



ConvergeSE

April 13-15 2016 - Columbia, SC - <http://convergese.com/>

The Short Story - TL;DR

Converge is about bringing different factions of the web together under one unified banner of learning and sharing. Converge is for everyone who works on or with the web to make a living. From designers, developers, front-end engineers, marketers, business leaders, start up companies, film producers/directors and the old and new school creative types. Everyone can learn and level up their skills at Converge.

The Long Version

Converge was born 7+ years ago in Columbia, South Carolina as an effort to bring together disparate meetups and groups. We came together in a single day with each group being represented by a single speaker who shared his or her passion and taught us something that they knew. Sharing is caring! Fast forward to 2015 and Converge is a multi-track, multi-day event that spans across downtown Columbia, SC drawing in over 600 people from all across the United States and other continents.

Scope

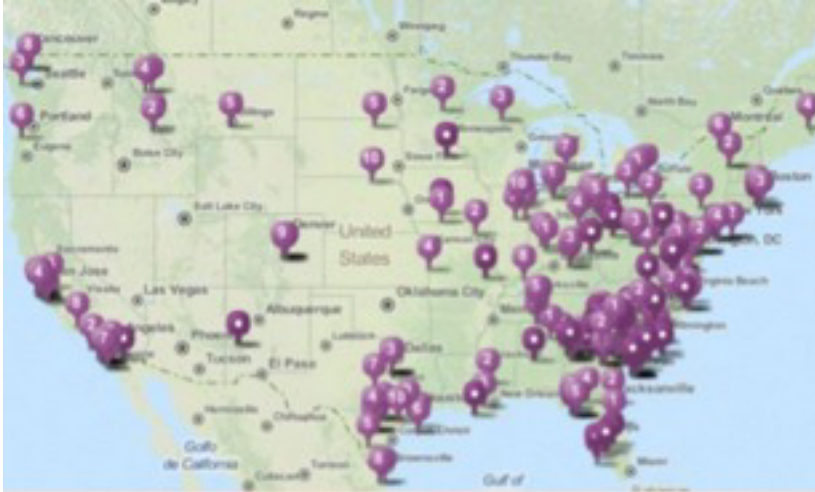
Converge has specific training in the form of keynote sessions & in-depth workshops in:

Design/UX: Graphic Design, Web Design, User Experience, Content Development

Development: Frontend Engineering, Ruby on Rails, Database Dev, DevOps, JavaScript, Frameworks

Frontend: CSS, HTML, Animation, JavaScript, Tooling, Deployment

Business: Leadership, Management, Strategy, Sales, Marketing



Attendees come from all over the United States from many different backgrounds; some are freelancers or employed by companies you know well. The potential for networking is very high at Converge.

Event Expenses & Benefits

Conference Expenses	
Conference Ticket Price	\$475/person Purchase tickets here: https://account.unmatchedstyle.com/register/converges2016/
Average Hotel Room Cost	\$130/night
Transportation	There are airport shuttles to downtown Columbia. Uber also has a strong presence in Columbia.
Conference Benefits	
Latest techniques	Through the different days of the conference I'll attend workshops and keynote talks where i'll learn a lot about latest trends, methodology and techniques in the areas of Design, UX, Frontend Development, Development stacks like Ruby on Rails or JavaScript Frameworks and Strategy.
Compare strategies	There are many times where i'll be able to network with other attendees and even the speakers to compare notes about how we do things with them in their businesses and trades. At this event the speakers are highly encouraged to spend time with attendees and share stories and advice.
Level up my skill set	There will be opportunity for me to deep-dive into subjects like Design, UX, Frontend Development, Development stacks like Ruby on Rails or JavaScript Frameworks and Strategy through workshops. There will also be plenty of sessions for me to cross-train when it's outside of my core competencies but related to what I do day-to-day.