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# BEN SPOONER

### MUSIC & SOUND SPECIALIST

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### **PROFILE**

I am a highly motivated, communicative and tenacious individual who loves nothing more than working on a project, especially seeing it through to completion. I have strong experience working within almost all areas of the music and sound industry and I'm now interested in taking on adhoc freelance projects that interest and inspire me.

### **EXPERIENCE**

#### Musician 11-

2023 Self Employed Business 12 years+

#### - Composer | Sound Editor | Sound Designer

Projects include: commercial projects for brands (Kuoni, Studiowinkler); soundtracks to a suite of animated shorts (including When We Fell); editing voice overs for wellness video content (Hayley Jade); original music and sound design for a video game (Keep The Music Alive); plus much more.

#### - Educator | Examiner

Music tutor teaching the drum kit, piano, production and music theory to children and adults, from beginner to grade 8 and above, classical, jazz, and rock & pop syllabuses. Between 2019 - 2022 I worked as an examiner for Yamaha and RSL. This role required me to have a well rounded knowledge of different genres, a high-degree of instrument specialism and an understanding of musical assessment. I marked grades 1 to 8 and diploma level on all of their popular and classical instruments.

#### - Performer

Session drummer for live shows, studio projects and filmed recordings for a range of artists. Shaw Thing Artist Management (2013-16): Session drummer for artists including Joy Crookes. Performances at venues such as Sofar sounds, Roundhouse, Abbey Road Studio.

### **EDUCATION**

#### University of Hertfordshire

2022 | MSc in Music and Sound for Film and Games - DISTINCTION

#### **LCCM**

2011 | BMus in Music Performance and Production

### TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Drums, piano, production, scoring
- Logic X, Sibelius, Izotope RX
- FMOD, Unity, C#
- Comprehensive knowledge of the graded music sector in the UK
- High technical expertise
- Live sound engineering
- Complex multi-instrument transcription
- Music examinations

## SOFT SKILLS

- Can-do attitude
- Organisation
- · Good communication with clients
- Work well independently
- Quick and adaptive learner

### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

- Composed soundtrack to multi-award winning animated short film
- · Author of piano method
- Live sound engineer at Chelsea Physics gardens summer events 2022

### REFERENCES

Available upon request