

## Canadian Indie Spotlight: Ben Sigston

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### *Feed Your Ears Homegrown Music*

**Artist:** Ben Sigston

**Where from:** Born and raised in North Vancouver

**Sounds like:** Alt-pop rock drenched with strong elements of acoustic guitar, piano and buttery smooth vocals. Imagine if David Gray and Damien Rice had a love child (physically impossible I know...but you get the picture).

**Why worth checking out:** Sigston actually started out as an athlete, not a musician. He was a Canadian National team cyclist who ultimately had a life epiphany, sold his bike, and bought a guitar. The bold move wasn't too much of a stretch however, since Sigston was brought up in a home saturated with music. Growing up he started playing piano at the age of five and later went on to learn drums. Sigston's music is lyrically dense and emotionally rich. His music unfolds as a picture book to his life experiences and manages to draw the listener into his thoughts, fears, loves, and bygones. His first EP *Free Now* was released this summer with standouts including the catchy harder edged, "Cold Killer" and the softer "Quiet Conversation," with its romantically entangled acoustic guitar riffs and melodic vocals. You can check out Ben Sigston at The Cellar with Wassabi Collective, Kuba Oms, and Alexandria Maillot on November 5th.

Check him out on [myspace](#).