Collaboration & contribution in the Drupal ecosphere:

Being active in the community

Maybe you already **do** contribute

Or **want** to contribute

Why contribute?

How to contribute?

What to contribute?

Hi,
my name is Ben

Ben Jeavons

@benswords

Drupal for 5 years

Contributing for 4

username: coltrane

Work with Drupal full-time

Why
contribute?

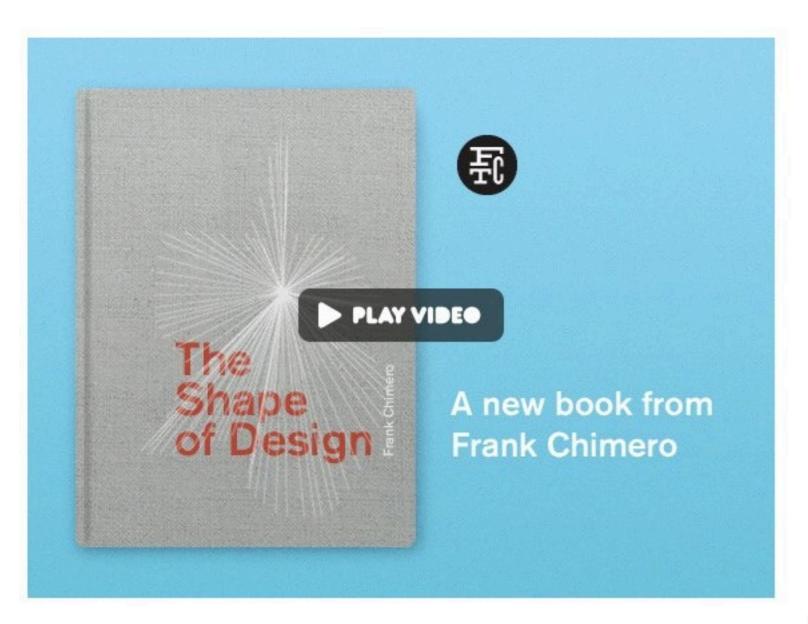# Angie said

Of all Drupal users, few contribute

Contributors shape the project

Keep your pulse on the project

Learn faster
save time & money

The Shape of Design

Frank Chimero

PLAY VIDEO

A new book from Frank Chimero

2,109
BACKERS
$112,159
PLEDGED OF $27,000 GOAL
0
SECONDS TO GO

FUNDING SUCCESSFUL
This project successfully raised its funding goal on March 2. ✓

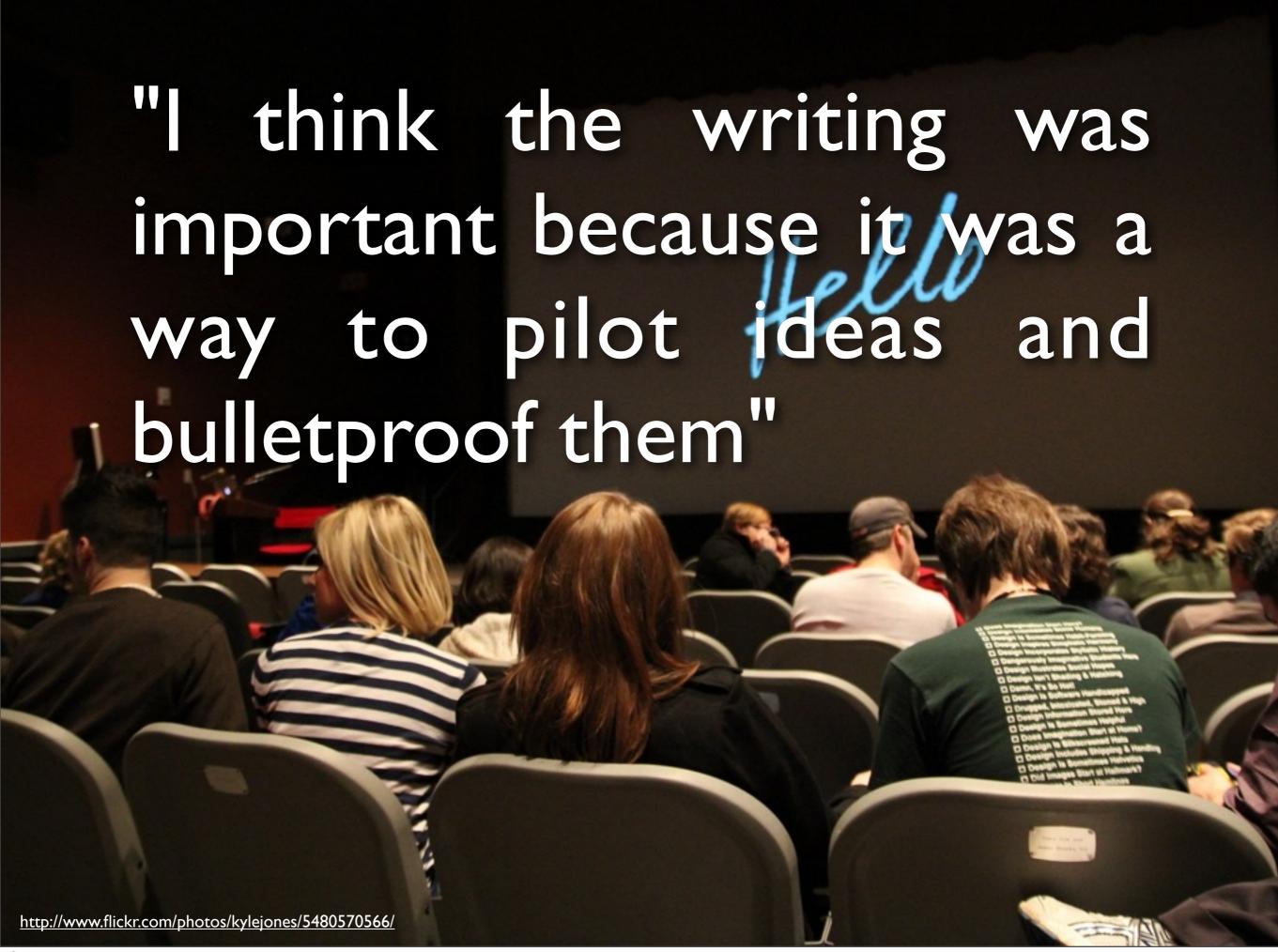PROJECT BY

Frank Chimero
Portland, OR
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Frank Chimero is a graphic designer, teacher, writer, and creative person in Portland, Oregon. His fascination with the creative process, curiosity, and visual experience informs all of his work. Each piece is part of an exploration in finding wit, surprise, honesty, and joy in the world around us, then, trying to document those things. Right now he's thinking about writing a book.

KICKSTARTER

blogged about design for two years

built an audience

allowed for testing and refinement

"I think the writing was important because it was a way to pilot ideas and bulletproof them"

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become
"top of mind"

word-of-mouth marketing

more business and better clients

~50% of our projects from community leads

contributing
is our marketing

HOW?!

code

code
write/read **PHP**

write/read **HTML**

write/read **CSS**

write/read **english**

write/read **maltese**

make the **product**(s) better

make our **tools** better

make our **process** better

help **others** join

tools & process:

help out on
drupal.org

URLs to read more

jvns.me/ <something>

These slides

dcco.us/n/95

write user guides

find & organize **content**

jvns.me/doc

jvns.me/cs

review content

for news posts or spam

jvns.me/rc

provide user **support**

in forums or StackExchange

or in IRC

jvns.me/su

make **translations**

of core or contrib projects

jvns.me/tr

issue queue **farming**

mark duplicates

close invalids

jvns.me/fa

improve the product(s):

knowing code
or configuring sites

confirm and document bugs

jvns.me/iq

jvns.me/tc

review & test patches

functionality

jvns.me/tc

review new project applications

jvns.me/pa

write patches for contrib or core

or write your own module

jvns.me/de

make your own theme

jvns.me/th

help others join:

evangelism & events

meetups

sprints

conferences

jvns.me/ev

some things **not** to do

don't **sit** on your idea or project

"I think the writing was important because it was a way to pilot ideas and bulletproof them"

~Frank Chimero

"Nobody joins an open source project because they really enjoy reminding other people to do work"

~greggles

"We join because we're stronger together"

~lindsayo

Getting involved

http://jvns.me/gi

Slides and evaluation

http://dcco.us/n/95