

Biography for JoeBen Bevirt:

JoeBen Bevirt is the founder and CEO of Joby Aero, Inc., a mobility company that is building a fully-electric vertical take-off and landing (VTOL) passenger aircraft optimized to deliver an air taxi service. The Company is certifying a 5-seat aircraft nearly twice as fast and yet 100 times quieter than a helicopter.

Born an engineer, JoeBen has dedicated his life to driving radical innovation in the fields of electric propulsion and robotics. In 1999, JoeBen co-founded Velocity11 to develop high-performance robotic laboratory systems. Velocity11 experienced incredible growth and was acquired by Agilent Technologies in 2007. In 2005, he founded Joby Inc., which develops useful, unique, and delightful consumer products, including the popular Gorillapod flexible camera tripod.

JoeBen holds a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from the University of California, Davis and an M.S. in Mechanical Engineering from Stanford University. He is the recipient of the 2018 Haueter Award for outstanding technical contribution to the field of VTOL aircraft development. He holds 40 U.S. patents.