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

Freelance Filmmaker (2010 - Present)

Founder of freelance production company, filmed and edited over 75 projects for a wide variety of commercial and independent clients including: Yale University, Global Fibrosis Foundation, Madhatters Theatre, Cambridge University Press, Guilford Art Center, Artful Living, Shoreline Actors Collective, The Country School, Hampshire College, Mount Holyoke College, Northampton Chamber of Commerce, ServiceNet, and *The Shanghai String Quartet.*

Straight Ahead Pictures (2016 - Present)

Web design, marketing, and fundraising for the 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 and Video Production Experience (2007 - Present)

Cinematographer Canon 5DmkIII (Magic Lantern), Canon C100, Canon 60D, Blackmagic, GoPro, Sony, JVC, Panasonic, Nikon, 16mm Bolex, Super 8, Glidecam, digital/analog still photography (35, medium, large format)

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

Lighting Designer Arri, Lowel, Kino, ETC

Sound Recordist/Mixing Zoom, Tascam, ProTools, Logic, Adobe Audition 5.1 & stereo mixes

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, Arduino, Mobile Apps, Apple hardware and software tech.

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)

Recipient of Tom Joslin Grant at Hampshire College (2016)

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

Director *The Great Gatsby* (Short, screened at Williston-Northampton Film Festival 2010)