Music

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Name of Speaker: Sean Cotterill

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Background:

I am a musician, digital artist and live coder living and working in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, UK. I am currently working as a PhD candidate at Newcastle University, working on developing Free and Open Source artistic practices, as well as working as a freelance artist.

The Business/Company: I am a freelance artist and PhD student.

I am working on a PhD funded by the Northern Bridge Doctoral Training Partnership. My PhD is based on my work as an artist and musician and focused on a particular aspect of my artistic practice, namely using free and open source methods for creating art.

I have also been working as a freelance artist for the past 4-5 years. I have worked with multiple organisations and collaborators, delivering teaching, making installations, creating performances and artworks and other things. I have exhibited and performed internationally, including across the UK, Hong Kong, Canada, Mexico, South Africa and Germany.

Sean's presentation will concentrate on:

- In terms of building my business, I'll be talking about my history: Grew up in Gateshead, got into electronic music when I was young, went to university wanting to be a violinist and ended up making electronic music, now I am doing a PhD as well as working as a freelance musician & artist

- I can't speak for the software development market but in terms of digital arts I can talk about some useful skills you might want to know for considering being a freelance artist, especially in terms of skills. How programming intersects with arts and where you can go to learn artistic programming (outside of university).

- I'll do a demonstration of live coding music, probably ~10 mins

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