

Subject: Character & Professional Reference for Eric Laudrum

To Whom It May Concern,

It is a pleasure to provide this professional reference for Eric Laudrum. As the co-host of Stardrop Tea, a podcast dedicated to the cult-hit indie game Stardew Valley, I had the opportunity to commission Eric for the foundational soundscape of our show. His contributions were instrumental in our rapid ascent within the podcasting landscape.

Eric was given the creative challenge of composing original tracks that captured the specific "low-fi" essence of the Stardew Valley in-game soundtrack while maintaining a unique identity for our brand. He delivered a comprehensive suite of music, including our theme song, segment transitions, and outro, that achieved a remarkable level of polish.

The quality of his work was a significant factor in our debut season's success. Stardrop Tea was awarded the Spotify 2025 Instant Hit Show designation, ranking in the top 3% of all new global launches that year.

Beyond his musical talent, Eric is an exemplary professional. Throughout our collaboration, he remained:

Thematically Precise: He translated complex atmospheric requirements into beautiful, accurate compositions.

Reliable: Every deliverable was provided on time and strictly within the established budget.

Collaborative: He is a pleasure to work with, maintaining clear communication and a dedicated focus on the project's goals.

As we move into the second year of our podcast with a listenership spanning over 45 countries and expanding into merchandise and interviews, Eric's work continues to serve as the auditory backbone of our brand. His technical excellence provided the professional edge necessary to scale from a debut indie project to a globally recognized show.

I recommend Eric Laudrum without reservation for any creative or technical musical endeavor. He is a rare talent who balances artistic intuition with professional discipline. I look forward to working with him again on future projects.

Please feel free to contact me if you require any further information.

Best regards,

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