

JONATHAN CRONE

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The Multifaceted Producer/Engineer/Musician Jonathan Crone

By Keith Thomas

Quiet, respectful, suspiciously gifted and highly intelligent are a few words to describe 27 year old Jonathan Crone. At Levosia Entertainment, we refer to him as our resident genius, who carries somewhat of a superhero status. There are no hidden phone booths or caves from which he emerges, but the transformation from the intellectual Berklee graduate to rock guitarist is entertaining in itself. His technological proclivities also keep him on the cutting-edge of an ever changing music industry.

Born in State College, Pennsylvania to Michael and Barbara Crone, this child prodigy

began taking guitar lessons at the age of 12. At age 13 he received his first midi keyboard and sequencing software, which yielded opportunities to write theme music for local TV stations at the tender age of 15! Presently, this extended to include PBS.

In 1999, Jonathan was chosen out of 70 thousand participants as the first ever guitarist to win 1st Place in the String Solo category at the AG National Fine Arts Festival... Show off!

At age 17, boy wonder received a scholarship to attend Berklee College of Music in Boston, MA, and won the Floyd Rose Jazz Scholarship,

which is offered to one candidate annually by the Erie Jazz Society.

Jonathan attended Berklee College of Music 2001-2004 with a major in Music Production & Engineering and graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor's in Music. Other highlights include winning the Berklee Achievement Scholarship for ongoing academic excellence and being awarded the opportunity to perform in the Berklee Songwriter Showcase in 2003 & 2004.

After graduation Jonathan moved to Nashville, TN to pursue his career in the music business and immediately began working

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with industry professionals such as Jeff Balding, Brent King, Ronnie Brookshire and Mark Townsend among others. By 2006 Jonathan was first engineering, mixing and playing guitar on projects for Dark Horse Studios in Franklin, TN.

In 2006 Jonathan took a position with Levosia Entertainment as Keith Thomas' technical assistant, which is where he is still currently employed. However, limiting his job position to "technical assistant" would be a gross understatement. Jonathan now plays an integral role in the day to day operations as producer, engineer, musician and songwriter at Levosia and is currently writing and producing songs for Levosia's latest signing, 14 year old Celica Westbrook. Levosia recently signed a joint venture with Ne-Yo to launch Celica's music career, in which Jonathan will play a key role. He has also engineered and produced tracks for Radio Disney teen star, Savannah Outen, and in 2010, Jonathan won his first Grammy for his engineering contributions on Heather Headley's EMI Gospel project, Audience Of One. Jonathan is also credited as a songwriter and musician on that CD as well. Other projects include, Jordan Pruitt, Bebe & Cece Winans, Vanessa Williams, Rissi Palmer, Will Champlin, Lori Michaels, Robin Crow, Waterside, Tim Veazey, Adam Nitti, Relient K, Naomi Judd, Kirk Whalum, The Elms, John Nicholson, First Call, Cheyenne Kimball and Michael Bolton.

It does not take a genius to recognize one and when it comes to talent and one's ability to survive an ailing music business, Jonathan Crone is so far above the rest that he will emerge as one of the most successful Producer/Engineers our industry has ever known. His instincts are impeccable and his work ethic will make him an easy first choice. He is also one of the finest musicians I have ever had the pleasure of recording! Write his name down and watch the charts. You will be hearing this name in the coming months and years as he continues to grow into the superstar he is destined to become.

Jonathan resides in Franklin, TN with his wife, Katelyn and their daughter, Mikaelyn. For more information regarding Jonathan Crone, visit: jonathancrone.com • twitter.com/j_crone

