R. Austin Kucera

Passionate Software Creator

AWS Certified leader focused on elevating developers

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EDUCATION

Fisher College of Business (OSU)	BS in Business Administration	Full Academic Scholarship
Ohio State University	BA in English	Magna Cum Laude, GPA 3.7
Trinity Forum Academy	Nine month leadership and research fellowship	Full Scholarship

EXPERIENCE

Fuse (Kotlin, AWS, K8s)   Tech Lead   2021-Present

- Leading organization-wide transition from Pivotal Cloud Foundry to Kubernetes
- Founded two teams, including training the replacement tech lead for the first team
- Created a flexible Concourse pipeline generator that most product teams are adopting in order to comply with security and DevOps requirements while maintaining autonomy and productivity
- Lead the bi-weekly all-tech-leads meeting by curating topics, facilitating discussion, creating working groups, and presenting on areas of excellence
- Founded the Fuse 'Software Craftsmanship Guild' to encourage engineering quality through presentations and panel discussions
- Led (architected, planned, and achieved consensus) cross team integration to modernize a legacy process for creating and processing invoices for pharmacy services

Agility Partners (Kotlin, Angular)   Tech Lead (for Fuse)   2020-2021

- Collaborated with my product owner, architect, and delivery manager to architect a solution, hire developers, and establish a culture of craftsmanship on a new team, for a new internal product

Pillar (Elixir, Kotlin, React, AWS, K8s) Software Artisan   2018-2020

- Created simulation to act as input data for the Data Engine before hardware was manufactured
- Led creation of full stack app that visually demoed power of the Data Engine for the SxSW demo
- Co-led mini dev team of struggling developers in order to help them come up to speed
- Organized, lead, and presented Learning Lunches
- Led effort to locally run our cloud environment, in order to speed up development

Nationwide (Java, Angular, AWS)   Developer / Tech Lead   2014-2018

- Developed a chat bot that gives advice to small business owners. Powered by AWS Lambda, Lex, AWS Cloud Formation, and Machine Learning
- In a team of three, leveraged AWS to build a demo over a three day period that recognized associate faces
- Created a 3D photo-realistic interactive experience for our on-campus museum utilizing HoloLens
- Led one of eight teams on a tier one project: a Java application that manages ~25% of Nationwide's income

INTERESTS

- Average 1,000 public contributions on Github each year since 2019, made by spending 8-20 hours hobby programming each week
- Currently writing a tech blog at austinkucera.com/blog
- Created 32 modifications for 4 games that have been downloaded over 1,000,000 times
- Wrote and self-published fantasy novel Nitsua in high school
- Three time varsity wrestling team captain, Sectional and District Champion