

GUEST ME

PROJECT PROPOSAL

By Team Neptune



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01

Project Overview

IDEA

Unforgettable talk for younger generation!

The choice of a profession, research topic, project or a creative hobby is often influenced by professionals that we meet at school events. Experts in the field are enthusiastically talking about Mars exploration, the possibilities of genetic engineering, movie production and many other amazing things that make an unforgettable impression on the younger generation! Now imagine what would have happened if this meeting did not take place? Maybe our lives would have turned out differently...



PROBLEM



Existing platforms have high entry levels...

Many professionals working in various industries or students in the pursuit of their careers are interested in working as a speaker on a volunteer basis or for a reasonable fee in their spare time. However, the majority of existing web platforms matching speakers and organizations are focusing primarily on experienced, highly-paid speakers.

Therefore,

Self-employed speakers, who are new to the profession, do not have a platform to offer their services.

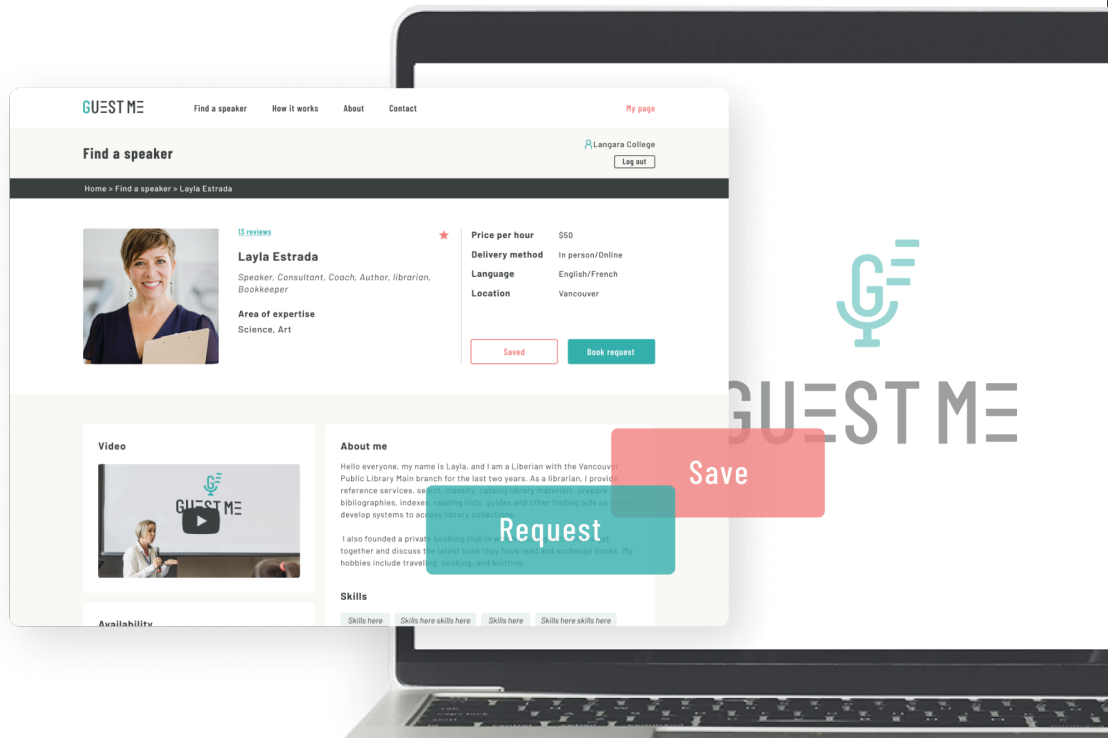
Educational institutions in BC have difficulty finding speakers, who have expertise in a particular area, according to their budget quotas.

SOLUTION

More friendly, more diverse!

GUEST ME is a responsive data driven web platform, which helps speakers with diverse backgrounds and experiences who want to provide their services to educational institutions across BC province by making registration process simple, fast and transparent, providing equal opportunities to everyone, who wants to share their knowledge and skills, offering flexible work arrangements, matching to credible employers and assist in building long-lasting networking connections.

Our platform also supports BC educational institutions by providing opportunities to their students to gain knowledge and inspiration from specialists in the industry. We are offering a simplified booking process, a solid roster of diverse speakers with various levels of expertise, interests, languages spoken, speech delivery methods and price range to fulfill organizational needs and assist them in building their own roster of favorite speakers.



MAIN FEATURES

Speaker



Personalized Profile

Users can make their profile more engaging by providing detailed information (area of expertise, languages spoken, skills, location, delivery method, about me) as well as adding videos and certifications.



Flexible Schedule

Flexibility to create your own schedule, by setting availability in the calendar and accepting only the events the user is interested in.



Manage Bookings

Users can easily navigate through the different sections of the booking list, as well as manage bookings: accept, decline, cancel, delete.



Feedback From Organization

Ability for the user to get feedback from the organization, which would help their profile to stand out from the crowd.

Organization



Find a speaker

Ability to find speakers according to their area of expertise, languages spoken, speech delivery methods, location and price range.



Save to favorite list

Organizations can save speakers to their favorite's list for the future work arrangements.

02

**Design
And
Development
Plan**

DESIGN PLAN

WEEK01

Project idea / Team roles and responsibilities / Platforms and frameworks

WEEK02

Project Blueprints / User Flow / User Stories / Personas / Market analysis / Main features / Branding: Web app name

WEEK03

Low-fidelity wireframe (version 1.0) / Unique features / UI style research (moodboard)

WEEK04

Usability test results / Branding: Logo Design / UI Kit / Wireframe (version 2.0)

WEEK05

Accessibility (blind safe color palette) / UI Kit completion

WEEK06

Components / Content creation (photos, user's bio)

WEEK07

Mockups / UI prototype

WEEK08

Project Proposal (first draft) / Mockups Locked

WEEK09

Burndown Chart / Social Media Asset

WEEK10

Project Proposal (version for print)

WEEK11

Presentation Script

WEEK12

Presentation Draft

WEEK13

Final Presentation (slide deck and demo video)

DEVELOPMENT PLAN

WEEK01

Project Idea / Basic Developers Environment set up

WEEK02

Defined Back-End technologies / System Architecture

WEEK03

Database Structure / Development milestones

WEEK04

Starter React app on Netlify Deployment / Set up CI/CD and MongoDB on Heroku / Data Model

WEEK05

React Component Tree / State management and styling method decisions / Linting, Formatter setting / Authentication Endpoints

WEEK06

Higher-level Components / Homepage and Register pages / Speaker Profile, Speaker list, User Authentication Endpoints

WEEK07

Speaker Profile Components / Speaker Register Components / My page for Speaker / User Information and Booking information CRUD API

WEEK08

My page for Organization / Filtering function for Find a Speaker page / Speaker booking Endpoints / Speaker Profile Components / Set Availability with Calendar

WEEK09

Landing Page / Issue tracking and Bug Fixes / Review Components / Review Endpoints

WEEK10

Contact, About, How it works pages / Data Visualisation on a Landing page / Styling for all components

WEEK11

Testing / Bug Fixes

WEEK12

Launching





WEEK13

Final Presentation (slide deck and demo video)

03

**Market
Analysis**

COMPETITORS

	Speakers new to the profession	A massive educational speakers roster	Feedback from the Organization	Free or low-price speaking service
 GUEST ME	✓	✓	✓	✓
 “speakers spotlight”	✓	✗	✗	✗
	✗	✓	✓	✗
ProSpeakers.com	✗	✗	✗	✗
	✓	✗	✓	✓

PERSONA



SPEAKER
Johanna Mayer
 32 y.o. / Librarian

User Story

As a librarian, Johanna would like to share her passion for creative writing with youth and is interested in giving speeches in front of a large audience but doesn't know how to start her speaking career.

Goals

- Involve youth in creative writing
- Promote VPL Creative Writing Club
- Find organizations interested in creative writing lectures
- Practice her public speaking skills
- Give back to community

Frustrations

- Was not able to register on the web platform due to the high volume of inquiries from speakers seeking representation
- Contacted speaker's hiring agency, but was told that companies in their roster are looking for more experienced speakers

User Story

The school where Felix works as a physics teacher is actively preparing for the upcoming National Science Day event. He was instructed to find a speaker working in the robotics industry to make the event more engaging and informative for the students.

Goals

- Find a speaker within the school budget
- Provide career guidance and additional motivation for students
- Help students make network connections with industry experts

Frustrations

- Checked several web platforms, but asking price for their service is above school budget
- Limited roster of experts in robotics
- Could not see the availability of speakers in advance



ORGANIZATION
Felix Blackwell

41 y.o. / Secondary School Teacher

04

**Design
Process**

BRANDING



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SPEAKER

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MICROPHONE

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TYPEFACE

Oh Barlow, such a versatile typeface!

Barlow and Barlow Condensed are used for our branding such as logo, as well as, headings, body, and buttons. Barlow is a practical sans serif with friendly quirks, perfect for startups. It is described as a slightly rounded, low-contrast, grotesque type family. It has a good balance of friendly and functional. Due to its many weights and styles, Barlow is perfect for complex websites and app interfaces as text or display font. Its multiple weights can support complex information hierarchies like text-heavy projects. Barlow is also said to be excellent for tech companies looking to create logos communicating simplicity and warm brand personalities. In the spirit of its name, Barlow is part of the Google Fonts free licensed font families and APIs for use with CSS and Android.

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COLOR PALETTE

Mint Blue -Primary Color-
#35AFAC

Mint blue is our branding color, conveying harmony and tranquility, while being refreshing and inviting at the same time. It symbolizes a new beginning. Personal pursuits, advancement and initiative are also associated with this color, reflecting the goals of our platform.

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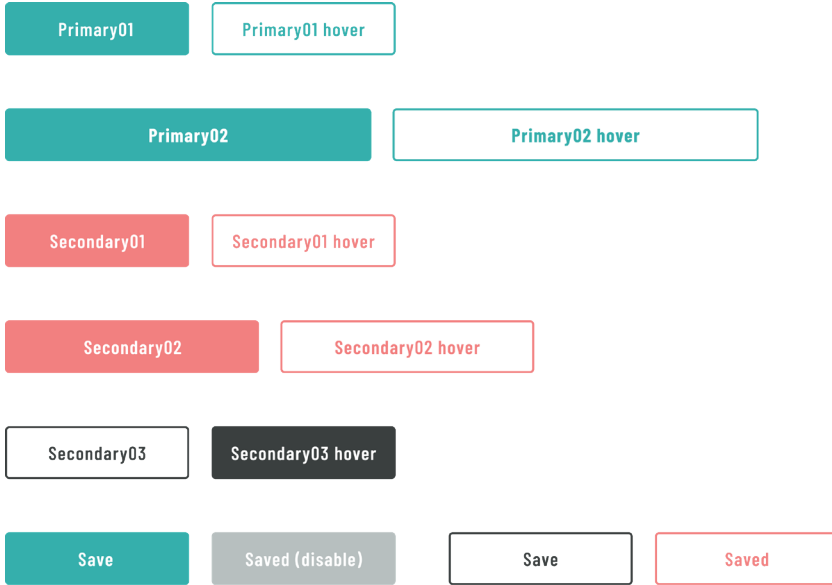
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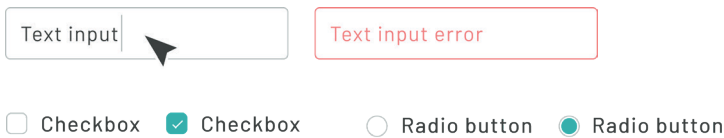
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UI ASSETS

Buttons



Inputs



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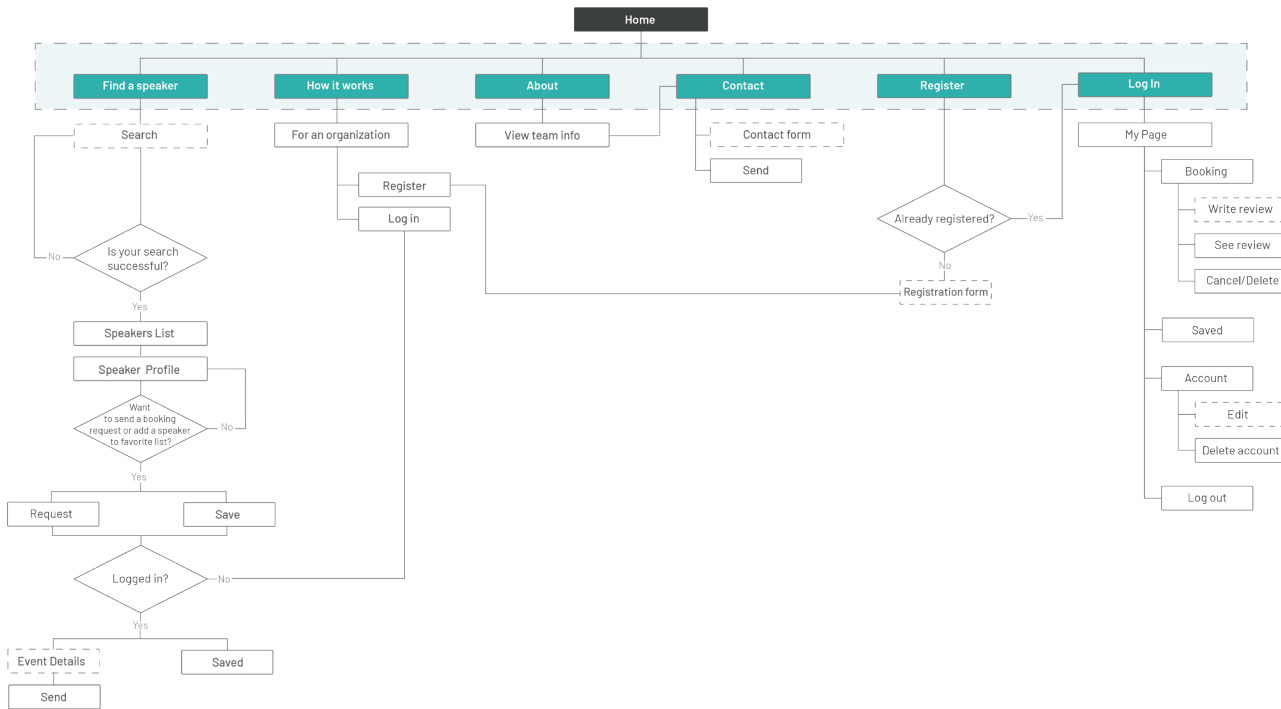
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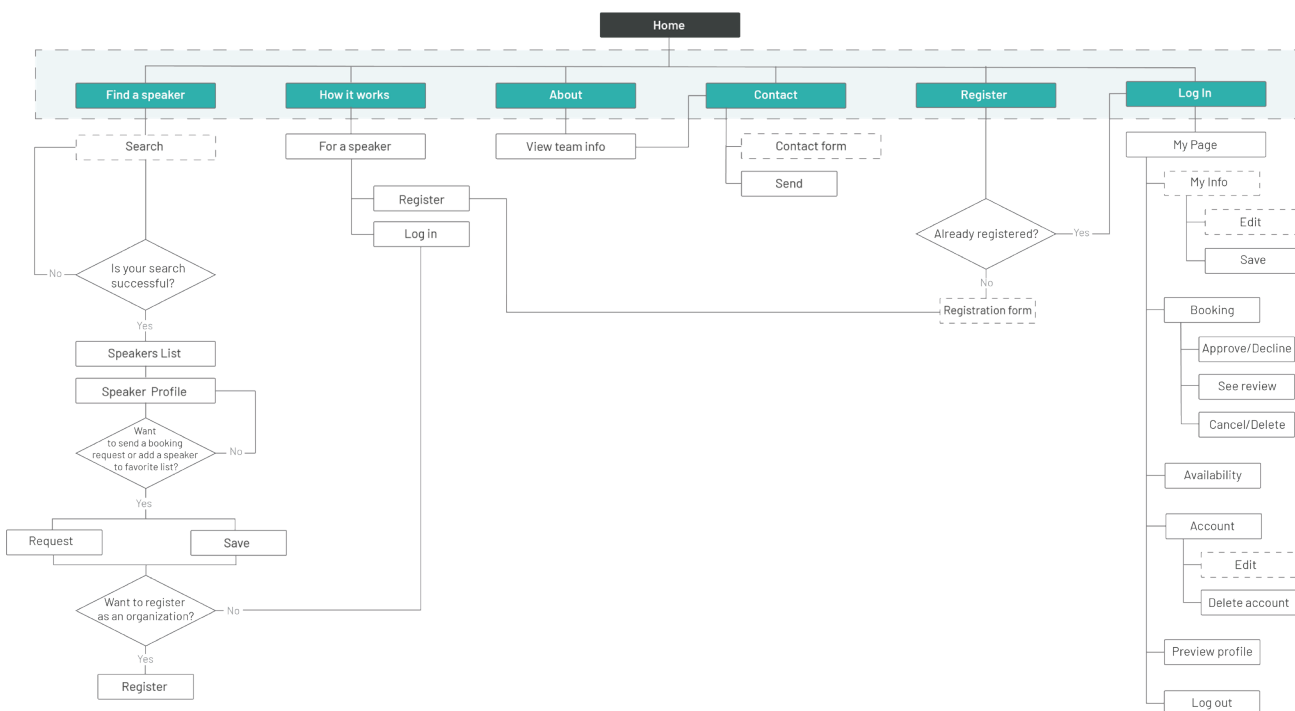
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Organization



Speaker



WIREFRAME

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[How it works](#)

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[Find a speaker](#)

Let's start!

Register as a Speaker

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Already registered?

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Home > Find a speaker

Area of Expertise >

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\$0 - \$1K

Delivery method >
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Speakers list > Speaker profile

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Review : 32 Location : Vancouver

Deliver: In person/Online Rate: \$50/hr

Area of Expertise

Environment | Biology | Mental health | Gardening

Book | Save

Professional interests
Virology, Immunology, Microbiology

Language
English

Certifications
Bachelor of Science, UBC

About me
My name is Silvia and I am from Vancouver BC. My passion is Biology. At university I become more and more interested in how to use microbes to understand metabolism of humans and how it might teach us about diseases. I love exploring nature, hiking, and camping. In my free time, I find new gardening projects.

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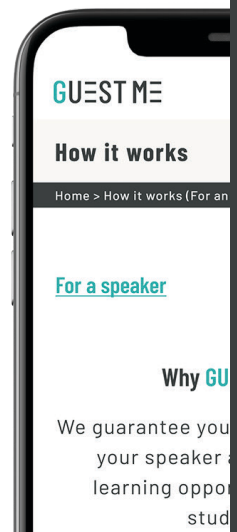
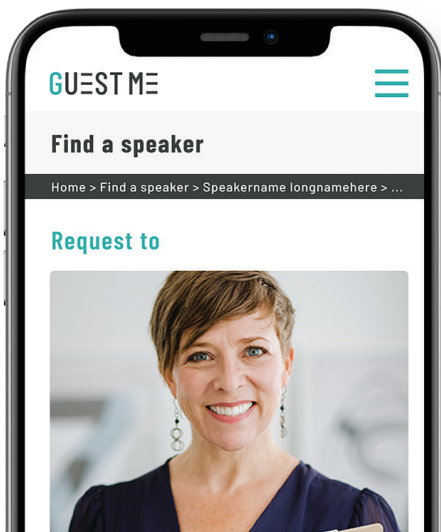
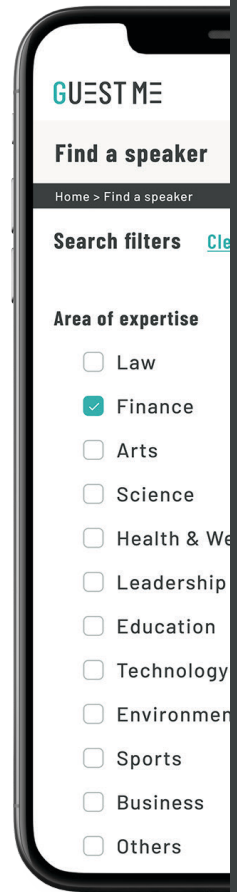
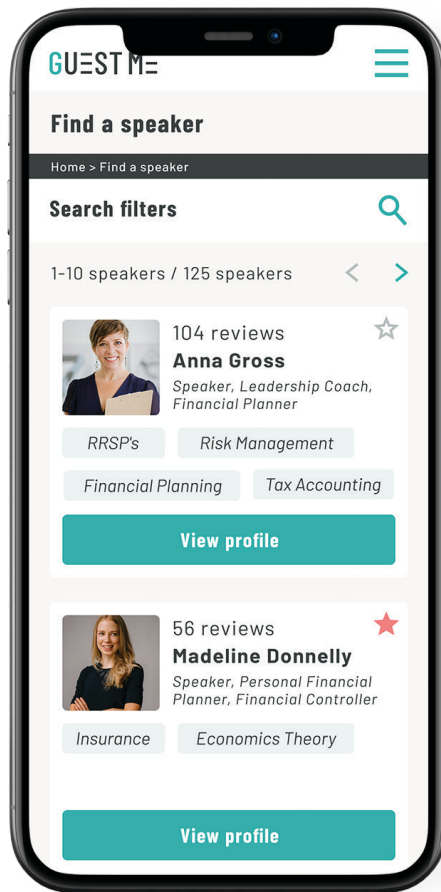
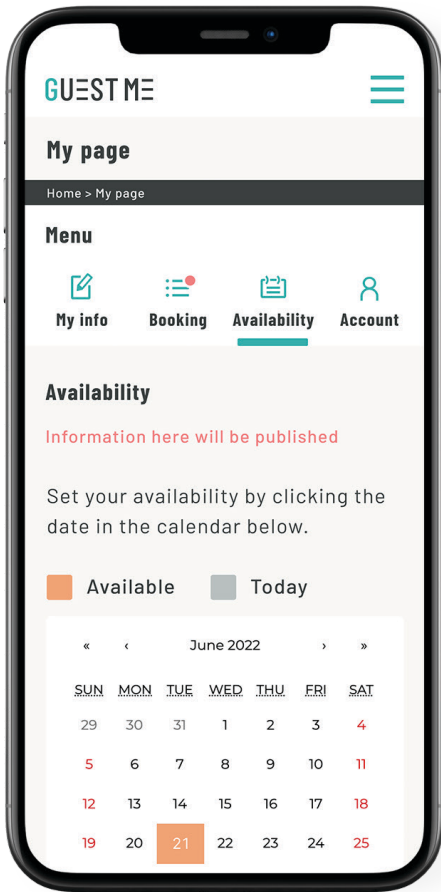
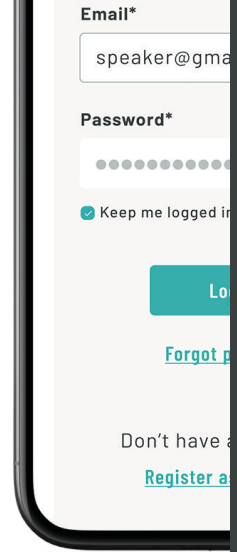
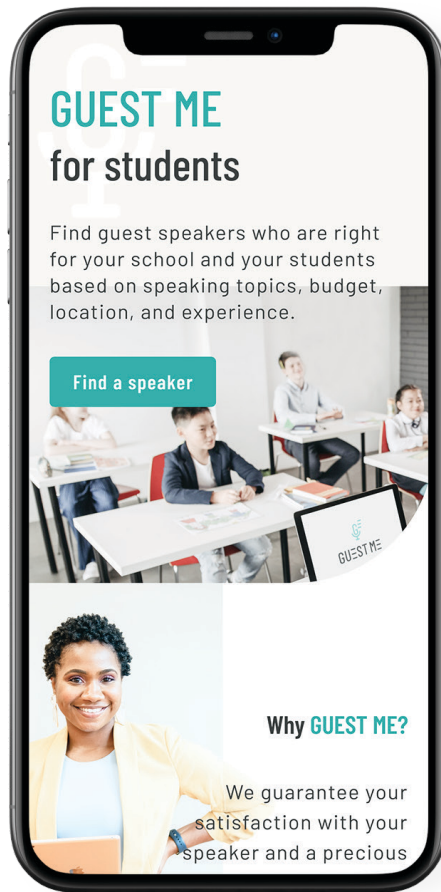
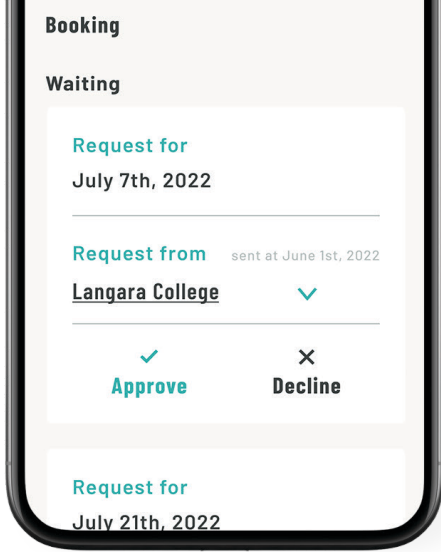
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MOCKUP

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- Wes Adamson.





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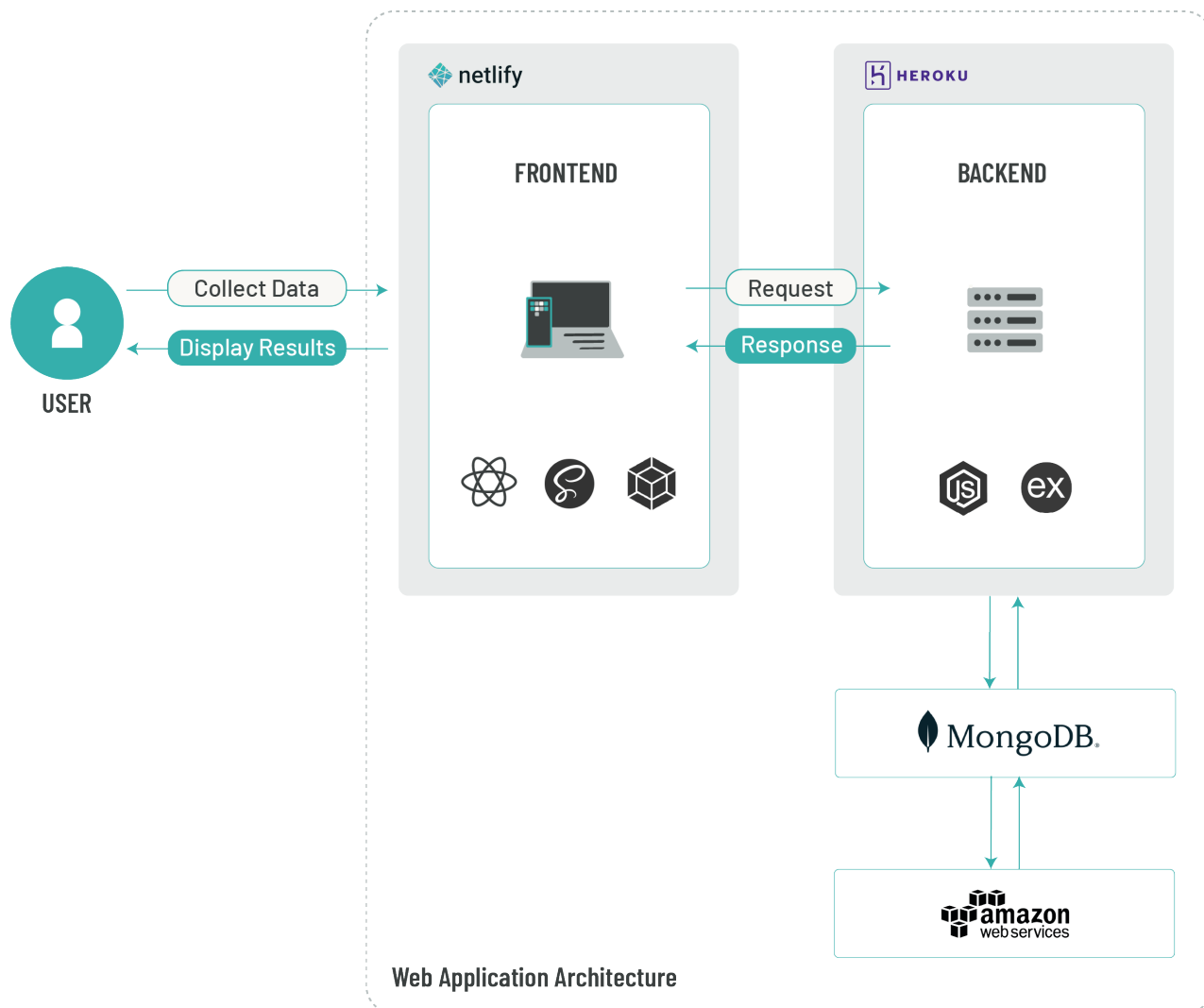
Technical Overview

SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE

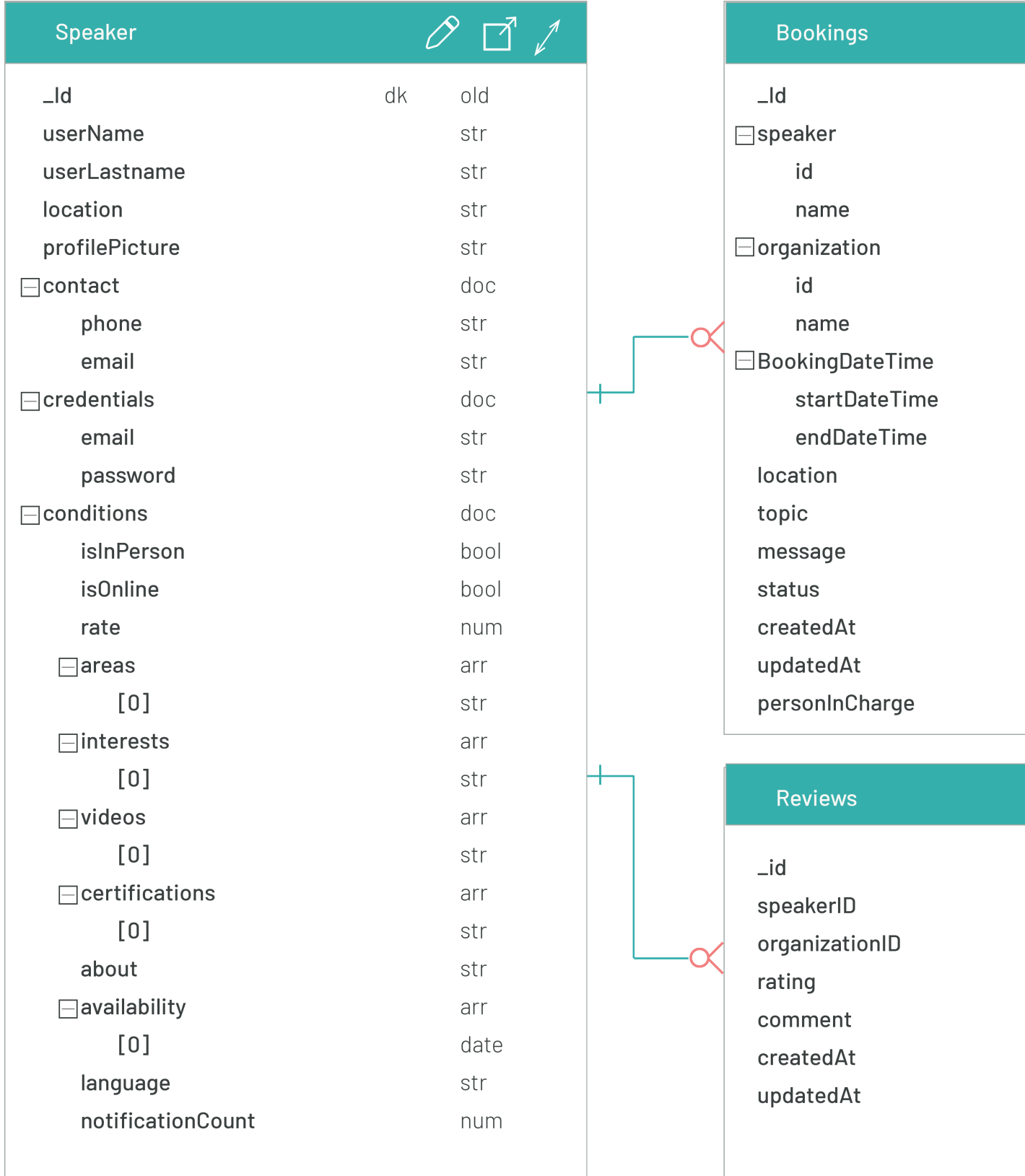
Our web application is built using ReactJS with sass for the frontend and NodeJS with Express on the backend.

For Image and file storage, we use the Amazon S3 bucket and for database MongoDB Atlas.

The frontend is hosted on Netlify and the backend on Heroku. The frontend communicates with the backend using Web-APIs.



DATABASE MODEL

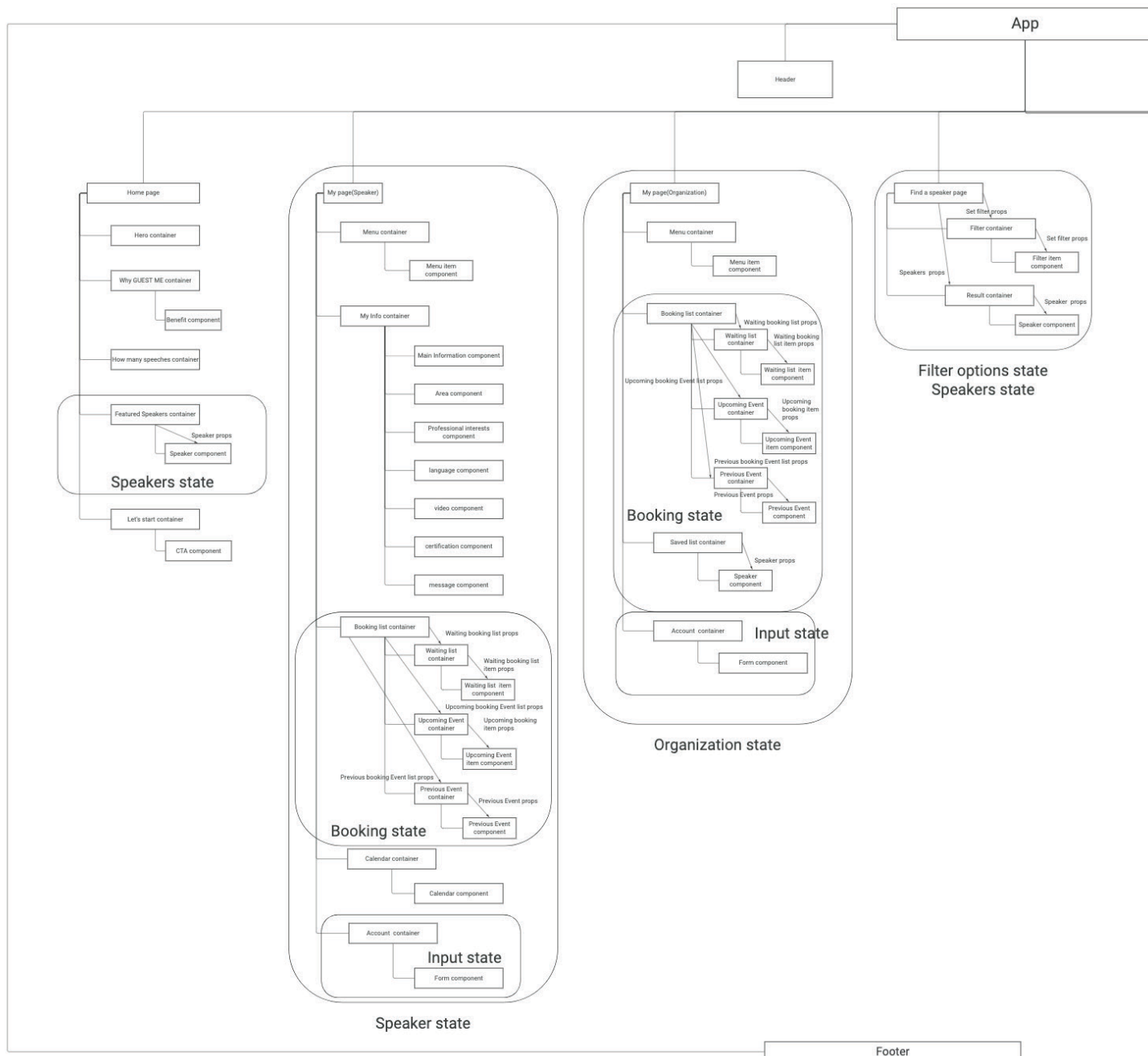


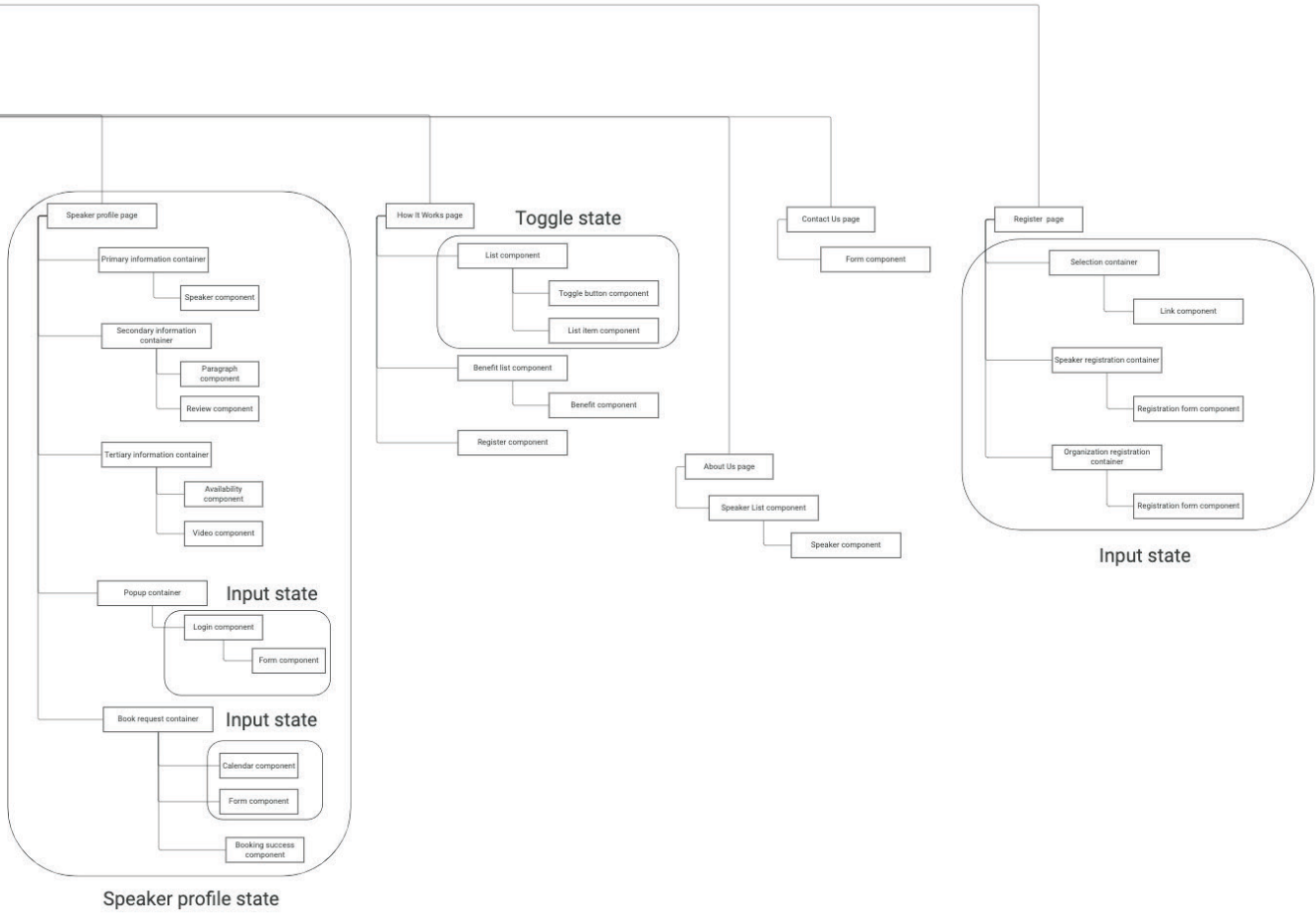
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COMPONENT TREE





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TECHNOLOGIES USED



Project Management

Trello helps our team with organizing and tracking tasks, scheduling, managing documents and facilitating retrospective meetings. Lean Canvas allows us to test our business model and validate the key assumptions. Slack and Zoom are used for communication and demo recording purposes.



Design

We primarily use Figma for creating web application design (mock up, wireframe) and promotional materials, since it is a very convenient tool for collaborative work. Vector graphics (logo) are created in Illustrator, photo editing is done in Photoshop. For the digital and printed promotional materials we use InDesign program.



Tech Stack

Frontend:

We use React JS, the most popular JS library in today's time, which has many advantages and gives complete flexibility to the development team. For Styling, we use SASS and styled-components react library in order to make the coding process simpler and more efficient. Additionally, we use React-Calendar.js and Chart.js libraries for booking feature and data visualization, respectively.



Chart.js

Backend:

We use Node.js, that allows us to execute JavaScript code, a language that our team is comfortable working with, outside the browser. We also work with Express.js framework, which offers helpful utilities to Node.js. For storing our data, we use Mongo DB Atlas, which is suitable for our scaling web application, along with the flexible schema feature, that allows to easily develop enhancements in the future. Mongo DB Atlas, in conjunction with the Mongoose module, gives us flexibility with the boost of several functions to manipulate documents. For file storage, we use AWS S3 for storing images. This Cloud Storage is suitable for our web application because of its scalability.




Deployment:

For the client-side, we use Netlify, that simplifies the deployment process, and it's connected with our GitHub repository, and for the server-side, we use Heroku.



06



**Business
Model**

BUSINESS PLAN

Subscribe to our platform!

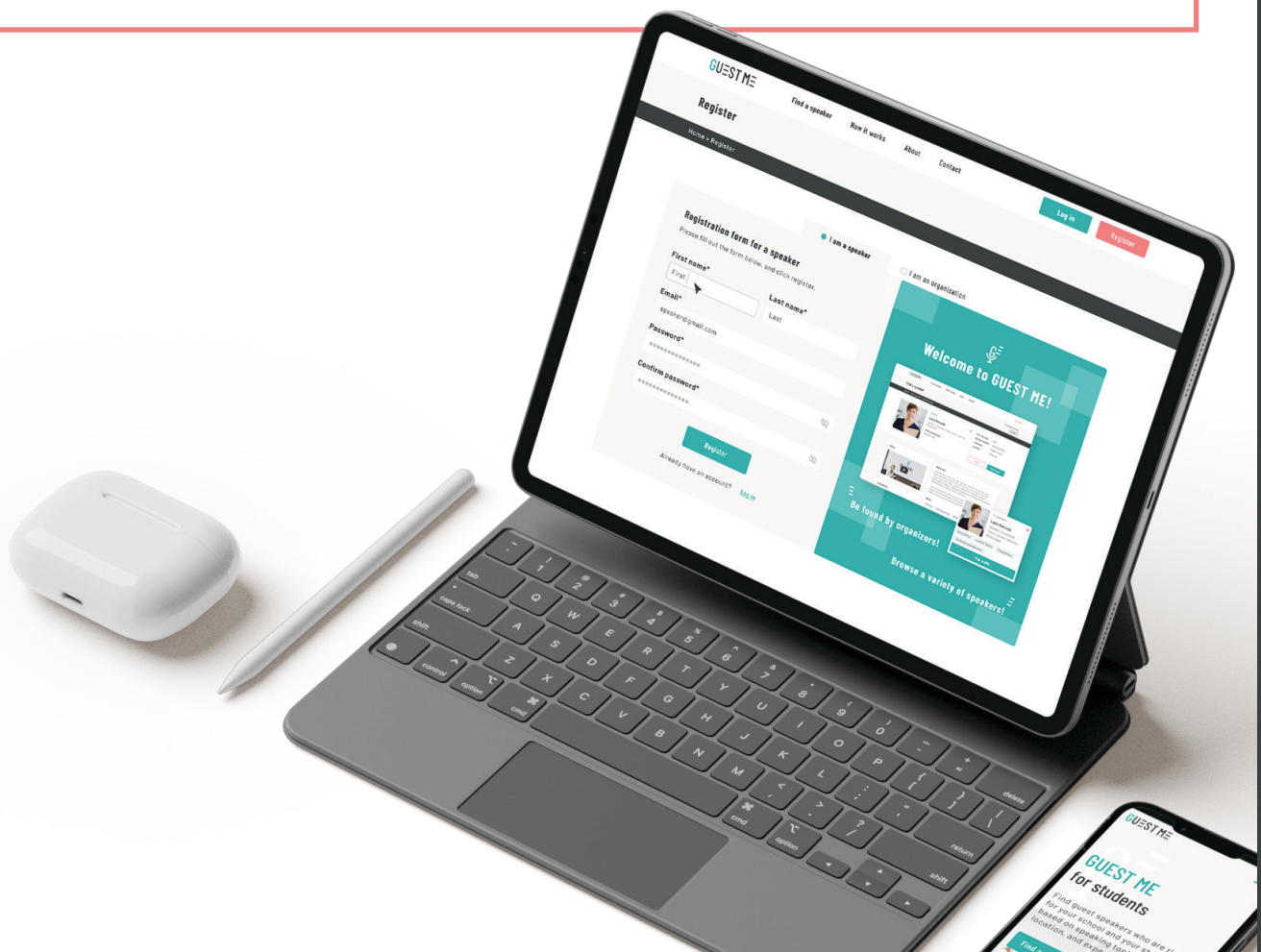
In order to make GUEST ME App a viable business, we will use a subscription-based monetization model.

For the purpose of attracting more speakers, at the launching phase, we will offer one month free trial period, but then speakers will need to subscribe to continue using our platform to offer their services.

The subscription costs will vary depending on the subscription time and change according to the financial market situation. In the second phase, we will develop in-App purchases, and we will collect 10% of every transaction made between speakers and organizations.

Our Subscription Options

- Basic Subscription
- Premium Subscription: Basic Subscription + Advertisements package



MARKETING STRATEGY

Connect with the people who need our service!

We will focus our marketing campaign on digital channels, such as search results and social media advertising. Highly customized targeting options are great reasons to advertise on social media. We will choose an appropriate social media platform depending on our target and goals.

Social media platforms

LinkedIn / Instagram / Facebook

In-app promotion

Users can invite others to join.



07

Team

OUR VISION

Our team of like-minded designers and developers is ready to take on complex projects with passion and enthusiasm!



We believe:

The design and development decisions should meet long-term goals: be oriented to possible requirements in the future as well as to the changes in the technological, social and cultural environment.

We understand:

The importance of the collaborative process and being open to opposing viewpoints or product revisions.

We are ready:

To constantly work on improving the product at each stage of its development, which guarantees to achieve a high-quality final result.

MEMBERS

Designer



Valentina Abanina
Project Manager, UX/UI Designer

Graduated with a Master degree in Fine Arts. Work experience includes Quality Management Specialist in Education, Photographer Supervisor and Drama Instructor.

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Noriko Gondo
Lead Designer, UX/UI Designer

Obtained Bachelor of Economics and International Business degrees. Worked as a Recruitment Consultant and freelance Web Designer.

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Satveer Kaur
UX/UI Designer

Bachelor of Computer Application, Master's degree in computer science (Information Technology). Have experience in web development.

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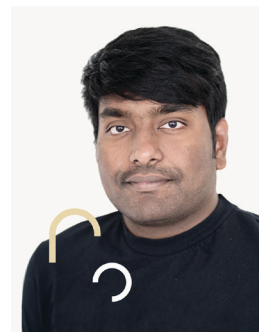
Developer



Jatin Parmar
Lead Developer, Full Stack Developer

Holder of a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Engineering. Extensive experience in developing ERP and Ecommerce web applications.

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Arvind Kumar Suroju
Full Stack Developer

Graduate of a Bachelor in Electronics and Communication Engineering. Experienced Application Engineer and Full Stack developer in the fin-tech industry.

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Koichi Tanaka
Full Stack Developer

Graduate of Bachelor of Information Expression and Informatics in Arts. Worked previously as a full stack web developer.

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Gabriela Fernandez Chaves Arriola
Full Stack Developer

Bachelor of Accounting degree holder. Extensive experience in Management Control and Logistic teams in Hospitality and Casino industry.

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To our instructors and instructor assistants!

Team Neptune would like to send their heartfelt appreciation for all your help, mentorship and feedback during our educational journey. We believe as inspiring designers and developers entering the industry, we were able to gain and enhance our knowledge and skills in these areas and grow as individuals.

From Designers

Thanks to you, we have learned to be in constant **movement**, find pleasure in task **repetition**, maintained a **balance** between theoretical and practical skills and have discovered a **variety** of methods and techniques. Working on the group projects we achieved team **unity**. You did not follow the strict principles of **hierarchy**, rather being more like friends to us. There was no place in the auditory for the **white space** of empty desks, only curious students!

From Developers

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const thanks = finalVersionProposal ? meaningfulText : lorem;
console.log(thanks);
```

Output;

Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit.
Duis a erat tempus nunc ultrices fermentum.

We swear that was working a minute ago! Ok, let us hard code it just for now... No words can **express** our gratitude to you. We learned about **commitment** to a team because it doesn't matter how **agile** and brilliant our minds are, playing solo is not the answer. 'Scope' turned into our most used word, and we understood that **pushing** ourselves is great, but we also need to **rest**. We realized that "no code has zero defects", and **debugging** it's an opportunity to **pull** harder. Thanks to your teachings we feel fully prepared to **react** with flexibility to any **variable** that comes our way. And that if everything fails, we always can **reboot**.

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