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## Ben Sigston

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Name: Ben Sigston

Album: EP, Free Now

What: Sigston's one of those acoustic guitar-toting hunks who can belt out a song, like the expansive ditty, Free Now, that is moving but not mushy. His tunes have been features on TV shows too, including Word Travels on National Geographic.

From: Vancouver

It is the rare artist who can capture an audience's attention with only a piano or acoustic guitar. Ben Sigston crafts melodic gems that work as well stripped down as they do produced with a full band.

From a young age Ben's imagination was captured by some of the great singer/songwriters of the late 60's and early 70's, with The Beatles and Bob Dylan being of particular influence

Sigston spent his late teenage years and early twenties developing his songwriting skills and performing. His early works, filled with bright, tasteful piano playing, weeping Beatle-esque guitar lines and instantly memorable vocal melodies, found instant success with numerous placements in both TV and film. Highlights included 2006's internationally award-winning TV series Make Some Noise and the adventure show Word Travels, currently airing in Canada on The Outdoor Life Network and internationally on the National Geographic Channel. In addition, the use of five of Ben's original compositions in the critically acclaimed 2008 indie movie Mulligan's cast a bright light on the songwriter's considerable talents.

A 2007 development deal with Warner Music put Sigston into contact with producer Warne Livesey (Midnight

Oil, Matthew Good). The two discovered that they shared a common musical vision and enjoyed collaborating, and so decided to work together to record Ben's first EP "Free Now".

"Free Now" confidently explores the tension between spiritualism and physicality; reflection and action. The record juxtaposes spare yet emotive songs filled with honest, personal reflection, epitomized by Quiet Conversation, with forceful, dynamic, beat-driven pop, evident in Days Go By. It is Sigston's unique ability to marry the abstract with the well-crafted pop song that makes him such a unique addition to the current crop of singer/songwriters.

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