

Ryan Fine

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EDUCATION

University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music, Bachelor of Music, 3.77 GPA, Class of 2017

- Commercial Music Production major, Entrepreneurship minor
- Significant Accomplishments as a student: led a team for the creation of a full business plan for an original business concept, participated as an entrepreneur in the University of Cincinnati Start-Up Incubator program, finalist in university-wide writing competition for one of my song's lyrics, wrote and conducted original compositions for Jazz big bands, Classical orchestras, string quartets, and wrote an extraordinary amount of singer-songwriter/pop songs with recorded demos.

WORK SUMMARY

Recording Studio Assistant Engineer | AUDIOGROTTO, Newport, Kentucky March 2015 – January 2017
Co-Founder of Production Company | BE SHARP PRODUCTIONS, Cincinnati, OH October 2015 – January 2017
Performing Artist | SOLO, RYAN FINE & THE MEDIA, WEDDING BANDS, Cincinnati, OH August 2012 – Present

WORK EXPERIENCES

Audiogrotto | Newport, KY

Audiogrotto is an audio recording facility built in a turn-of-the-century church designed to meet the needs of a new breed of musician and filmmaker.

Assistant Engineer/Intern

- As an assistant engineer I was responsible for setting up the microphones, setting up anything else needed for a particular recording session, helping with editing the recording sessions, and giving extra input on post-production when needed. Sometimes I arranged horns/strings for clients and performed vocals/keyboard on tracks. I also performed everyday tasks such as getting lunches for the clients, washing dishes, or whatever was needed to keep the facility in order and focused on the jobs at hand.
- Worked with bigger artists such as Walk The Moon, commercial spots for companies nationwide, films, and music for local talent.

Be Sharp Productions | Cincinnati, OH

Be Sharp Productions helps companies and artists realize their full creative potential using expertise in songwriting, production, recording, and video.

Overview: A colleague and I started this company after getting a big work opportunity from a non-profit organization, Clever Crazes for Kids. We also recorded and produced for local talent in the Cincinnati Area.

- Clever Crazes for Kids hired Be Sharp Productions to generate multimedia content for their educational website. The job was to create 10 original songs in different genres with exactly 8 instruments per song to reinforce educational concepts taught throughout the website. Each song needed to have a music video as well. The music had to appeal to both kids and adult audiences. Satisfying all board members, I wrote the music and lyrics, arranged the instruments' parts, and handpicked the musicians for each song. Given a firm \$30,000 budget, Be Sharp Productions successfully generated the content with video. Though the company is now disbanded, my colleague and I will still continue to generate content for Clever Crazes for Kids as independent contractors for their next generation of 10 songs with the same \$30,000 budget.
- Engineered and produced for local Cincinnati artists in our network at the College-Conservatory of Music. Clients paid the company for production of singles, EPs, albums, live show recordings, and recordings of student recitals.

"Alone with Dreamers" | Self-produced Album

I wrote, produced, arranged, engineered, and performed my first full-length album, taking over a year of hard work, patience, and dedication.

- My mission with this album was simply to see if I could do it and achieve the final product I had heard in my head when I sang the songs with only a piano. I took a lot of risks with the record by starting with an instrumental string quartet, including varied genres, and using a lot of ballads. This is not a stab at most popular albums; it is how I feel best represented me as an artist. The album's concept revolves around growing pains, which can be hard to explain without detailed storytelling and a heavy focus on melodies and lyrics. "Alone with Dreamers" showed me how hard, yet rewarding creating music can be. I grew closer to my art.
- The record received high praise from Cincinnati's newspaper *CityBeat*, "Fine's ability to connect with listeners on a deeper level is much more important for his longevity in music than the ability to put together a catchy three-minute Pop song."

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

- **UC German Club:** I served as the treasurer and president of the German Club, which provides an opportunity for non-majors to practice their German conversation skills with other students and learn more about the German culture.
- **Audio Engineering Society:** Nationwide organization devoted to audio technology that holds conventions for product demonstrations and master classes in production and engineering. The club meets weekly to learn about everything audio-related.

VOLUNTEERING AND PERSONAL INTERESTS

- **Songs of Love:** Non-profit organization connecting songwriters to children going through traumatic mental or physical experiences. I write custom songs for individual kids to help them feel loved and more positive under their circumstances.
- **Fitness:** I regularly play basketball and soccer pick-up games, lift weights at the gym, and spend time outside hiking or running.
- I like to relax by spending time with friends and family, watching live music, reading, and drinking coffee at Rohs Café near campus.