

# Hello!

**I'm Jacob Van Order**  
(and I do mobile development.)  
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## **You're interested in learning more about me but here's the short of it:**

I enjoy doing mobile development. Always have. I've worked at a small agency (Vokal Interactive), large company (Grainger), and somewhere in-between (Etsy). Heck, I've worked for myself!

## **When we talk, here are some interesting things we could discuss:**

- How I led a team of up to 8 iOS Developers, managed that whole shebang, and the mistakes that I made.
- The time I ordered pizza with shrimp on it for my first (of many) company-wide engineering lunch-and-learns that I ran.
- Transforming how we shipped apps from where one person was uploading the app using an iPhone tethered to a laptop (really!) to where we had a nearly hands-free but fully-tested continuous integration approach.
- What it was like to learn iPhoneOS development, self-taught, in 2009 coming from a graphic design background.
- All the lessons I've learned from co-hosting NSCoder Chicago for five years with a good friend.
- The conferences I've spoken at about various subjects.

...and more!

## **I've made apps, including:**

- A couple different ones for millions of daily active users to buy stuff.
- A personal project that utilizes Core Location to determine when the next Chicago "El" train is coming to the station closest to the user.
- A dream project that used Core Image to create pixelated images in the vein of vintage video game systems.
- A photo sharing app that had its release bungled and failed instantly.

## **Briefly, this is my background and how to get in touch:**

I went to school at Western Michigan University for Art. The last three jobs I've had were: Etsy (2018-present), Grainger (2015-2018), and Vokal Interactive (2013-2015). My email is jacob@sushigrass.com. I'm looking forward to meeting and figuring out what we can accomplish together!