Jim McKelvey

Co-Founder, with Jack Dorsey, of Square

"Jim McKelvey has altered the way money changes hands"

Jim McKelvey is an entrepreneur, inventor and artist widely known, together with Jack Dorsey as the co-founder of Square, a new mobile payment platform. The revolutionary service enables anyone to accept credit cards anywhere. Square has now more than 600 employees and is valued at $6 billion.

TOPICS:

- Innovation and Creativity - Upcoming Technology Trends
- Building a Billion Dollar Business
- The LaunchCode - New Ways in Education
- Payments, Mobile and the Future of Money
- Seeing Around Corners - Location, Mobility and the Future of Retail
- Connecting Science and Arts with the Business World

LANGUAGES:

He presents in English.

PUBLICATIONS:

2006 The Art of Fire: Beginning Glassblowing

IN DETAIL:

He has also founded SixThirty, a financial services tech start up accelerator and Mira, a digital publishing company. Jim serves as his own patron of the arts, using proceeds from his successful commercial enterprises to fund his passion – glassblowing. For 20 years, he has worked to capture the magic of glass in his art. As Chairman of the world's largest gathering of glass artists in 2006, he strove to surprise and challenge other artists with his innovative glass faucets.

WHAT HE OFFERS YOU:

Jim McKelvey is a dynamic public speaker who combines his energy with his practical experience working with executives and various companies. In his speeches, Jim discusses how market demand is the driving force of innovation and how great entrepreneurs and innovators recognize a need and react, creating the companies that consumers embrace. He was named one of *Inc. Magazine's*" 15 Entrepreneurs to Watch in 2015".

HOW HE PRESENTS:

Jim's high-energy style and power-packed presentations have built his reputation as a speaker who really delivers. He has been known to change presentations on the fly based on audience feedback and to welcome interruptions during his talks.