
Which daw or soft are you using?

Posted by Shogun5000 - 2013/05/22 22:14

Yo, since I play/jam/learn with my elektron I don't use my computer and i'm just curious and interested about hard and soft combination. I want to use my monomachine to sequence and control some daw, vst, etc. tell me your stories! B)

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Re:Which daw or soft are you using?

Posted by Tarekith - 2013/05/22 22:48

Ableton Live 9 and Studio One 2.5 for most things here.

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Re:Which daw or soft are you using?

Posted by husc - 2013/05/22 22:58

Digital Performer and Ableton Live (Logic Pro, max/msp and Audacity get used as daw for specific tasks and projects)..

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Re:Which daw or soft are you using?

Posted by djadonis206 - 2013/05/23 00:54

Ableton Live 9

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Re:Which daw or soft are you using?

Posted by the dreammer - 2013/05/23 01:29

My elektrons (monomachine, octatrack and machinedrum) are all connected to my vs2400 recorder. So I can do all kinds of weird multittracking tricks.
after that,

I import my recorded tracks and stuffies via a cd into renoise.
which is just the bomb in my book :) it almost does 99.8% of the things I want my computer to do as a music-tool.. basicly needs better time-stretch/retune tool for complete loops.
no need to cry though.. that's why I got an octatrack :)

Not a big fan of connecting computers up to hardware sequencers.. sure I made it work in the past.. but.. wasn't exactly a nice workflow for me at the time.. maybe I should have tried one of those specific vst-host programs.. (that's the vst-part of a daw without a daw)
kinda turn my computer into a giant synth instead of.. but. like I said never tried that.

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Re:Which daw or soft are you using?

Posted by Glitchedout - 2013/05/23 01:56

Live 9 sound forge pro Mac sound forge PC renoise if I have a minutewhich I never do :D

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Re:Which daw or soft are you using?

Posted by N_Rain - 2013/05/23 04:06

Sensomusic Usine (latest version "Hollyhock" just introduced)

Amazing tool for, as per my methods, a modular environment based integration of hardware and software. Great for tying everything together, for example with Usine as the brain and visual reference I have mutes and scene select per pattern for my OT's, track names per pattern for both OT's and A4, seamless transition to an entirely unique VST chain per bank, 16 variations within each bank, extensive MIDI remapping and modifying, bpm per pattern, OT crossfader tied to A4 Performance knobs per scene etc. etc. Once the songs are built, all control is hands on Elektron hardware for live use with quite a twist. B) <http://elektron-users.com/images/fbfiles/images/OTControlsmall.png>

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Re:Which daw or soft are you using?

Posted by recyclinglostcities - 2013/05/23 05:06

Just yesterday, a friend was telling me about Usine and that people have been doing cool things with it and the Elektrons. I looked at it a bit, but didn't really wrap my head around it. Will probably check out the free version when they post it again.

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Re:Which daw or soft are you using?

Posted by jimmyscalp - 2013/05/23 05:17

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Re:Which daw or soft are you using?

Posted by Pong Fu - 2013/05/23 12:04

Try reasoning with Cain and Abelton. :dry: :backslap:

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Re:Which daw or soft are you using?

Posted by Glitchedout - 2013/05/23 12:39

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Posted by TheKM - 2013/05/23 13:30

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Re:Which daw or soft are you using?

Posted by Upright - 2013/05/23 14:25

Live 9 here as well

I also have Reason 6.5 and Cakewalk 8 Producer Edition but nothing beats Live 9 for getting my creative juices flowing. :)

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Traktion just announced Linux support, the new version looks pretty interesting I think.

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Re:Which daw or soft are you using?

Posted by joshEjosh - 2013/05/24 01:12

Hey, new MnM user here. :)

Ableton Live 9 is my main DAW. I've had pretty good luck syncing the DSI Tempest to Live, so I'm sure that the MnM will work well when similarly synced.

Il also use Reaper for some things, but... getting the sync right seems to be a bit tricky with that.

Looking forward to seeing what the MnM can do (along with the Tempest).

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Re:Which daw or soft are you using?

Posted by anselmi - 2013/05/24 02:24

Sony Acid Pro 6.0d
Sony Sound Forge 9
Sony CD Architect
Some Waves plugins (SSL4000, IR-1 reverb, API)
that's it...

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Re:Which daw or soft are you using?

Posted by RubixGroove - 2013/05/24 02:44

Only software I use is Logic Pro 9 and it's typically just used as a bad ass recorder.
Can't figure out Live to save my gramma's life.
Pro Tools is insanely uninspiring to me after using it for a year straight at school... /wrists

Any time the software instruments are used I am sampling them into the MPC or OP-1, and keep it like that for sake of simplicity. No MIDI sequencing needed. :cheer:

Everything I've been doing lately has been recorded to tape so I'm now finding out a whole new workflow between digital editing and analogue recording. Pretty fun thus far.

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Re:Which daw or soft are you using?

Posted by 22tape - 2013/05/24 02:46

i tend to experiement all kinds of different ways outside of the computer. it all ends up in the beautiful renoise for final arrangement and mix. sunvox on the ipad has been getting tons of action, but it's just short a couple of features to make it an all-in-one daw for me. but the dev puts out updates at a break-neck pace so it shouldn't be long. i was skeptical about a tracker on the ipad, but it really is well thought-out and most importantly uncomplicated and fun.

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Re:Which daw or soft are you using?

Posted by license - 2013/05/24 04:35

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That's funny you say that about pro tools. I always wanted to take a stab at it but it seems kind of one sided

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Ah, nice. I didn't even know it had that.

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Re:Which daw or soft are you using?

Posted by vvd - 2013/05/24 05:32

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Posted by 22tape - 2013/05/24 10:07

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And for me, the biggest reason it would be fantastic is Renoise's solid MIDI clock. I've never used anything so DAW-like with such solid MIDI clock (I'm not a Live user...) and basically the only major thing it's missing is the ability to record multitrack audio. It's great as a sampler, it's awkward as a recorder. I could care less whether they ever get a piano roll, I just want to record & play my jams!

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Yep, it's absolutely an option when rendering down. My issue is that I love Renoise for editing short samples like drums. It's a little limited, but so much faster than anything else I've used. Rendering down is great for loops, but it's a bit awkward for one-shots.

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Re:Which daw or soft are you using?

Posted by Blumenthal - 2013/05/24 18:14

I also use Ableton Live for experimenting, playing and recording, then I move into Auria to work on the structure, and then Logic for effects, mastering, etc. Not the fastest workflow, and I don't have compelling reasons for it (you can do all this in Logic, Live, even Auria... No need to move between the three), but it works for me.

On the VST issue, too many favourites soft synths: Absynth, Alchemy, Diva, FM8, LuSH-101, Razor, Skanner XT... And I love to play The Giant piano with the OctaTrack.

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I agree DuDe !!

Got it yesterday and it is doing already things that i would love from an analog desk.

Of course it is digital, but less polite than other DAWs...and i appreciate this a lot

Possibilities to route ProTools into it - it's just superfun

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