

Seating Chart

DESIGNERS



DEVELOPERS





DESIGNERS & DEVELOPERS

Sitting in a Tree

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Why are we here?

**I'm not included
in the process.**

- 1. Brainstorm together before design begins.*
- 2. Get input from developers during design process.*
- 3. Review design internally before presenting.*

**You think all I
do is draw
pictures.**

- 1. Discuss problems to be solved by design at the beginning.*
- 2. Evaluate solutions during internal design reviews.*
- 3. Explain how you arrive at design decisions.*

**That's going to
take forever to
build.**

- 1. Speak up—let designers know what's causing problems.*
- 2. Decide together if the functionality is really needed.*
- 3. Often, the extra work results in a better product.*

**You broke my
awesome
design.**

- 1. Understand the constraints of the medium.*
- 2. Explain why you want things a certain way.*
- 3. Find compromise when things aren't perfect.*

*Solutions for
everyone.*

Collective Brainstorming.

*Blur the lines
between Design &
Development.*

*Encourage
collaboration.*

Learn how to trust.

*Ask questions
(and learn how to
answer them).*

Be a teacher.

Hire better people.



Thanks!