

THE COLUMNISTS

JPM asks six performance professionals to weigh in on a single topic.
What's one thing about you (until now) that few people know?

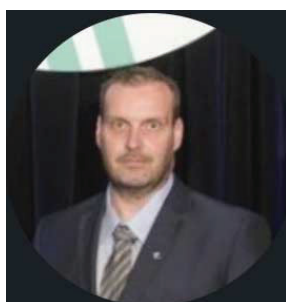


**YOSHIAKI
AKEDA**

I was the first high jumper at my high school to attempt and achieve the Fosbury Flop. My coach and teammates thought the technique was dangerous and that I'd end up breaking my neck. A few months before I successfully completed this jump, I was deeply moved by the beautiful trajectory of Dick Fosbury's novel style of high jumping in the 1968 Olympic Games. His technique is not only innovative but also logical.

During my career in asset management and related industries, I aimed to be innovative and logical in my work, and what's more beautiful than that? Although most of my attempts were mediocre ones, some were successful and quite satisfying.

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**PATRICK
FONTAINE**

Ten years ago, my girlfriend gave me a Lego Technic set for Christmas and I totally fell back into childhood. Since then, I have amassed a collection of over 80,000 Lego pieces. Some of my boxes remain sealed after all these years. Since I am a guy from the middle office, I decided to mix two of my passions; Lego and the Stock Market. I maintain an Excel spreadsheet of my collection that calculates my P&L. The price paid versus the market value, and my next step is to link it with Power BI. It's really interesting because, for those who don't know, there is a market for Lego and the price moves over time, just like the stock market.

Patrick Fontaine, CIPM is Counselor, Financial Operations at Hydro Quebec Pension Fund.



**PETER
HORNE**

Few people will know that I have been programming computers since I was 13 years old. In 1980, my science teacher loaned me a Sinclair ZX80 computer, and I haven't stopped since. Even as my career moved into management to the point where I became the CEO of a listed brokerage and technology company, I still programmed and stayed current in crypto technology and forums. I always kept this private because talking about deep technology tends to typecast you with many people, but in 2009 I decided I would leave management and get back on the tools with my own ventures and Northfield. I have also been successful as a technical sleuth, and in 2015 I helped The New York Times expose the Superfish malware on Lenovo computers.

Peter Horne has worked for over 30 years in product and technology development in the financial services industry. He is a Research and Development Associate at Northfield Information Systems.