

"Speak up!"

the fine art of sharing and presenting

put out nametags, w/
pronouns

Ohai! 🖐️

Speaking and workshop
history

Worst speaking mistake(s)

Doing this to (hopefully) help
you get started

Agenda

Put up A4s

Trying something a bit
different: modular workshop

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.

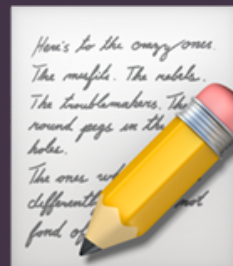
You don't have to know everything
about the topic when you write the
abstract

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

Activity ✨

What was the most interesting thing? 🤔

Write it on a sticky note



Discuss the results
Keep it short!

Section: Debunking myths ✓

tick it off on the wall
any questions?

Section:

Getting Started

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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?

Section: Getting Started ✓

tick it off on the wall
any questions?

Section:
Writing
a bio

Activity ✨

Write a bio

This is just the first draft

Write it, then revise it

Do tiny example of ourselves

Activity ✨

Pair up

Read your bio

Get feedback

Use the handouts

Read, for practice

Stand up. Yes, it's silly. Yes, it helps.

Activity ✨

"Yay!"



thumbs up, high 1, high 5

Section:

**Writing
a bio ✓**

Break!



Section:

Submitting a talk

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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

The abstract

Fancy way of saying the blurb

Style, Structure

Hand out handout

Activity ✨

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

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

Give out handouts

Examples? This meetup group,
our poster list

First draft! Rough!

Activity ✨

Pair up

Read your abstract

Get feedback

Use the handouts

Gonna go around the table
and read

Practice speaking!

Stand up. Yes, it's silly. Yes, it
helps.

Activity ✨

"Woo!"



thumbs up, high 1, high 5

Section: Submitting a talk ✓

tick it off on the wall
any questions?

Section:

Submitting to DevConf

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**Candice's
top 3 tips**

Have handouts with these on

Activity ✨

Pair up

Review your abstracts

Get feedback

Use the handout

Activity ✨

"Yeah!"



thumbs up, high 1, high 5

Section:

Preparing a talk

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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
On an index card
to keep it short**

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?

Break!



Section:

**Giving
a talk**

Activity ✨

**Give your ⚡ lightning
talk to your group**

Get feedback

Use the handouts

Groups of 4

It's only a first draft

Not gonna be perfect

But will give you some useful
feedback, some new ideas

Stand up. Yes, it's silly. Yes, it helps.

Stop at 5m, whatever happens.

Activity ✨

"Noice!"



thumbs up, high 1, high 5

Section:
**Giving
a talk ✓**

Activity ✨

**What's your plan for
submitting?**

5Ws and 1H

Activity ✨

Workshop feedback

**One thing you'll
tell a friend about
this workshop**

stickies on the wall

Anonymous, please be honest!

Thanks!

