

"Speak up!"

the fine art of sharing and presenting

put out nametags, w/ pronouns

Activity 

Why are you here today?

Write on a sticky note

Activity



**Introduce yourself to
someone new**

**Share why you
are here today**

Ohai!

Dani, Steve
Speaking and workshop history
Worst speaking mistake(s)

Agenda

Put up A4s

- write a bio
- write a tiny talk
- give a tiny talk

Section: Debunking myths

short presentation
Things that you think stop you from
speaking, but maybe don't have to

Myth



“I’d be a terrible speaker”

Debunk



You don't need to be perfect

Just “good enough”.

Start small, Practice a lot. You can learn,
grow.

Everyone gets nervous. It's because you care.

Myth



“I’m not an expert”

Debunk



You don't need to be to succeed

You don't need to be a super-nerd.
Making mistakes is part of learning, and
being a dev.
Your point of view, way of seeing things, is
unique. We need diverse viewpoints.
Your background, education, experience.

Myth



“But I’m not ready yet!”

Even after all that...

Debunk



You don't have to be

Submit a proposal

If it's accepted, work on the talk.

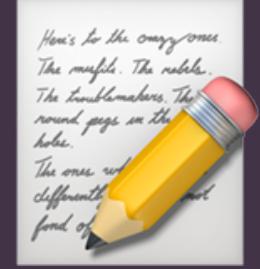
You don't have to know everything about the topic when you write the abstract

You can buddy up with someone: we can help with that! 😬

Activity ✨

What was the most interesting thing? 🤔

Write it on the poster



Dani & Steve discuss the results

Section: Debunking myths ✓

tick it off on the wall
any questions?

Section:
**Getting
Started**

Getting Started

**Write about your work
or side projects**

Topic that means something to you

Writing helps you clarify an idea

Good for testing an idea

Gives you credibility

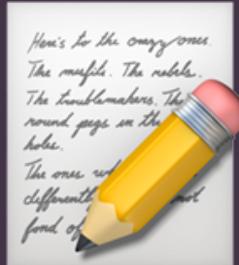
Raise your profile

Value to your readers

Activity ✨

**What could you write
an article about?**

Write a topic idea or two



We'll use one of them later

Getting Started

Picking the right event

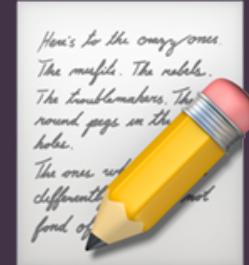
Lunch and learn at work
Local meetups
conferences

Activity ✨

Where could you speak?



Write it on the poster



Go wide!

Dani & Steve discuss the results
cough CTFEDs cough

Section:

Getting Started ✓

tick it off on the wall
any questions?

Section:

Submitting a talk

Submitting a talk

Talk Types

to the wall

Code, tool, process, workflow?

Mistakes we made

Want to talk, but don't know what yet

Anyone seen one like this?

Activity ✨

**Pick one talk type
Pick one of your topics
from earlier**

Submitting a talk

Audience

Who will be there?

How will people decide to see your talk?

Say what you're going to discuss in detail.

Specify the audience.

Submitting a talk

Bio

to the wall

Dani, Steve, do tiny example of themselves

Activity ✨

Write a bio

This is just the first draft
Write it, then revise it

Submitting a talk

The abstract

Fancy way of saying the blurb
Style, Structure
Hand out handout

Activity ✨

Read the Abstract notes

**Circle the most surprising
thing in each section**

A few mins to read it

Activity ✨

**Write an abstract for your
(5m) lightning talk**

**Audience, Talk Type,
Title, Description**

Give out handouts

Examples? This meetup group, our poster
list

Submitting a talk

**Get feedback on
your abstract**

**Good feedback is
specific, actionable**

"I don't like it."



"I'm not sure about the opening."



"I think the opening wasn't clear enough."

Does it work for the audience?

Activity ✨

Pair up

Read your abstract

Write down feedback

Gonna go around the table and read
Practice speaking!
Feedback at the end of everyone
reading

Feedback 🙌

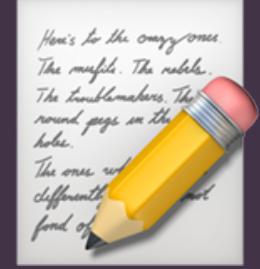
**1 thing you liked
1 thing they could
do differently**

**say why
take it or leave it!**

Activity ✨

**What was the best piece
of feedback? 🤔**

Write it on the poster



Dani & Steve discuss the results

Section: Submitting a talk ✓

tick it off on the wall
any questions?

Break!



Section:

Preparing a talk

Activity

Read the "Preparing a talk" notes

Circle the most surprising thing in each section

Preparing a talk

Practice

Maybe the best bit of advice
3 big things

Practice Your words

Knowing it gives you confidence,
room to improvise.

Practice Your timing

We tend to run really short or really long

Practice

Again and again

A few times is probably enough

Activity ✨

Write a ⚡ lightning talk

About 5 minutes.
A little short is fine.
You already have your audience, talk type,
title, abstract
If you do slides, 1 or 2 plain ones is probably
okay: not enough time for design today

Section:
Preparing
a talk ✓

**tick it off on the wall
any questions?**

Section:
**Giving
a talk**

Activity ✨

Give your ⚡ lightning talk to your group

It's only a first draft 😊

Groups of 4
Not gonna be perfect
But will give you some useful feedback,
some new ideas

Feedback 🙌

**1 thing you liked
1 thing they could
do differently**

Given them stickies

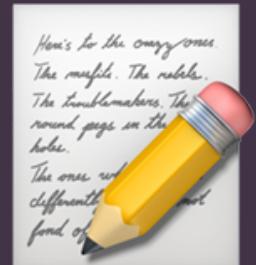
take it or leave it!

Activity ✨

What's the most useful thing you learned today?



Write it on the poster



About your talk

About other people's talk

About talks in general

Dani & Steve discuss the results

Activity 

"Hey buddy!"

What will you do next?

SMART goal

Submit your abstract somewhere

Activity 

Workshop feedback

targets on the wall

(as you go)

Review the posters