

Open Atrium 2 Building Blocks

Open Atrium is built to organize people and content in ways that maximize collaboration without sacrificing data security. Like a filing cabinet that has some drawers locked and others open, OA allows granular control over who can access which parts of your site.

People

Your OA site accommodates anyone from the anonymous internet user to collections of members on your site.

- MEMBER**
a user with access to your site's spaces
- GROUP**
a collection of users that span a related purpose across multiple spaces
- TEAM**
an ad-hoc collection of users specific to one space

Structure

OA lets you build the information architecture that meets the need of your content.

- SPACE**
a collection of content. Similar to a filing cabinet
- SUB-SPACE**
an additional division of content within a space, like the drawer of your filing cabinet
- SECTION**
where your content actually lives on your site, like the file folder in the drawer

Permissions

Control who has access to what content from the individual member to multiple groups of users.

- PUBLIC**
any registered user can see this space
- PRIVATE**
only members of the space can access the content
- MIXED-MODE**
the top level space is public, but with many private areas nested below

Content

Open Atrium ships with the following types of content:

- DOCUMENTS**
document pages, wiki pages, articles, and document management
- EVENTS**
calendar with iCal integration and geolocation
- DISCUSSIONS**
forums, discussion posts, and media attachments to conversations
- WORKTRACKER**
Monitor projects, milestones, and deliverables

A Case Study

The Acme Company took the building blocks of the OA 2 components above to create an intranet that meets their content creation, asset storage, collaboration, and security needs.

