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## Top Skills

Communication
Team Management
English

### Languages

Urdu

Hindi

Gujarati

French

### Certifications

Certified Practitioner of Human-Centered Design

The Art of Music Production

Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction

#### Honors-Awards

Dean's List

**Faculty Honors** 

Notable Design for Social Impact Award

# Shakeel Bhamani

Lead Software Consultant | Generative Al Web Developer | Ismaili Artists Alliance Founder/Lead | Musician | TEDx Speaker Atlanta Metropolitan Area

# Summary

Loopstation Vice Champion at the 2017 American Beatbox Championships and TEDx Speaker (see link below)

Now that you're hooked, Shakeel graduated from Georgia Tech with a B.S. in Computer Science. His core strengths are software/team best practices, Al-assisted software delivery, front-end development, and music performance/production. His goal is to network both in the Software industry as well as the Music industry.

## Experience

Thoughtworks 4 years 4 months

Lead Software Consultant May 2024 - Present (1 year 5 months)

Atlanta, Georgia, United States

Senior Software Consultant June 2021 - July 2024 (3 years 2 months) Chicago, Illinois, United States

Technical Trainer - 2022 Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Software Internship Program

- Taught software/team best practices including Agile ceremonies, clean code, Test Driven Development (TDD), Paired Programming, Trunk Based Development, Java SpringBoot, ReactJS
- Worked with Product Trainer to show interns how to work cross-functionally with different roles
- By the end of the program, all 11 interns (representing diverse minorities) showcased their work and were prepared enough to receive a full-time offer from Thoughtworks

Received commendation from Thoughtworks North America CEO for the success of the program

Tech Lead - Major health retail client

- Incepted a digital accelerator enablement program with brand new health retail client
- Developed custom curriculum of software/team best practices to teach to client Agile teams
- Managed 3 Thoughtworks Dev Coaches who facilitated the curriculum through workshops and Paired Programming
- Facilitated several workshops myself and also jumped in to pair program when needed

Provided regular updates and feedback to senior client leadership and received praise for my working style and facilitation techniques

Tech Lead - Social Impact project

- Building an open-source app to help a prison oversight committee manage complaints from persons in custody when there are unfair conditions/situations or police misconduct
- Mentoring/Coaching developers on the team to use best software/team practices to build scalable and configurable software with React, MUI, CSS, Node, PostgreSQL, and CircleCI
- Guiding the committee towards technical solutions that help them progress even with a minimal budget

Infrastructure Engineer - Gas retail client

- Learned some AWS tooling (S3, API Gateway, Lambda, etc.) and how to transition from Azure to AWS
- Built the main authorizer with Test Driven Development to allow valid access to internal systems

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Beatboxer & Vocalist

August 2012 - Present (13 years 2 months)

Greater Chicago Area

Semi-pro beatboxer and vocalist for solo and group performances/ competitions

Groundbreaker Lead UI Engineer January 2020 - March 2020 (3 months)

Chicago, Illinois, United States

- Provided guidance on team best practices with a pragmatic approach to Agile
- Worked on the real estate investment management platform using the latest technologies with React Hooks, Apollo GraphQL, and introducing react-testing-library as a testing framework and LaunchDarkly for feature toggling.
- Mentored junior developer in non-technical skills (i.e. how to interview someone, clean code, psychological safety, etc.)
- Very interested in the business side, so took the time to help the CEO find angel investors and showed the Marketing Director good practices to make the best of their learnings from conferences

### Arity

1 year 5 months

Senior UI Engineer February 2019 - May 2019 (4 months)

Greater Chicago Area

Worked on the Arity Pattern Library in ReactJS and CSS to be used across all Arity products.

Senior Software Engineer January 2018 - February 2019 (1 year 2 months) Greater Chicago Area

- Full stack web applications in Java 8 (Spring), ReactJS (es6), SASS + Material UI
- Moved towards new platform using CassandraDB and Apache Kafka
- Introducing several best practices to XP teams, such as diverse and actionable Retrospectives, Continuous Feedback, "clean code of the week", regular team learning sessions, and tons more
- Gave a Core Talk on how to give and receive Feedback from peers effectively
- Taking a personal focus on team health and psychological safety

ThoughtWorks
Consultant Software Developer
August 2016 - January 2018 (1 year 6 months)
Greater Chicago Area

- Learning best practices from some pioneers of Agile Methodologies
- Tried various roles outside my core developer responsibilities including being a Business Analyst, Project Manager, Tech Lead, Analyst Lead, and Quality Analyst

- Received 5 weeks of intense consulting, software, and Agile training in Pune, India working with other global co-workers
- Full-stack vertical slice team experience

Major Airline Carrier (April 2017 – September 2017):

Shakeel was a full-stack developer on this project involving a Java Spring MVC back-end and React JS front-end. Shakeel was a part of the first Vertical Slice Team at this client. This project required interaction with three codebases owned by separate teams, so communication with these teams played a huge part in Shakeel's role. He was also on the project from inception to go-live and thus has experience with both kick off activities as well as pushing to production and activation. There was also an integration portion with a major bank, which led to the development of a mock simulator of that bank's relevant feature in Node JS. Shakeel especially contributed in areas of team health, such as ensuring feedback sessions were held and team stress was being addressed, as well as good front-end development practices.

AvidXchange, Inc.
Software Development Intern III
June 2015 - August 2015 (3 months)

- Learned fundamentals of AngularJS and created a sample Twitter like website for future company use
- Added a responsive-design feature in main application for navigating between company's products

AvidXchange, Inc.
Software Development Intern II
May 2014 - August 2014 (4 months)
Charlotte, North Carolina Area

- Treated as a full time Junior Developer as Shakeel was a veteran intern; contributed to at least one user story in every single agile sprint cycle
- Initiated development of a custom, keyboard-navigable data-entry framework, which was started by doing research on UI frameworks and selecting the best possible implementation of an accordion style framework (in this case Twitter Bootstrap). This is a huge part of one of the company's primary products now and is in production.
- Although mainly developed my skills as a front-end developer, Shakeel received more exposure to back-end functionalities using AJAX, SQL, and C# to complete a vertical slice of work.

Georgia Institute of Technology Peer Leader January 2014 - May 2014 (5 months)

Selected to be a Peer Leader (RA) in Field Residence Hall; duties included keeping the freshman community of 30 students on my floor actively involved with each other, serving as a mentor for the students, and encouraging a positive lifestyle.

AvidXchange, Inc.
Software Development Intern I
June 2013 - August 2013 (3 months)

- Designed an automation of an existing email message using Neuron ESB to deliver clients' payment details internally
- Developed a part of the UI for viewing payment details for a trust account holder (in production)
- Tested internal use of the Dun & Bradstreet service to help make contact with vendors more efficient.

Vector Marketing
Advanced Sales Representative
June 2012 - August 2012 (3 months)
Rock Hill, SC

I was promoted twice within two months of joining this \$250 million company. I essentially worked one-on-one with clients at their residences.

## Education

Georgia Institute of Technology
Bachelor of Science (B.S.), Computer Science (2012 - 2016)