

# Ben Cowper

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## Education

**Hampshire College (2016)**

B.A. in Film and Video Production

**Kingswood Oxford (2012)**

High School Diploma

## Work Experience

**Hampshire College Media Alumni Fellow (2017)**

Teaching workshops in media production, mentoring students and faculty with independent projects, managing media production labs and 3D printing/scanning equipment. Designed and constructed a 4K TV studio.

**Freelance Filmmaker (2007 - Present)**

Filmed and edited over 100 videos for a variety of commercial and independent clients including: Yale University, PBS American Masters, Cambridge University Press, Northampton Chamber of Commerce, Global Fibrosis Foundation.

**Straight Ahead Pictures (2016 - 2017)**

Web design, marketing, and fundraising for the PBS American Masters documentary *Becoming Helen Keller*.

**San Francisco Frozen Film Festival (2014)**

Festival intern in charge of promotion, fundraising, projection, selection and curation of films.

## Film Production

**Cinematographer** Canon 5DmkIII (Magic Lantern), Canon C100, Blackmagic, GoPro, 16mm Bolex, Super 8, Glidecam, Still photography (Digital, 35mm, medium and large format)

**Editor/Colorist** Adobe Premiere, After Effects, Photoshop, Final Cut Pro, DaVinci Resolve

**Lighting Designer** Film set and live theater experience: Arri, Lowel, Kino, ETC

**Audio** 5.1 surround and stereo recording/mixing: Zoom, Tascam, ProTools, Audition, Logic

**Archivist** Digital transfer and preservation of archaic media formats.

**Live Streaming** Installing and live switching video, audio, and slideshows for conferences.

## Other Skills

**Web/Graphic Design** Designer for multiple clients (Illustrator, InDesign, Squarespace, Wix, Wordpress)

**Programming/IT** Python, HTML, CSS, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Arduino, app development, Apple hardware and software.

**Journalism** Staff writer, photographer, editor for The Climax print and web newspaper.

**Radio Host (2012 - 2015)** Produced two college shows, skilled with production and broadcast equipment.

**80 WPM Typist** (Transcription, Microsoft Office, Google Drive, iCloud)

**Teaching** Guest instructor for Amherst College film class, TA for 4 college film classes, assistant instructor for 2 years at Creative Media Institute, TA Seminar Certificate, designed and taught a college level video course for one semester.

## Awards and Achievements

Director of Photography *Darkville* (Channel 101 show, screened 2 episodes at UCB Theatre 2015 & 2016)

*Tom Joslin Grant* - Recipient for thesis film at Hampshire College (2016)

*Green Prize* - Recipient for excellence in dramatics at Kingswood Oxford (2012)

*Williston-Northampton Film Festival* - Director of a short film screened in 2012