

CHRIS BARTON

Founder and Creator of Shazam, Entrepreneur, Inventor, and Tech Investor

TESTIMONIALS

“Yours was one of the top five keynotes I’ve ever seen.”

– *Conference Manager, Gartner India Research & Advisory Services Private Limited*

“Best keynote in my eleven years at Sura.”

– *CEO, SURA Asset Management*

“Your energy was so very encouraging and inspirational; you took a hugely successful big idea and made it relatable to a very diverse, cross-section of our colleagues who were present. You rock, Brother!”

– *President, Dominion Energy Services, Inc.*

“We LOVED working with Chris – he was incredibly easy going, which was appreciated. The presentation went so well, and he even got a standing ovation!”

– *Project Management Institute (PMI)*

“You were brilliant – everyone is talking about you! I cannot tell you the positive feedback we’ve had from your keynote! You made the event for us and were so great to work with.”

– *World Federation of Direct Selling Associations (WFDSA)*

“That was one of the best speeches I’ve ever heard - the story was incredibly compelling, the messages resonated, the format – slide/music/video – was engaging...just a total home run!”

– *VP and GM, BMC Software, Inc.*

“You inspired everyone in the audience. And receiving a standing ovation from a full crowd of entrepreneurs is the result of your astonishing history.”

– *Manager of Special Projects, Cámara de Comercio de Bogotá (Chamber of Commerce of Bogotá)*

“You were the hit of the whole event. Really, it was a pleasure to host you and hope we meet again. You are a true inspiration. People asked me if you were as nice as you seemed on stage - oh boy, that was easy. You are a true gentleman and it was an honor to meet you.”

– *CEO, Info-Tech Research Group*

“Your session this afternoon was incredible. I loved every second of it. As a music nerd, vinyl collector and techie, I found it fun and exciting along with being very creative and inspirational. In all honesty, you could and should triple your fee.”

– *Vice President of Corporate Events, Info-Tech Research Group*

“The feedback from my customers was incredible! You nailed it!”

– *Senior Vice President, Canada Life*

“It was so powerful. The tech guys today said your presentation is the best they have seen and they do all kinds of events and conferences all over Nashville. It was also so genuine, emotional. I think the audience felt incredibly connected to you and your story. A guy at lunch told me he cried at the end of your keynote today. Inspired tears are the best.”

– *Vice President of Marketing & Communications, America’s Small Business Development Center (SBDC)*

“Your presentation set the perfect tone for everything that followed. You opened people’s eyes to a new way of looking at solving the inevitable challenges of trying new things in business. That spirit of openness and discovery carried over to sessions throughout the conference. I’m certain people got more out of their time together as a result and that was a priority for us. Not only did you deliver a great keynote, but you were a true professional throughout the process; easy to work with, engaged directly with attendees and showed a genuine interest to learn about our industry and objectives.”

– *Senior Director Product, Marketing and Fintech, Celero Solutions*

“Your humor and thought-provoking content brought our keynote to life! Thank you for engaging our audience with insights and tools they can use right away to navigate the changes that are going on in the world of investing. People could really relate to the ups and downs you experienced on your journey in creating Shazam. The long line for selfies afterwards speaks for itself. You’re a great speaker with a very powerful and inspiring message!”

– *Head of Marketing (global investment firm)*

“Chris delivered a truly inspiring talk to almost 2000 King employees during our flagship event. It’s among the best we’ve ever had! We appreciate how Chris tailored the message for us, tied it to King’s mission of Making the World Playful, and left Kingsters feeling inspired and encouraged to truly believe in our ideas, seeking out ways to take them to the next level.”

– *Global Associate Director of Events, King, creator/owner of Candy Crush*

“What a message, Chris! We were eagerly anticipating your talk at our Boston conference and you absolutely delivered. You have such an engaging stage manner and your message was perfect for this audience, which puts a premium on actionable insights from real people who’ve accomplished unreal things! The magical Shazam app certainly falls in that category. Thank you for inspiring our people to look tough challenges in the eye and hit them head on.”

– *Senior Director of Education and Strategic Initiatives, American Montessori Society*

“Your speech was not only thought-provoking but also relatable, and it gave the audience a sense of renewed motivation to push beyond limits and create something innovative... Your speech reminded us that setbacks are not the end but rather the beginning of greatness... Many thanks for being a beacon of inspiration and for all that you have done and continue to do to pave the way for young entrepreneurs.”

– *Vice Governor, SME Authority in Saudi Arabia, Monshaat*

“We recently had Chris Barton speak at our 40th anniversary celebration. He delivered what was by far the best one hour keynote that our clients and staff had ever seen. Chris was insightful, energetic, and entertaining speaker with thought-provoking ideas.”

– *CEO, Costa Rica, Porter Novelli*

“Chris customized a powerful keynote that delivered significant value for Coca-Cola. His messages sparked action among our executives and inspired our bottler partners toward our goals. Chris’s energy and enthusiasm really stands out. He is an inspiration with truly eye-opening insights and stories.”

– *VP Customer & Commercial Leadership, Coca-Cola*

“Brilliant, brilliant, brilliant speaker! Chris delivered an inspiring and on point presentation tailored to over 7,000 Optus employees to launch our new Innovation strategy. To date, Chris’s talk attracted the highest in real time attendance and engagement as compared to any other speaker we have had on this topic. Chris shed light on how innovation can be a big breakthrough, but it can also be an everyday improvement sharing practical examples from his time at Shazam and Google. The presentation balanced both the mindset that is required to drive a cultural shift for innovation as well as the process to bring innovative ideas to life. Chris delivered a compelling talk that generated talkability across the organization with leaders revisiting the recording later with their teams to help reinforce key messages. Powerful content delivered with an engaging story!”

– *Director Innovation Strategy, Optus*

“We invited Chris as our keynote speaker for two events that we held in Brazil and Mexico for Mercado Libre in the summer of 2022. We invited more than 60 CEO's and top executives to these exclusive “C-Club” events. Chris worked with us to understand the key objectives of these events and delivered a truly inspiring keynote speech that was customized for our goals. Our guests were thrilled! Chris' powerful messages and stories changed their thinking on innovation. Everyone was able to take away unique insights that they can apply day to day in both their organizations and personal lives. It was very important for us at Mercado Libre to work with someone who reflects our culture and Chris could not have been a better partner. He is a down to earth and humble person who dreams big and is always thinking about new ways to improve people's lives. At a personal level I can say that it was a huge pleasure to meet Chris.”

– *Vice President, Marketing, Mercado Libre*

“Chris embodies inspiration from head to toe. We loved his stories and insights on the core mindsets that lead to game-changing innovation. His delivery was fun, genuine and honest, both during his speech and as our “guest star” at my leadership team’s offsite dinner.”

– *CEO, Mexico, L'Oréal*

“Every single person loved your presentation. All day people were coming up to me. Loved that there was so much take away. People are still buzzing about your presentation days later. Thanks for making me look good 😊”

– *Sr. Vice President/Chief Operations Officer, YMCA*

“Chris's keynote completely captivated our audience of 1700+ SAP customers, partners, and employees. His talk was truly entertaining and inspiring. Our audience's perception of entrepreneurial innovation was completely transformed.”

– *Managing Director, Switzerland, SAP*

“Chris delivered! He captivated the audience at our annual summer event. His firsthand stories as well as insights drawn from other companies were fascinating to our EO members that come from so many businesses. Chris left us with compelling lessons and a fresh perspective that will stick for years to come.”

– *Chapter President, Dominican Republic, Entrepreneurs' Organization*

“A good speaker communicates but a great speaker connects. As an MC, applause usually signals the end of one speech and is my cue to get back on stage. Chris is a different breed of speaker - his story is so authentic and inspiring that he received multiple applause breaks throughout his speech. A particularly impressive feat especially given that he was addressing 5000+ predominantly German business professionals after they had already been wowed by President Obama earlier at that same event. I've been a professional Event MC and host to over 500 events around the world and I must say Chris is a truly gifted speaker and genuinely beautiful soul.”

– *Master of Ceremonies, DamRam*