



## Mike Dudgeon

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### Math, Nerf Guns, and Late Nights: *The Inside Story on Being Paid to Program Video Games*

Monday, March 27, 2017  
2:00-3:00pm  
*Reception to follow*

Marietta Campus  
Wilson Student Center, Ballroom A&B  
1100 South Marietta Pkwy SE  
Marietta, GA 30060

**About the Talk:** When you ask recent computer science graduates what type of business they want to work for, a large number will say video games. The video game industry is very competitive for CS jobs, and those who work in the industry tend to love the work and never want to leave the sector. In this talk, Mike Dudgeon will explain how Atlanta based Hi-Rez Studios, creator of Tribes: Ascend, SMITE, and Paladins, was founded, and what it is like to work as a programmer in the video game industry. Lastly, the presentation will also include how politics and technology intersect.

**About the Speaker:** Mike Dudgeon joined Alpharetta based video game startup Hi-Rez Studios in 2008, where he currently serves as Chief Technology Officer. Mike holds a Bachelors and Masters degree in Electrical Engineering from Georgia Tech, five U.S. patents, and has been an entrepreneur in the technology business his entire career. Mike Dudgeon is a former six year State Representative for District 25, which covers the southern part of Forsyth County and the northern parts of Johns Creek in Fulton County. While in the legislature he was Vice Chair of the Education Committee and was also very involved in energy and budget issues. Mike and his wife, Lori, have three boys and recently became foster parents to two young sisters. Mike has a passion for youth and public service and is very active in the community.

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