

## THE SMASHING BOOK

One can make simple things difficult, and writing a book the normal way just wasn't a challenge enough for us. The list of contributors to the left testifies to that. We wanted to engage as many people as possible: writers, designer, illustrator, editors. In fact, internally, we called this little project "The Community Book". Nevertheless, the book was written not by our readers but by a profesional team of authors. And troughout the whole process (from brain stroming to writing to putting the final touches on the layout) we included our audience in our plans: we queried people in the Smashing forum, collected suggestion and listened to your opinions. Of course all of this ado in advance was meant to stmulated your appetite, too. The result is what now sits in your hands, Smashing Magazine's readers. We hope we did at least some things in it right.

The book contains no list of links or aggregated content. It has 10 carefully prepared, written and edited stories that are based upon topic sugesstion and wishes of Smashing Mqagazines reader. We consider the topic covered here fundamental and so the content is we hope, highly practical. You can find a list of all of the references and resources mentioned in this book in a handy overview online at <http://smashing-links.com>

