



Songwriter/ topliner

A top liner is a unique hybrid of singer and songwriter. Top-line songwriters work in popular music genres and create vocal melodies, harmonies and lyrics to accompany a producers' "beats" [digitally constructed instrumental tracks].

Skills:

- Performance
- Vocal production
- Problem solving
- Team work
- Leadership

Areas of work:

- Studio
- Songwriting camps
- Commercial music
- Albums
- Radio & TV Jingles
- Games
- For a band

Income

It's hard to quantify an income for a songwriter or top liner as they are paid based on the artist and the job. There are 3 options for this job;
[a] Royalty split [no advance]: artists and songwriters who know that the song will generate revenue
[b] Royalty split with advance payment upfront for artists and songwriters
[c] no royalties and upfront payment for artists and songwriters with copyright buyout.