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Michael Erlewine: When and how did you get interested in art?

Finch: My interest in art started with an interest in comic books as a child. I started out by trying to redraw the illustrations by my favorite comic artists. My interest in posters began when I did a research paper on Art Chantry, when I was a senior in college.

Michael Erlewine: What kind of art influenced you?

Finch: Comic art is a big influence, but I'd like to think that I'm inspired by anything and everything that I've ever come into contact with.

Michael Erlewine: What concert-posters artists influenced you?

Finch: Art Chantry was the one who spurred my interest in the sub-genre, but as far as influencing my style goes, right now I'm kind of all over the map. One day I'll feel like doing something that feels like Frank Kozik did it; the next day I'll be working on something that would more properly be done using a style similar to something Factor 27 or Aesthetic Apparatus would do.

Michael Erlewine: What was your first concert-music poster?

Finch: My first concert-music poster was for a show on October 18, 2002 at a club called 12th & Porter in Nashville, Tennessee. The poster was for Bob Mould.

Michael Erlewine: What are the main venues you have done posters for?

Finch: Rhythm & Brews - Chattanooga, Tennessee, Pilot Light - Knoxville, Tennessee, The Earl - Atlanta, Georgia

Michael Erlewine: What are the main bands you have done posters for?

Finch: Drums & Tuba, High on Fire.

Michael Erlewine: Please describe the media and size/formats you have most used?

Finch: My posters are more often than not 11x17" color laserprints.

Michael Erlewine: What other poster artists have you collaborated with?

Finch: I'm currently working on a collaboration with Jeff Gaither.

Michael Erlewine: Who are your favorite current poster artists?

Finch: Jermaine Rogers, Scrojo, Art Chantry, Frank Kozik, Uncle Charlie, Justin Hampton, Emek, Factor 27, Aesthetic Apparatusv ...the list goes on and on.

Michael Erlewine: What are your favorite bands?

Finch: Man or AstroMan?, The Breeders, White Stripes, Johnny Cash, David Bowie, Nine Inch Nails, Foo Fighters, Rollins Band.