

Communicating your brand personality



Agenda

- Purpose
 - Today we're looking at high-level directions that focus on the possibilities of how we can achieve your marketing goals with a defined visual language.
- Looking Back
 - Highlights of Creative Brief
- Homepage Wireframe
- Brand Presentation
 - Concept 1
 - Concept 2
 - Concept 3
- Concept Recap
- Review Checklist
- Next Steps



Creative Brief Highlights

GOALS

- Implement a new look and feel that reinforces OpenSFS's stability and strength as the driving organization in the Lustre community;
- Establish a second web property to grow the Lustre development community into a vibrant and active resource portal;
- Provide OpenSFS volunteers and staff with the tools to build out their content with an intuitive and easy-to-use CMS.

Today's presentation goal is to show a range of visual directions for OpenSFS. org that set the tone of that first impression on the homepage and ensure that a **feeling of stability and strength** from the driving organization behind the Lustre community is communicated.



Creative Brief Highlights

PERCEPTIONS WE ARE TRYING TO ACHIEVE:

- Approachable
- Energetic
- Collaborative
- Fresh
- Trustworthy

LOOK AND FEEL SHOULD BE:

- Fresh
- Orderly
- Modern



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Hero area - clear message about being a part of something good and awesome for Lustre.

Audience-specific path: What is OpenSFS?

Audience-specific path: OpenSFS and Lustre (letter from Norm) Audience-specific path: Why OpenSFS? Get involved: Join a mailing list

Logo farm of Current Members (inspiration to be a part of this amazing org)	Community for Developers/Sysadmins
	Links to wiki, Jira, etc. Download Lustre



Brand Presentation

Concept 1: "Open Seas"

This concept is a continuation of the metaphor we identified for Whamcloud, focusing on an element that is extraordinarily scalable, reliable, fast, and flexible: water. If water is a metaphor for Lustre, then OpenSFS keeps the seas open for exploration via its support and funding.

Colors: The color palette is cool, dark, and dramatic, and uses a touch of bright red for energy and vibrance. This shade of red was inspired by the nautical palette of coast guard rescue and lifesavers, another tie to the protection and safety OpenSFS provides for Lustre.

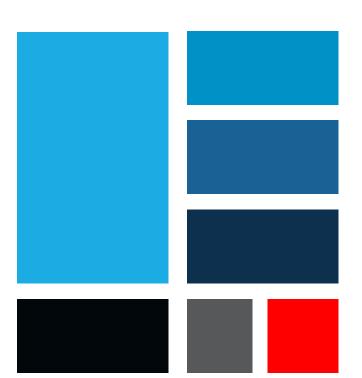
Fonts: The fonts complement the curves of the OpenSFS logo while providing a more modern feeling to the site.

The current selection of imagery represents the style and subject matter that complements this concept. Additional or different images may be selected after concept selection and exploration of specific design applications.

Why are we looking at these?

- To explore the **possibilities** of how we can achieve your marketing goals with a defined visual language.







Regular

Cabin Regular











Open Seas

Sample Homepage: Open Seas





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KEEPING LUSTRE OPEN SO YOU CAN EXPLORE UNCHARTED WATERS

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Brand Presentation

CONCEPT 2: "Building Lustre"

This concept is inspired by the big idea that OpenSFS wants to build an active and vibrant community for Lustre. Everyone loves their memories of having played with blocks as a kid, and most people are inspired by the idea of really building something tangible. This site's message and layout are simple and straightforward: Come Build Lustre. The supporting imagery features bright block shapes in a symmetrical grid.

Colors: The color palette is vibrant and warm with the use of blue and gray as neutral accents.

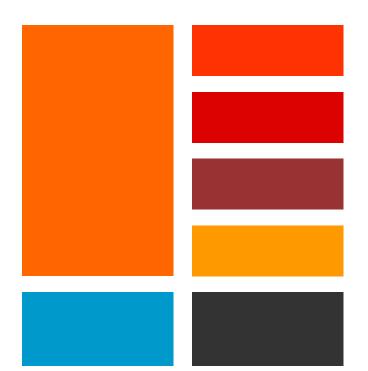
Fonts: The font is a clean and modern Slab-serif font called Arvo, which has an approachable feel, supported by Cabin as a Sans-serif font to be used for larger blocks of copy.

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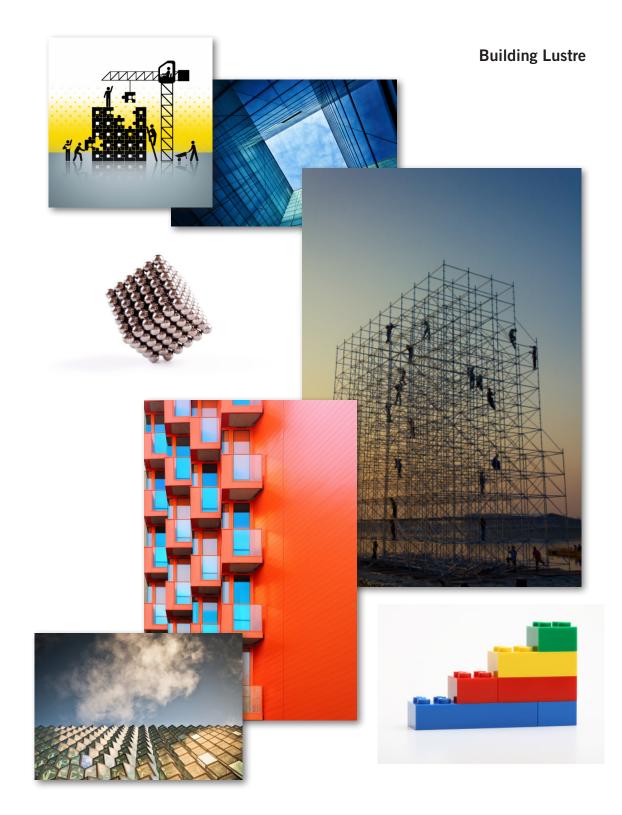
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Sample Homepage: Building Lustre

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Brand Presentation

CONCEPT 3: "Drive progress"

This concept is inspired by the idea that OpenSFS is driving the progress of Lustre and proud of it. This idea may be a bit controversial for stakeholders since it needs to be accurate, but this layout puts the Lustre roadmap front and center, making the progress visible in a stylized infographic for all to see.

Colors: The color palette is bright and modern with the use of blues and a bright green balanced against a dark gray background to provide the eye with some rest from all of the interconnected shapes and lines.

Fonts: The headline font is intended as an accent to the concept of driving forward, not to be overused, since it is a unique ALL CAPS only webfont that can be overwhelming to read in large amounts of content. To support this font, we've selected a simple and modern rounded sans-serif font called QuickSand.

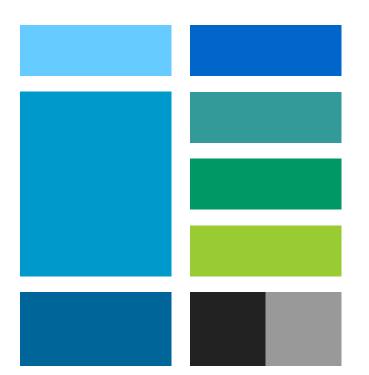
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Driving Progress







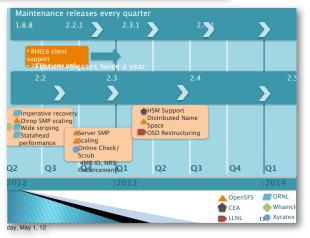




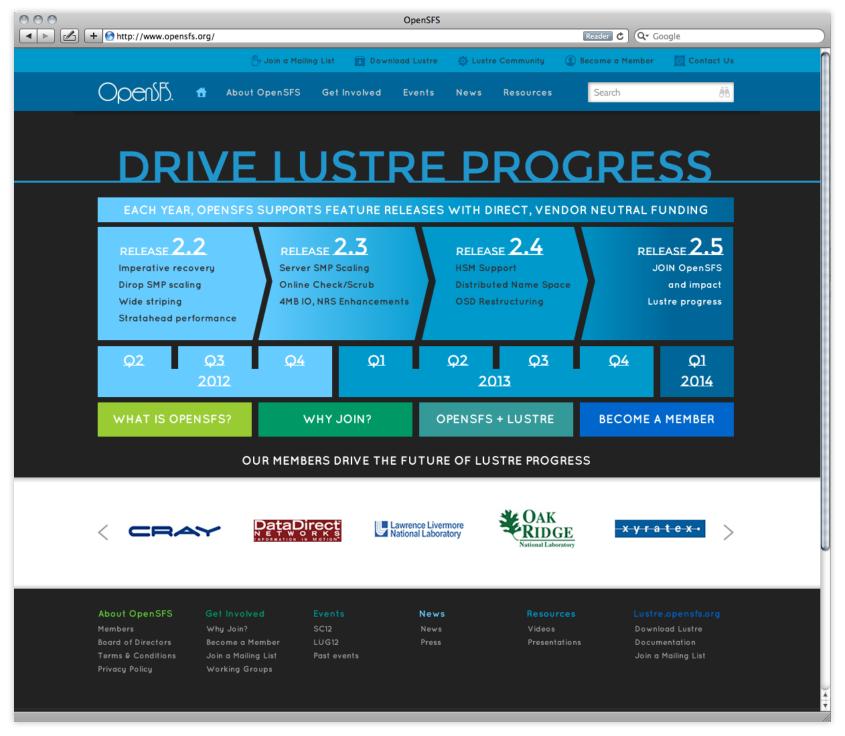
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Sample Homepage: Driving Progress









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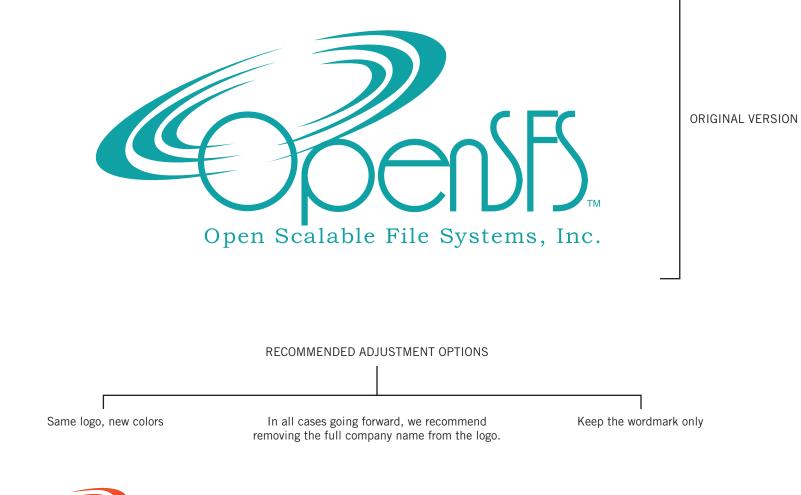


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One more thing...









Review Checklist

We encourage you to take some time to review these design concepts while considering the goals of this marketing refresh, as well as the perceptions you specified you wanted to achieve with this new look and feel.

DOES THE DESIGN leave prospects feeling confident that OpenSFS is their partner of choice because they are stable, strong, vibrant, and active?

Does the design feel _____?

- Fresh
- Orderly
- Modern



Review Checklist

Does the look and feel imply these perceptions through its visual language? "OpenSFS is ______"

- Approachable
- Energetic
- Collaborative
- Fresh
- Trustworthy

Which of the designs is best suited to take OpenSFS's brand to the next level?



Thank you!

- Next Steps
 - 1. OpenSFS provides feedback for suggested refinements
 - 2. Loud Dog integrates feedback and provides presentation of refined design extended to the lustre.opensfs.org template, subpage, list styles, and brochure for SC12