatpaks built from rpms in Fedora
GNOME Software for updates and installations

- Supports Flatpak
- Basic rpm-ostree support
- Rebases (soon)
- Automatic updates (soon)
- Package layering (soon)
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Supporting developers

- Container tools: docker / podman / buildah / skopeo
- Mini-openshift / oc / flatpak-builder (soon)
- Tools for ‘pet’ containers, a toolbox (soon)
- Terminal support for containers (eventually)
When can you try it out?

- February 2018: Fedora Atomic Workstation SIG founded
- Spring 2018: Fedora 28 includes a preview of Silverblue
- Fall 2018: Fedora 29, first Silverblue release
- Spring 2019: Fedora 30, Silverblue ready for prime time (?)
References

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Silverblue docs: docs.teamsilverblue.org

Forum: discussion.fedoraproject.org

Flathub: www.flathub.org

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