

Course Content - Careers in Music Part 2

Mastering Engineer and Fun Fact

- An audio mastering engineer adjusts and finishes musical recordings so that they sound great on any platform—iTunes, records, CDs, or tapes.
- Amy Dragon became a mastering engineer by first becoming an established engineer's apprentice.
- Another way to become a mastering engineer is to study music in school.
- Records were once the only way to buy music. When CDs and iPods came along, records became less popular. Right now, though, records are becoming popular again!
- "Vinyl" is a nickname for records because that is the material they are made from.

Lighting Designer and Arranger

- Billy Clare is a lighting designer.
- A lighting designer works with bands to create the look and movement of the lights during a concert.
- The lights are hung from the ceiling on big rigging scaffolds.
- The movement and changes of the lights during the concert are controlled by a computer.
- An arranger uses the music written by a composer and expands it to fit it into a movie or a play's score.
- The arranger that we met, Dave Metzger, has arranged the music for some very famous movies: Tarzan, How to Train Your Dragon, Kung Foo Panda, Frozen, Moana, and many more!
- Dave Metzger started arranging when his middle school teacher introduced him to it.

Music in Life Lesson:

The Music in Life lesson is a moment to engage in active listening. The Music in Life lesson song for this course is "How Far I'll Go" by Auli'i Cravalho. Students are invited to think about how the music makes them feel, think, and move. Music is an individual experience; active listening encourages students to choose their own musical path.

Concert Promoter, Music Therapist, and Fun Fact

- A concert promoter oversees organizing concerts. Organizing includes: what bands will play, where the band plays, how much the show tickets cost, how people find out about the concert, the order of the bands, and more!
- Two of the main components of organizing a concert are "booking" the band and the venue. Booking is selecting the band that will play a concert and signing an agreement with them. The venue is where the concert will take place.
- A music therapist uses music to help make people feel better emotionally and physically.
- Caitlin Broderick works with young patients in a children's hospital. She plays music with them to help them have a better experience in the hospital.
- Music releases a chemical in your brain called Dopamine. This chemical makes you feel good.
- Music is one of the only activities that uses both sides of your brain at the same time.

Music Producer

- A music producer helps musicians record their music in a recording studio.
- Music producers use their knowledge about music, technology, and working with people to help the artists realize their vision.
- Music producers must know about audio production and how to use the technology used to record music.
- Kevin Hahn started out learning on a "Four Track". A Four Track is a music recording machine.