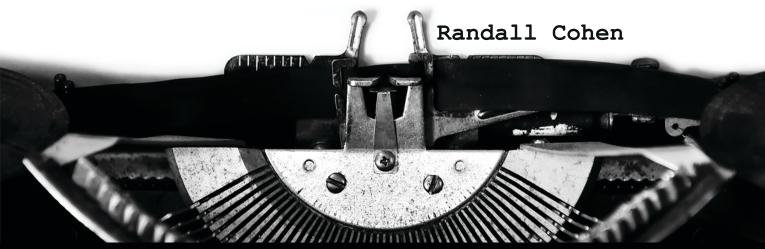
At age 15, I took a year of guitar lessons and then taught myself to play the piano. Within a year, I had a catalog of original songs. I knew back then that my passion was for songwriting.

I was the founding member of three originals bands in high school & college and one of my original songs, "Don't Say Goodbye," won 2nd place in the Billboard Songwriting Contest.

After college, my originals band was in serious talks with the EVP of Atlantic Records, Tunc Erim. Though that deal never materialized, it was the right fuel to keep me super motivated!

I subsequently learned that there is actually a "craft" to songwriting, so I began to really listen to and study as much hit music as possible. I also learned to "listen" to and to actually appreciate song critiques! These two elements have been instrumental (pun intended) in my songwriting development.

I love the craft more than ever and plan to continue to write, co-write, record and share my passion with others.



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