



Benjamin Coy

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Acoustic music from somewhere in between Pennsylvania and western NY state

### Live:

Usually one voice, one guitar, and perhaps a harmonica now and again. A blend of folk music pulling from the traditional to the modern, as well as an intermingling of other influences of jazz and Americana.

### Locations:

Ben grew up around the Schwenksville area of southeastern, PA and attended college for four years up in the hills of the Alleghenies in western NY. Aside from a list of dates from his college days, Ben has played in various locations around the Montgomery county area, including a recent show with Claire Holley at Borders Books and Music in Wynnewood, PA.

### The EP disc:

The EP recording was created at Mammoth Studios ([www.mammothstudios.org](http://www.mammothstudios.org)), near Rochester, NY with Jesse Sprinkle at the helm. Ben recorded this with Oliver Gingrich on guitars and harmonies. It's a fairly simple recording, mostly with acoustics, plus bass by Wil Couch, and the percussion of Jesse Sprinkle.

### Other Sitings:

While his roster of interesting occurrences isn't too lengthy, Ben has opened up for Claire Holley (<http://www.claireholley.com>) and the 2 guitar/2 voice band "A Dog Named David".

In February of 2001, Ben traveled to Durham, NC to record with Claire Holley in John Plymale's (producer of Squirrel Nut Zippers fame) studio. The album is Claire Holley's self titled CD which was released in late August 2001 on the Yep Roc label.

### Final Thoughts:

Lyrical and musically, Ben tends to gain influence from artists such as David Wilcox and Bruce Cockburn as well as from the poet W.S. Merwin. It's simple music and simple words, trying to pull from the experiences of life as humans, taking both the good and the bad and holding it up to the light for what it's worth. Hope you enjoy!

Benjamin Coy plays exclusively on John Pearse® strings.

## **August-September 2002 Dates**

**August 17** Perks Coffee \* Trappe, PA \* 7-10pm

**August 30** Borders Books and Music \* Chestnut Hill, PA \* 8:00-10:00pm

**September 6** - Borders Books and Music \* Bryn Mawr, PA \* 8:00-10:00pm

**September 13** - Borders Books and Music \* Wynnewood, PA \* 8:00-10:00pm

**September 21** Central Schwenkfelder Church Country Fair \* Worcester, PA\*  
12:30-1:00pm

*currently booking for the fall and winter months*

## **Booking and Contact info:**

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