

Ross Powell

BACKGROUND

Ross started out as a professional musician while still in high school. He released his first album of original music in 2017. Since 1986, Ross has been involved in TV, Special Events, and Concert production; technical direction, production management, stage management, show creation, research, and programming.

EXPERIENCE

Ross has worked freelance through Arcadian Productions Inc. (co-owner/operator) since 1988

Technical Direction/Production Management/Stage Management

- Preparing and running budgets for all aspects of Special Event production including performer fees, travel, accommodation, and backline. Staging, equipment rentals and deployment. Venue sourcing, rental, and management.
- Sourcing technical info from performers.
- Determining overall technical needs, booking and scheduling suppliers.
- Scheduling crew, suppliers, transport, technical, backline, and props for load-in, set-up and strike.
- Familiar with scheduling and contracting requirements of IATSE personnel.
- Running stage production or parade groups.
- Calling shows (lighting, spots, effects, etc.) including calling from musical scores.
- Experienced at plotting symphony orchestra stage set-ups from instrumentation.

Programming

- Booking and scheduling of international and local talent.
- Negotiating and writing contracts.
- Obtaining Tech information and arranging the fulfillment of those riders.
- Arranging travel, accommodations, hospitality.
- Obtaining contacts, bios, pictures, links, and relaying to Publicist.

Tour Management

- Sourced, booked, and maintained communications with special events for a fourmonth national tour of Canada with three troupes totaling 125 individuals (Experience Canada).
- Maintained files and data-base of events and bookings.
- Created, updated, and distributed calendars and daily itineraries.
- Reviewed and approved Letters of Agreement between production and events.

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Writing / Publishing

Self-published Where to Walk Your Dog in Greater Vancouver (over 10,000 copies sold).

- Researched source material on trails and parks, by-law information, wildlife information, dog etiquette, and surveyed each walk first-hand.
- Researched and wrote entries for each walk and first chapters of general information.
- Shot photographs for each municipality.
- Designed lay-up for inside text (with design consultant).
- Designed and executed graphics for maps of parks.
- Layed up book for printing.
- Promoted book on TV, radio, and book signings.

For Television:

Conceived (Story By credit) and co-produced CBC holiday one hour special; *The Swinging Nutcracker*.

Game Shows

- Conception, writing, research preparation (verifications of facts and spelling), organization and data-basing of puzzles.
- Writing of "stings" (humorous three-line openers).
- Judging of play on tape days.
- Distribution and security of puzzles.

For Stage:

• Conceived, scripted, and produced four shows designed for symphony orchestra's Children's Concerts. Arcadian Productions marketed these in North America.

Music

- Performed since school days as a single act (guitar, vocals) as well as in cover bands. Produced and starred in Joni Mitchell tribute for the Sechelt Arts Festival (2013).
- Produced and recorded original album released in 2017 as The Burning World. (www.theburningworld.com)

Graphic Arts

- Has produced over 50 collages, by hand and in Photoshop.
- Sculpture in clay and carving in wood and plastics.
- Casting in concrete, plaster, and pewter.
- Flash animation.
- Amateur photography since high school.

Computer Skills

Database/Scheduling Word/Document Processing Graphics/Design Budgets/Spreadsheets Page Lay-up Music Production Web Design FileMaker Pro MS Word, Pages Photoshop, Illustrator Excel, Numbers InDesign Logic Pro X DreamWeaver

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WORK CREDITS (highlights - by year)

Sechelt Arts Festival (2017 – present) Co-Producer (Admin/Programming/Technical Direction) Sechelt Summer Music Series (2016 - present) Programmer/Producer Vancouver Metropolitan Orchestra at Jack Poole Plaza (2016 – present) **Production Manager** Vancouver Symphony Summer Series (1996 – present) **Production Manager** Rogers Santa Claus Parade (2005 – 2017) **Production Manager** Vancouver Canada Day Parade (2009 – 2015) Production Manager Sechelt Arts Festival (2011 – 2016) Production Stage Manager **Edmonton Symphony Summer Concerts** (2014) **Production Manager** CelticFest Vancouver (2011 - 2014) Director of Programming CelticFest Vancouver (2009 - 2014) **Production Manager Covering Joni Album by Album** – tribute concert (2013) Producer/Performer MusicFest Vancouver (formerly Festival Vancouver) (2000-2012) Technical Director Vancouver International Harp Congress (2011) **Production Manager** Aboriginal Pavilion (2010 Olympics) Production Manager **Robson Square Installation** (2010 Olympics) Safety Plan Design **World Junior Hockey Championship FanFest** (2006) Site Manager **Arcadian Symphonic Kids Concerts** (2002-2006) Writer/Producer The Swinging Nutcracker – a CBC special (2001) Story By/Co-producer Proposal Document Lay-ups **BC Event Management** (proposals & event research - 1999) **Vetta Chamber Music** (1998) Stage Manager Music in the Morning (1997-1999) Stage Manager Vancouver New Music Society (1998-1999) Stage Manager Little Chamber Music Series That Could - White Album Concert (1998) Stage Manager Author/Publisher Where to Walk Your Dog in Greater Vancouver (1998) Vancouver Symphony Orchestra (1993-1997) Resident Stage Manager Pacific National Exhibition (1994-1997) Stage Manager Bard on the Beach with the VSO (1994-1996) Stage Manager **Dragon Boat Festival** (1995-1996) Stage Manager Stage Manager **Taste of Nations** – wine tasting festival (1995) Acting Crazy – TV game show (1991 & 1994) Researcher World Choral Symposium (1993) Stage Manager Canada Day at Canada Place (1993) **Assistant Production Manager** Variety Club Telethon (1990-1993) Stage Manager/Production Secretary Experience Canada National Tour (1992) Tour Manager **The Next Line** – TV game show (1991) **Production Assistant** Special Events Trade Show (1990) Stage Manager Vancouver Molson's INDY (1990) Stage Manager Grey Cup Half Time (1990) Production Secretary/Stage Manager **TalkAbout** – TV game show (1988 & 1989) Researcher/Writer

Actsafe Performing Arts Supervisor Course – Jan., 2012 **References available on request**

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