

"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.

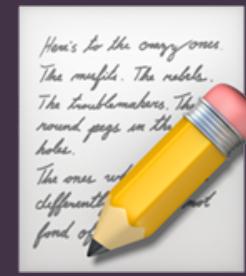
You don't have to know everything
about the topic when you write the
abstract

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

Activity ✨

What was the most interesting thing? 🤔

Write it on a sticky



Discuss the results

Keep it short!

Section: Debunking myths ✓

tick it off on the wall
any questions?

Section:

Getting Started

Getting Started

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

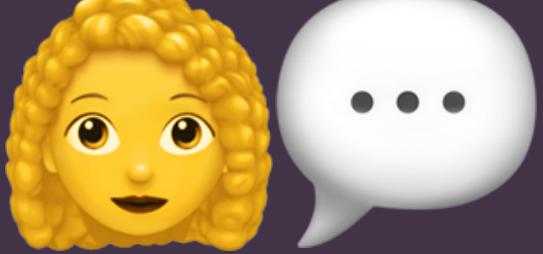
This is just the first draft

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

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.

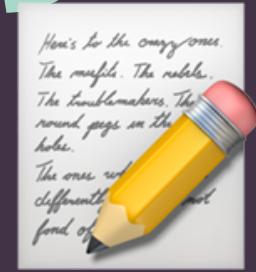
Submitting a talk

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

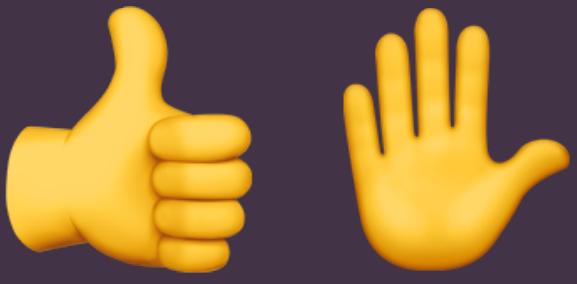
Gonna go around the table
and read

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

Submitting to DevConf

Candice's top 3 tips

1 2 3

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

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

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 to DevConf?**

5Ws and 1H

Activity ✨

Workshop feedback

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

stickies on the wall

Anonymous, please be honest!

Thank you!

