Drupal 8

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Who?

- Drupal Developer and Linux Systems Administrator
- Work for Drupal Association
- Core contributor and contrib maintainer
- Drupal Bristol, SWDUG, DrupalCamp Bristol

What is Drupal?

Drupal is a free software package that allows you to easily organize, manage and publish your content, with an endless variety of customization.

https://www.drupal.org/about

Where are we now?

Drupal 6

- Released in February 2008
- 1 year of development
- Supported for 3 months after Drupal 8 release

Drupal 7

- Released in January 2011
- ~3 years of development
- Supported until Drupal 9 release

Drupal 8

- In active development
- Beta 1 released October 2014
- ~~55~~ 51 critical issues remaining
- Hopefully released in 2015 (Q3?)

Some cool things about D8

Culture Change

- "Getting off the island"
- Not invented here -> Proudly found elsewhere

For Site Builders

- Views module in core
- Revamped node forms
- WYSIWYG (CKEditor) in core
- Inline editing (quickedit)
- More fields!
    - Entity reference
    - Telephone
    - Email
    - Date
    - Link
- More accessibility improvements
- Multilingual
- Configuration management

For Developers

- Leveraging of Symfony components
- Higher PHP requirement
- PHPUnit
- Rest API in core
- Less assumptions made
- Simpler, more re-usable code

For Themers

- Twig
- Modernizr in core
- Newer jQuery (2.1.3)
- HTML5
- SMACSS
- Responsive everything
- No more IE8 support

Other Good Stuff

- Introduction of semantic versioning
- Cross-community contribution
- Widens the Drupal talent pool

When?

It will be ready when it's ready, but it will be worth the wait!

Questions?

http://opdavies.github.io/phpsw-drupal8

https://www.drupal.org/drupal-8.0