



Max Mueller

Max Mueller is a composer, cellist, and pianist originally from Cleveland, Ohio. Max moved to Los Angeles in 2007 where he completed his undergraduate studies at California State University, Northridge, focusing on film scoring. During his tenure in Los Angeles, Max has assisted Academy Award nominated composer David Newman since 2009, editing older movie scores for live performance purposes. Max has helped reconstruct scores for such films as *Out of Africa*, *How the West Was Won*, *Batman*, and *Edward Scissorhands*.

In 2011, Max designed a composition workshop for Los Angeles schools entitled *Books In Concert*, where high school students work with college composer mentors to compose short pieces based on excerpts from popular books for young adults. The culmination is a live performance of everyone's piece with a narrator reading the excerpts before the respective piece.

While pursuing a career as a film composer himself, Max utilizes existing film music in many of his music education projects. He believes the cultural ubiquity of film music is the perfect stepping stone for young people to appreciate stand alone Classical music and instrumental music in general.