Ben Cowper
resume

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Education

Hampshire College (2016) — B.A. in Film and Video Production
University of Minnesota College of Liberal Arts (2018) — Graduate level Media Arts coursework

Work

University of Minnesota (2018)
Video Producer, Academic Technologist, and Web Designer for the Psychology Department. I consulted with faculty and graduate students, produced videos, designed websites, and managed online courses on Moodle and Canvas.

Hampshire College Media Alumni Fellow (2017)
I was the primary resource for faculty and students of all skill levels needing media production assistance. I upgraded advanced media production facilities, designed and constructed a 4K broadcast TV studio with a cyclorama green screen, and operated a 3D printer/scanner. I also led workshops and lectured on color grading and video editing.

Teaching (2013 - 2017)
After college, I was hired as a regular guest instructor for a film course at Amherst College. During my undergraduate, I was a Teaching Assistant for three film courses, an assistant instructor for two years at the Creative Media Institute (a summer film program), and created and taught a full semester video course completed by 12 college students.

Straight Ahead Pictures (2016 - 2017)
I was head of digital marketing, coded and designed a website, and shot video for a PBS *American Masters* film.

Journalism (2012 - 2015)
I worked as a staff writer and photography editor for *The Climax*, a print and web newspaper.
For 2 years I was an on-air host and producer for some of Hampshire College's most popular radio shows.

San Francisco Frozen Film Festival (2014)
I was in charge of promotional videos, social media marketing, fundraising, projection, selection, and curation of films.

Film and Technical

Cinematographer 5DmkIII w/Magic Lantern, Blackmagic Cinema, Canon C100, GoPro, 16mm Bolex, Super 8

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

Audio Engineer 5.1 surround and stereo recording/mixing (ProTools, Audition, Logic)

Web Design, Coding Python, HTML, CSS, LaTeX, Arduino, Apple, Google, Microsoft, Squarespace, Wordpress

Lighting Designer Designing and drawing lighting plots for film and theatre productions

Photographer Digital, 35mm, medium format, and large format film

Archivist Digitally transferring, preserving, and authoring archaic media formats

Live Streaming Live switching of A/V for television, theatre, and conferences. Designed and built a 4 camera live TV production and green screen studio. (Blackmagic ATEM, Roland V-Mixer)

Awards and Achievements

Tom Joslin Grant - Received funding for my thesis film *Nona* at Hampshire College — 2016
Channel 101 - Director of Photography on *Darkville* (2 episodes), screened at UCB Theatre in New York — 2015
Green Prize - Awarded for excellence in dramatics at Kingswood Oxford — 2012
Williston-Northampton Film Festival - Director of a short film selected for the festival — 2011