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DrupalCon Wrap

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Drupal Solutions for Smart Organizations

Key Takeaways

- D8 **All The Things** (seriously)

- This is the most modern and 'in line with the rest of the industry' version of Drupal ever

- Energy around more sophisticated content management tools & front-end techniques is amazing

- Drupal is being adopted & supported at all levels of the industry

DriesNote

- Great look at where Drupal is going

- D8: 3000+ contributors (3x increase from D7)

- 75% of survey response centered on content authors & site builders

- In use in larger & larger enterprises & varying applications (MTA kiosks, Lufthansa inflight entertainment system, Tesla apps)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ksp5JVFryEg

Drupal8 Theming & Twig

- MortenDK is a very active figure in the development of Drupal front-end methods & approach

- Always entertaining

- Kind of hard to understand

- But knows Twig & D8 theme system inside & out

- Started a Drupal Twig Slack Team to help people learn

https://events.drupal.org/neworleans2016/sessions/theming-am-i-doing-right
http://drupaltwig-slack.herokuapp.com (Drupal Twig Slack Team - Loads of people to help!

The Big Easy: Pattern Lab & Twig

- Didn't see this one, but heard great things

- Chaz Chummy just published a book on D8 Theming w/Twig

- This was a recurring topic: componentizing front end

Content for Kindness

- Sara Wachter-Boettcher (co-author of Design for Real Life)

- One of the most powerful and actionable talks I've ever seen. Ever.

- So many takeaways on how to design for more inclusivity, sensitivity & accessibility

- It's not an 'edge case' it's a 'stress case'

- Just go watch it. Seriously.

https://events.drupal.org/neworleans2016/keynote-sara-wachter-boettcher

Six Easy Pieces

- John Albin (creator of Zen theme, Zen Grids, D8 CSS architecture)

- Makes fun of Morten, so gets bonus points for that

- Leading initiative to bring front-end components into D8 core

- Brings Drupal more in line with modern front-end development trends toward pattern libraries and living style guides

https://events.drupal.org/neworleans2016/sessions/six-easy-pieces-new-front-end-development

Workflow Initiative

- Tim Millwood (Mark Boulton Design, Acquia, now Appnovation)

- Concept is ability to work on set of content/navigation/etc changes, preview them and then deploy content changes all at once

- Working in D8 as contrib modules w/goal of bringing into core

https://events.drupal.org/neworleans2016/sessions/drupal-cms-so-how-can-we-better-manage-content

Recoupling: Bridging Design & Content

- Jeff Eaton, one of the smartest people I know about structured content, editing process & content data integrity

- At the core he's talking about semantics being the connective tissue between content & design

- Acknowledges the limits of separating content structure and design intent

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Media+Ads+Performance

- Ian Carrico from Vox Media (their performance lead)

- Went through techniques they use for responsive images, web font loading, JS performance and the challenges with online ads

- Not on Drupal, but all very relevant

- Must use a layered approach w/ both actual & perceived performance

- Ads: can't abandon them, so need better strategies to implement

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Limber Up with Flexible Layouts

- Kat Kuhl & Clay Marshall

- Recreated a NY Times story layout using existing D8 modules & techniques to give tremendous layout sophistication & flexibility

- Loved the outcome but highlights how much we have to stitch things together right now rather than have better content building approaches in core

https://events.drupal.org/neworleans2016/sessions/limber-up-with-flexible-layouts-wysiwgyg-templates-more

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