
my birthday present

Posted by chiasticon - 2006/05/02 00:47

big 2-7 today...it's the beginning of the end, i'm sure. oh wait, i said that last year. oh wait, the past year sucked.

oh well, here's to better times ahead! i spoiled myself by nabbing (well, getting on the waiting list for) one of these today

SO stoked!

now then, i've got other pressing matters to attend to (:pint:)

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Re: my birthday present

Posted by jsrockit - 2006/05/02 00:59

Very cool... but too complicated to program for someone like me... love it though. Oh yeah...happy birthday/

Edit: Man, I may pick one of these up... it just looks too fun to not have.

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Re: my birthday present

Posted by actual - 2006/05/02 04:41

NICE! Happy Birfday Joe...or is it captain old balls now? :-D

seriously congrats, have fun, and i look forward to update asap. i wondered if you or i would get this first.

peace
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Re: my birthday present

Posted by papertiger - 2006/05/02 06:19

happy birthday joey joe joe jameson!

hope the monome is fun -- the buttons look like yummy gumdrops!

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Re: my birthday present

Posted by divi - 2006/05/02 09:45

happy birthday dude!

btw, do you have experience in programming max/msp or similar?

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Re: my birthday present

Posted by Jyoti - 2006/05/02 15:44

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Re: my birthday present

Posted by divi - 2006/05/02 18:25

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hey you fossil!

back to your museum!

Re: my birthday present

Posted by chiasticon - 2006/05/02 18:59

thanks for the bday wishes everyone. was a fun night, to be sure.

no, i have no experience programming max/msp. well, i worked through the tutorials, but then decided it wasn't for me at the time. maybe i'll come back around to it. i plan on using the max/msp apps that peeps made for the monome (and more will come, i'm sure). i hope to have fun with that and record the output, then work with that. i also wanna use the monome just as a matrix to fire clips from Live. both methods should prove quite useful, i'm sure.

Re: my birthday present

Posted by glaive - 2006/05/02 19:13

With your programming background, I think you'd rock MAX/MSP, but you'd need to go into it knowing you wouldn't be immediately productive. You could, however, build a composition and performance environment that was perfectly tailored to your musical vision and work methods.

Re: my birthday present

Posted by chiasticon - 2006/05/02 20:36

i agree, scott. i liked max/msp when i was using it. it seemed fun to me and still does right now. when i tried it, i wasn't using a computer at all for music (and had just gotten my first mac) but wanted to. and it just wasn't the way i wanted to

work. plus i hadn't yet discovered the beauty that is Live.

i hate to put a bunch of time preparing to have something useful instead of just writing. but i've been in a major musical slump the past six months so maybe it's time to give it another shot. we'll see what happens...

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Re: my birthday present

Posted by glaive - 2006/05/02 22:15

You could rock it in a few months if you got super obsessive about it :-o

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Re: my birthday present

Posted by chiasticon - 2006/05/03 00:06

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Re: my birthday present

Posted by actuel - 2006/05/03 00:12

uhh....do you guys need a room? then you guys could rock each other all night long without us having to hear about it :lol:

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Re: my birthday present

Posted by chiasticon - 2006/05/03 00:14

ummm...it was non-sexual.

perv.

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Re: my birthday present

Posted by actuel - 2006/05/03 00:16

perv part is true

rock on fellas

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Re: my birthday present

Posted by jsrockit - 2006/05/03 02:06

chiasticon wrote:

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Yeah...I think I caught the bug as well. I will use Step and mlr for now and learn from there.

If I understand correctly... you don't need to own Max/MSP...you just need the Max/msp runtime (which is free) right?

Are you using it with a Mac?

Basically, you just need to buy the monome, use these free apps and you're set right?

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Re: my birthday present

Posted by chiasticon - 2006/05/03 04:25

yeah, the max/msp runtime is free and will allow you to run the mlr and step apps (as well as other patches which i'm sure will creep up). and yes, for now the monome is all you need. you can get up and running using mlr and step. but mapd will be out soon, which will map the monome buttons to midi notes/cc's so you can use it with live or logic or whatever. that should be out in a couple weeks. which, if you place an order now, you prolly won't get it for at least a couple weeks anyway. oh, and yes i'm on mac. i don't think any of their stuff fully works for pc's yet (including the max/msp patches, pc users are having problems with them currently).

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Posted by jsrocket - 2006/05/03 04:27

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Thanks buddy. I think I will try it... the worst that can happen is that I hate it... they run out of the first run...and I sell it to someone who wants one badly. Are they based in the US? How much was shipping and what shipping service did they use?

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Re: my birthday present

Posted by chiasticon - 2006/05/03 05:50

shipping should be cheap. it's light, i think. read the details on their site on manufacturing and philosophy, etc. the reason why it's expensive is that they're very enviro friendly in every facet of the design. they even bike to the ups drop off point! i think they're a great community and doing an awesome thing. they're gonna make their software open source. they're even gonna put the hardware details out there for people to see so they can modify theirs if they want to (they *encourage* you to modify it as well as their software). and yes, they're us-based.

i read on their site today that the 16x16 monome will begin development soon (but is several months away from production) and that they're shooting for it to be sub-\$1000. which is nice, considering it's four times the number of parts as the 40h monome which costs \$500. their comment was: "we're not in this just to make money. if we were, we'd be making cell phones or something."

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Re: my birthday present

Posted by jsrocket - 2006/05/03 13:40

Cool. I'm excited about it...

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Re: my birthday present

Posted by divi - 2006/05/03 14:20

as host software, max/msp is not a necessity. anything programming framework that does midi and OSC (open sound control) will do. the latter is a UDP network communication protocol intended for musical use but very suited for other applications as well. we use it a lot in my university research group.

i'm quite fond of max/msp myself. use it a lot at work. and with my knowledge of 'classic' synth technology i find it quite easy to program cool audio mangling stuff in max/msp. actually i'm preparing my first 'auditive' installation using max/msp as we speak. more info soon!

Re: my birthday present

Posted by jsrockit - 2006/05/04 01:28

Have you been asked to send payment yet?

Re: my birthday present

Posted by jsrockit - 2006/05/08 04:16

Chasticon...you get yours yet?

Re: my birthday present

Posted by actuel - 2006/05/08 06:34

jsrockit wrote:

Chasticon...you get yours yet?

...not yet. he said about 2 weeks or so. but yes, its ordered and he's stoked. :)

i'm handling all his press :-D

Re: my birthday present

Posted by chiasticon - 2006/05/08 06:42

thanks ryan. :-)

yeah, i haven't been asked for payment yet. as ryan said, it'll be a couple weeks. they're shipping as fast as they can build tho. i really hope i get mine soon. i've been talking with a couple of the developers and i'm gonna try and port serialio to xp for them but it's really hard to do that without a 40h in my hands! ;-)

anyway, you'll definitely hear something from me (bragging!) when i have this beauty in my hands.

Re: my birthday present

Posted by jsrockit - 2006/05/08 20:48

Cool...I ordered after you...so if you can update this when they ask you for payment...it would be appreciated. :-D

Re: my birthday present

Posted by jsrocket - 2006/05/09 14:36

I just found out they are still within the first 15 minutes of orders placed on May 1st.

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Re: my birthday present

Posted by - 2006/05/09 17:44

what do you mean ?

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Re: my birthday present

Posted by jsrocket - 2006/05/09 21:32

They are still filling the orders that were placed 15 minutes after they announced they were accepting orders. Apparently, there is a log jam in the first half hour or so...then the orders became less frequent.

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