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PROFILE

I am a twenty year old musician and music student in Wellington, NZ. I have always been in love with the creative arts, and I am actively involved in music within my community. While music is my primary focus, I also have experience with things such as painting, photography, theatre and dance.

EXPERIENCE

Band Mentoring - Nelson Preparatory School; Nelson 2017

As a volunteer, I worked as a mentor to a band of intermediate students wanting to compete in Bandquest. In my free time, I helped each student to improve and develop their skills on their chosen instruments as well as teaching them how to work together as a band. It was an amazing opportunity for me, and I enjoyed getting to nurture their natural talents.

MC/Door Sales/Band check-in/Guest Performer - Smokefree Rockquest; New Zealand 2017-Current

I have been working for Rockquest for quite a few years. Unofficially, I have been selling tickets and checking bands in since I was about twelve. I started officially working for the company in 2017. I have traveled to places such as the West Coast, Lower Hutt, Nelson, Whanganui, Masterton, Palmeston North, and other regions for Rockquest.

MC/Judge/Guest Performer/Door Sales - Smokefree Bandquest; New Zealand 2017-Current

Bandquest is run by the same company as Rockquest. I have been working for this event for almost as long as Rockquest. As this event is for students up to and including year eight, part of the job as MC is to also manage all participants both backstage and side of stage.

MC/Performer - Tahunanui Summer Sounds; Nelson 2018-2020

Summer Sounds is a small beach festival that happens in Nelson every January. As part of a band called Ivasa, I have performed on the electronic stage three years in a row. The last time I was also asked to be the MC at the same stage.

A Dip In The Water - No Future Festival; Wellington 2019

As a part of a festival called 'No Future', a selection of different groups put on gigs around the city that all centred around the theme of climate change and the rising ocean. My group created 'A Dip In The Water', an immersive musical experience where the audience was separated from the performers by a large mosquito net that displayed different projected simulations of water. As well as creating the event, I also performed, photographed/filmed the event, and created an "after movie" of the event.

Intern, Newtown Festival; Wellington 2020

As part of my music degree, I was one of three people offered a position to intern for the festival. The internship was a great opportunity to understand all the behind the scenes work that goes into putting on such a successful festival. My jobs included updating the festival website, creating a child friendly programme, and taking photos and footage of the festival on the day. I also attended a workshop called "It's Our Business", where we went over how to provide a safe and supportive environment for staff, patrons, and volunteers at large scale events.

EDUCATION

Massey University, Wellington, New Zealand — Bachelor of Commercial Music
2018-2020

SKILLS

- Managing events
- Organising audio equipment
- Setting up events/ stages
- Concept development
- Photography
- Art and Design
- Mail/post outs
- Delivering sponsor messages
- Master of Ceremony (MC)