

Kaspar Rapkin

Personal Statement -

My name is Kaspar Rapkin. I have recently completed my BA(Hons) Degree at The Institute Of Contemporary Music Performance in London and I am hoping to graduate with good results. Now that I am out of education, I am currently looking for new opportunities

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EXPERIENCE

Access Creative College, Lincoln, English Tutor and Learning Support Assistant

November 2021 - Present

Working for Access Creative College is my first job after graduating from ICMP London. I am a great fit at this role as it is an inclusive learning environment for learners of all walks of life. My role involves helping music, media and games design students get their English GCSE. This is necessary for them to pass the college. A challenge with this role is always making the lessons engaging. This is remedied with my extensive knowledge of the subjects they are at the college to study, and the implementation of those subjects into the English Lessons. In the 6 months I have been at Access Creative College, learners have improved their predicted grades by 38%.

Within my role, I am also on the Learning Support Team. This involves assisting learners with special needs, trauma and/or learners who have a difficult time in the educational environment. This is a very rewarding aspect to my role, and allows me to utilize my expertise in their work.

Empty Events, National - Music promoter and sound engineer

June 2019 - March 2020

This job involves booking bands on a weekly basis and night managing music events at various venues. I must also attend live gigs to see if a band is worthy of booking for our shows as we have a standard to abide by. One of the venues in particular, Ye Olde Fighting Cocks, St Albans, was my responsibility. Everytime an artist arrived (returning or new to the venue) I would feel so proud to have them in such a historic and significant building. That pride only grew when they would start performing.

SKILLS

IT Skills - I am familiar with computers and know how to use one efficiently and have a basic understanding of how they work. This includes excel, word, video editing.

Organization - I am organized and I have a good awareness of how a business should run.

Teamwork - Being a musician, I believe that working in a team is crucial to a show's success. That's why being a team player is one of my strongest characteristics. However, I am equally capable of taking on tasks independently and leading by example.

Logic Pro X - I have been using Logic Pro for nearly 10 years now and I am proficient in recording and mixing on the program. I am therefore familiar with other DAWs and can always find my way around them.

Food Events LTD, North London — *Events Organizer*

February 2016 - June 2018

While working with Food Events LTD, I learned how to put together running orders for weddings, parties, bar mitzvahs and many more types of events. These events could have anywhere from 50-500 people attending. This meant that keeping alignment of a schedule and organization was key to making my work at FoodEvents successful.

Chick-Fil-A and In-N-Out Burger, Global — *Market Research and events organizer*

2016 - 2018

Since I was 12, I would have to assist my father on his research trips across Europe. The mentioned companies would open for 1 day. These would be popup events, Me and my father were responsible for making sure these were able to happen. As of 2016, I was given the opportunity to take on the task and organize these public events on my own. This would involve finding butchers, food suppliers, restaurants, and staff agencies in countries such as France, Germany, Switzerland, Poland, Spain, Belgium, Scotland and Ireland.

Top Grades, St Albans - Music Tutor

September 2019 - November 2021

This job involves tutoring one student who suffers with various disabilities such as Autism, Scoliosis and Fragmented memory. Because of this, I am tutoring him in my own simplified curriculum of a Music BTEC certificate. We are primarily covering music production but I am also tutoring music history, video and photo editing and genre studies.

LANGUAGES

English - first language.

Polish - I know key phrases and am able to give simple instructions.

Top Grades, St Albans – Administrator

April 2021 – June 2021

While tutoring at the Top Grades school in St. Albans, I was invited to assist the management team in their administrator work. This position involved organizing student's assessments, grades, organizing lesson times and liaising with teachers amongst many other tasks that are integral to a school in its exam season.

The Bricket Wood Social Club, Bricket Wood, St Albans – Bartender

September 2018 – March 2020

While working at a village social club, I was able to expand the skill of customer service by meeting members of a club and learning what they drink. While working here, I was very friendly while retaining a professional working relationship with customers. Above that, I had never worked behind a bar before and I learned how to make drinks.

Freelance Musician, Global

2011 – Present

Since learning the guitar, I have been playing music whenever and wherever I can.

This would involve private parties where I would set up discreetly and provide background music as entertainment to guests. I would build layers of tracks to create full and recognisable songs. I have repaired guitars for friends, I would take a small fee for the parts and the time. I teach guitar to multiple students on a weekly basis online. I also busk in my local towns to make a little bit of extra money on the side. I have also traveled twice to New Orleans, Louisiana, to perform, record and network there. As a blues artist, this was the perfect place to be for this work.

KBR GUITARS musical instrument sales, UK

2020 – Present

After accumulating a huge knowledge of musical instruments from Hammond Organs to banjos, I have started a musical instrument online shop.

I take unwanted or damaged instruments and put life back into them. I will then put the instruments for sale on an online shop and offer a 1 to 1 customer service with a potential customer.

REFERENCES

Kaspar has been working for us for several months now and his work rate and attitude has been second to none.

He is punctual, honest and polite. He works hard organizing events as well as having a great approach and attitude towards his front of house work too.

He works well with other members of staff and is someone we trust with any task we give to him.

- Owain Paige, Empty Events, September 2019

EDUCATION

Marlborough Science Academy, St. Albans — GCSE

September 2011 - July 2017

English C

Math C

Media Studies C

Music B

The Institute Of Contemporary Performance , Kilburn — *RSL Level 3 Diploma for Music Practitioners (Performance)*

September 2016 - July 2018

Final grade - Merit

The Institute Of Contemporary Performance , Kilburn — *Bachelors Degree in Creative musicianship*

September 2018 - July 2021

Final grade - First Class

PROJECTS

Funkin' For Fundin' — Charity event

In christmas 2017, me and some friends put together a charity event to raise money for a charity that was going to close down due to a lack of funds.

We launched a night of music, food and drink. All proceeds went to the charity A1 Parrot rescue.

Fundraising Charity Album for Cancer research

In June 2019, I was approached by a 3 time cancer survivor to create a charity CD consisting of 13 songs all written by him but performed by different artists including special guest Mo'Nique (Michael Jackson, Stevie Wonder, Earth Wind and Fire and many more).

Kaspar 'Berry' Rapkin — *Musical artist*

Since recording in February 2018, I have put my music on music streaming sites such as Spotify, Apple music, and many more. As an artist, I need to keep creating content for my YouTube channel and my repertoire of original songs.

Vipera – Country, Americana and Roots band

Vipera is an eclectic sounding band that I have been involved with since April 2020. This band has a number of demos that are all home recorded to a fantastic standard.

Electric Umbrella, music charity

2017 - present

Electric Umbrella is a musical performance charity which aims to help people with many kinds of learning disabilities become performers, musicians and allows them to have fun and have purpose. I have been volunteering with this charity on and off for 4 years now as a guitarist, roadie and whatever the charity has needed on the day.