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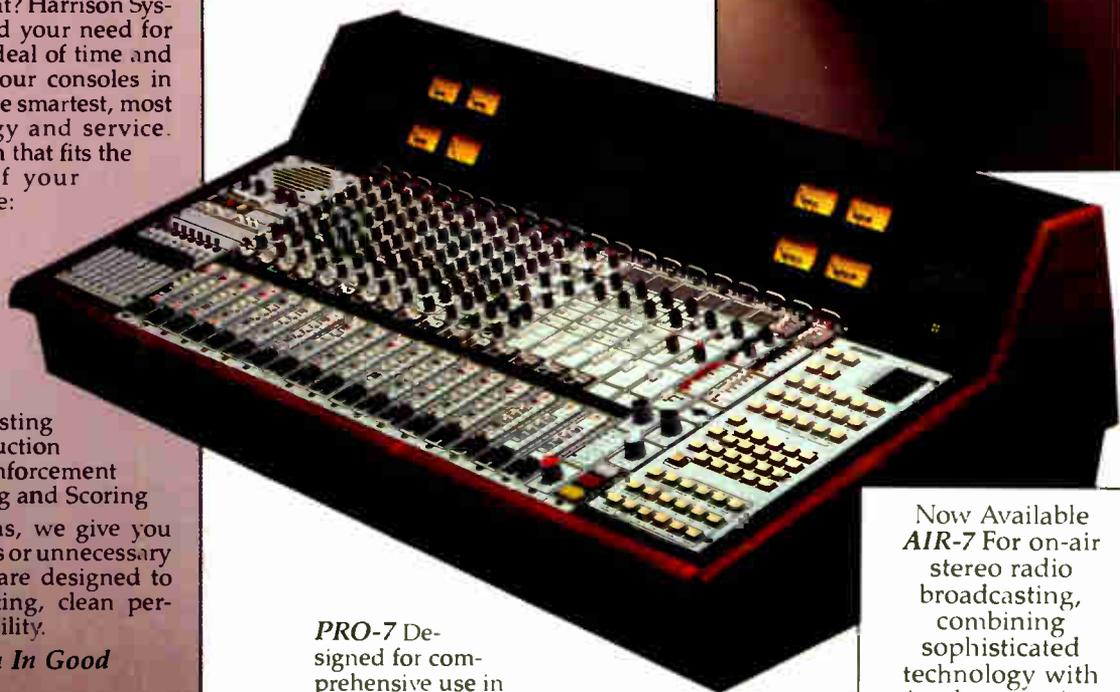
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by Michael Utterback



One of our main features this issue is an exhaustive piece on *loudspeaker technology* by Larry Oppenheimer. Rather than taking a strictly historical approach, Larry instead looks at some of the key figures in the field through the years. That story begins on page 12.

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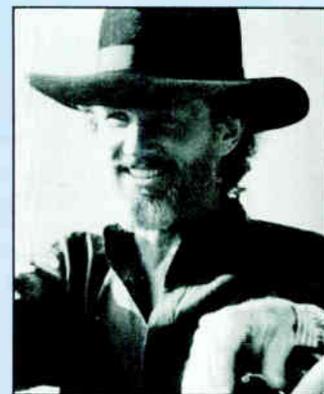
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For years, Nashville has called itself "Music City." It's still the country music capital of the world, but now the metropolis has an added claim to fame—"Music City" is quickly becoming "*Movie City*." Rose Clayton looks at the burgeoning Nashville film industry on page 40.



Nashville is just one of the many cities we visit in our look at studio activities in the Southeastern region, which starts on page 52. From Memphis to Miami, business is up for *Southeastern recording studios*, and *Mix* writers tell you why in this month's round-up.

You don't get to play with the best unless you are one of the best. That's certainly true in the case of drummer *Jim Keltner*, who has played with everyone from Dylan to Cooder. Mr. Bonzai finds out what makes this super skinsman tick in his "Lunching" on page 94.



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Dear *Mix*:

It was with mixed emotions that we read the excellent article on Danny Tate and East of Eden in the December issue of *Mix*—the untimely death of the article's writer, Laurice Niemtus, a few weeks before the issue's publication saddened us all. Laurice was a well-respected member of the music press, and deservedly so. Her understanding of and empathy for the artist enabled her to get the most out of an interview, and in turn, take than information and created an article that captured the true spirit of the subject.

Laurice and her writing will be greatly missed by those of us who knew her, and greatly admired and respected her work.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Bohler/
Network Ink, Inc.
Danny Tate and East of Eden
Carl Marsh

Dear *Mix*:

I would like to commend you on your informative update on stereo TV in the November issue. I found the articles on WTTW and the *Tonight Show* to be extremely interesting.

I promise I'll continue reading *Mix* as long as it continues to mirror so many diverse aspects of the industry.

Sincerely,
Keith W. Stiver
San Francisco, CA

Dear *Mix*:

I own a Dokorder 8140 four-channel deck. I was advised that there is a source of parts (and/or service) in the L.A. area. I would appreciate any details you could provide.

Thank you,
Greg Lewis
Hermosa Beach, CA

Dear Greg:

At present we know of no sources for Dokorder parts. If any of our readers know of a parts/service source, drop us a line and we'll pass the information along.

Dear *Mix*:

The Mendocino County Regional Occupation Program presently offers courses in Audio/Video in the Mendocino, CA area. We have an eight track studio and a video studio with separate editing suite. The video program has recently expanded to include three quarter inch technology.

The studios have been in operation for a number of years, but recently moved to new facilities. The audio program's future plans include the possible creation of a small record company.

Sincerely,
Lawrence Bullock
Mendocino, CA

Dear Lawrence:

We are forwarding forms so your program can be listed in our July 1985 Recording School Directory. We encourage other schools to contact us if they wish to be included in that issue.

Dear *Mix*:

I was very impressed with Audio Analysts' sound work on the Styx *Kilroy Was Here* tour, and I am wondering how to contact the company.

Sincerely,
Michael Cavallero
Taylor, Michigan

Dear Michael:

Audio Analysts can be contacted at Box 713, Plattsburgh, NY 12901, (518) 561-5071.

Corrections:

Our Northwest Studio Update in January named Steve Fouce of Lakeside Associates as the designer of Cougar Run Studios. The design was actually done by Carl Yanchar of the same firm. Also the studio has added a Fairlight CMI, which was omitted.

Our studio listings section erroneously listed the 24 track Ocean Studio (Stinson Beach, CA) as Ocean Audio. We regret any confusion this may have caused.

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CONVENTIONS

77th AES CONVENTION

The 77th convention of the Audio Engineering Society will be held March 5 through 8, 1985 in Hamburg, West Germany. The city previously hosted successful AES meets in 1978 and 1981, and this year's event shows excellent prospects so far with the convention occupying the entire exhibit area of the Congress Center.

At press time, at least 42 technical papers were slated for presentation, along with eight sessions on the following topics: digital and analog recording; digital processing; room acoustics; loudspeakers; microphones; studio technology; measurements and instrumentation; and psychoacoustics. A special panel on the education of recording engineers will focus on the European parameters for preparing students for careers in the industry. Other events calendared include tours of Steinway & Sons, Studio Hamburg, the NDR studio, and other places of interest. Also not to be missed will be the AES Awards Banquet, to be held in the main ballroom of the Atlantic Hotel.

The next U.S. convention of the Society will take place May 3 through 6, 1985 at the Disneyland Hotel in Anaheim, California.

Record Attendance at Winter CES

The 1985 International Winter Consumer Electronics Show held this past January in Las Vegas attracted a record number of visitors and exhibitors, a sure sign that this year is going to be yet another banner year for the consumer electronics industry.

Compact Discs were still very much the rage, with more than 30 different manufacturers displaying CD hardware and all indicators pointing to continued enormous growth in that relatively new area of technology. Also shown was a combination digital video/audio disk system.

Stereo television continued to make significant inroads, with a score of

manufacturers displaying stereo TV hardware, and others showing new stereo VCRs, already threatening to make mono VCRs virtually obsolete. Also on the TV front was the introduction of flat screen television, the forerunner of the sort of "wall television" that futurists and science fiction writers have been predicting for years.

A new twist added to this year's show was the special "Live From Las Vegas" TV program, featuring highlights of the show, which was beamed by satellite to New York-area retailers unable to attend the show.

The summer CES will be held June 2 through 5 in Chicago.

Market Surveys Available

Quarry Hill, Inc. of Arlington, VA, is offering three extensively detailed

market surveys the company conducted on different areas of optical laser technology. The three surveys are: The Videodisk Market Survey and Report, which goes into the applications of videodisk technology and the potential of the videodisk market; The Optical Digital Data Disk Market Survey and Report, which identifies the storage technologies that are being used, attitudes and perceptions of users; and the CD-ROM (Compact Disc) Market Survey and Report, designed to identify the composition of a consumer trend-setting population and feelings about CD technology and its applications.

Each report is available separately for \$650, or all three can be purchased for \$1,450. For more information, write to Quarry Hill, Inc., P.O. Box 574, Arlington, VA 22216, or call (703) 237-0682.

notes

The architectural design, acoustics and engineering team of *Vin Gizzi* and *Francis Daniel* have formed *Benchmark Associates Inc.* to develop high tech facilities for the communications industry. They can be reached at 425 East 63rd St., New York, NY 10021, ph. 212/688-6262. *Soundcraft Electronics* has opened a new manufacturing facility in Borehamwood, just outside of London, to allow them to bring all stages of manufacturing under one roof. Nashville producer/studio executive *Norbert Putnam* has launched *Studio Standard Systems, Inc.*, a company to design and equip recording studios located at 2012 21st Ave. South in Nashville, TN 37212. *Shoreline Teleproduction Systems* has expanded its field sales force with the additions of *Larry Forbes*, *Alan Pecherer* and *Penny Russell*. *AKG Acoustics* have taken over distribution of their own products in the U.S., via their Stamford, CT facility, after twenty years with North American Philips Corporation. *Barcus-Berry Electronics* has established its national sales distribution program, with representatives including *Pro-Tech Marketing*, Norwalk, CA; *Audity 2001*, Denver, CO; *John B. Anthony Co.*, Stamford, CT; *Elrep Sales*, Tucker, GA; *New Horizons Electronics*, Bannockburn, IL; *Allen Cohen Sales Associates*, Ashuelot, NH; *Bernie Darmstedter Associates*, Baldwinsville, NY; *Bob White & Associates*,

Solon, OH; *Metro-Rep Sales*, Freehold, NJ; and *Northshore Marketing*, Seattle, WA. *Roland* will be holding seminars in electronic music during March and April in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Dallas, St. Louis, Washington, D.C., Philadelphia, New York City, Boston, Chicago, Minneapolis-St. Paul, Kansas City and Denver. For more info, call 800/352-7930 or 312/545-0460 collect in Illinois.

Bruel and Kjaer will be holding a seminar on "Sound Intensity—Theory and Measurement" March 6-8 in Anaheim, CA. Call 714/978-8066 for details. *Solid State Logic* has opened a sales, service and training facility headed by Andy Wild at 6255 Sunset Blvd., Suite 1026, Los Angeles 90028. The San Francisco Chapter of *NARAS*, in cooperation with Baldwin piano is hosting a seminar on piano acoustics and mixing techniques, April 3. Call 415/777-4633 for further info. Nashville's *Crescendo Productions* has moved to 630 Ninth Avenue, New York, NY 10036. *Ted Tedesco* has been promoted to the post of Operations Manager/Industrial of *VCA Duplicating Corporation/Midwest*. *Ron Colgan* has been named national sales manager for *Sharp Electronics Corporation's* Professional Products Division. *Bruce Poe* and *Bill Spence* have been promoted to Project Engineers and *Jeff Woodruff* to Electronics Group Technician 11, at *Electro-Voice*.



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“That’s better,” we said. “We’ve probably got enough to do a pretty good ad for you. Before we go, though, you probably ought to run us through a quick demo. That might help if we get stuck for the right word to describe what the effects sound like.”

“Sure,” they said. “Hope you like what you hear.”

So we listened. Then we walked over to the typewriter, rolled in a blank sheet of paper, and typed a headline that seemed to say it all:

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SESSIONS

NORTHWEST

At the **Music Annex**, Menlo Park, CA, **Roger Wiersema** recorded two projects with **Ronnie Montrose** producing: **Lion**, for BGP Productions, and **Mae West**, a popular local act. Also Jim Dean worked on several sessions with **In-cense**, **The Press**, **The County Line Trio**, and **Los Romanticos**. . . At **Patchbay Studios** in San Rafael, **The Crew** has been working on several new songs with Patchbay engineer **Gordon Elliot**. . . At **Colorado Sound** in Westminster, CO jazz singer **Diane Reeves** recorded her new album on Palo Alto Records. . . **The Dynatones** were at San Rafael, CA's **Tres Virgos Studios** mixing their debut album for **Rounder Records**, **Tough to Shake**. The project was produced by **John Rewind** and engineered by **Joe Tarantino** and **Gordon Lyon**. Another independent album project at Tres Virgos was **Linda Tillery's Secrets** with **Ray Obiedo** producing with **Stacy Baird** and **Gordon Lyon** engineering. . . Action at **Color Zone Productions** in Novato, CA: **Johnny Colla** and **Bill Gibson** of Huey Lewis & The News were in doing demo work and putting the studio's Emulator II to good use; and songwriter **Annette Klyce** cut tracks with **Maurice Cridlin** producing and **Mikey Raskovsky** engineering. . . Long-time guitarist for **Graham Central Station**, **David Vega**, completed four new songs at **Freeway Recording Studios** in Oakland, CA. Engineer **Dave Humrick** was at the controls. . . At **Mushroom Studios** in Vancouver, **Keith Stein** was engineering an album for **Jim Foster** with L.A.'s **Walter Stewart** producing. **Alfie Zappacosta** also zipped in (between club dates and video taping) to lay down some tracks with Keith and Walter. . . Engineer/producer **Matt Wallace** was busy at **Starlight Sound** in Richmond, CA, working on releases from **My Sin**, **Don Jackovich** and **Monkey Rhythm**. Also at Starlight were the hard rocking **Michael Spears Band** with **Norman Kerner** behind the board. . .

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

At **Image Recording** in Hollywood **Dan Hartman** and **Jimmy Iovine** produced a project for Dan for MCA Records. **Shelly Yakus** engineered, with **Steve Krause** assisting. . . **Eddie Lee** and his 14-piece **Steady Money Band** finished their album at **Emerald City Recording**, Grover City, CA. Also at E.C.R., **Merrell Fankhauser** remixed some classic tapes of **Mu**, recorded on Maui in 1974. . . **Sound Image Studio**, North Hollywood, CA had **Demola Adi-**

poju from King Sunny Ade's band in working on a solo project for Moji Productions with **John Henning** at the board. . . Producer **Patrick Henderson** was in **Skip Saylor Recording** mixing tracks for a soon to be released LP by **Carl Anderson** for Epic Records. Skip Saylor was behind the board. Also in was Polygram act **Confunkshun**, tracking a single with producers **Billy Osborne** and **Zane Giles**. . . **Pakadern Studio** in Los Alamitos, CA played host to San Diego-based rock group, **Planet. Dino** and **John Elefante** were both in the studio with Planet producing the project. Dino also engineered with **Mike Mierau** assisting. . .

SOUTHWEST

William Walker Production Agency finished production on an album for **Inflight** at **Sumet Studios** in Dallas with **Stacy Brownrigg** engineering. **Bobby Dennis** mixed **Tribe's** two-song presentation for A&M Records. . . **Omega Audio** in Dallas was hired to provide 24 track recording services for a television music special starring **Red Steagall**. The show, titled "Red Steagall's Country Place" was shot at Studio "A" at the studios at Las Colinas in Dallas, Texas. . . **Luv Sound** in Dallas completed recording a new album, **I Am a Promise**, for Luv Records featuring **Joe Alan** with **Gary Scott** engineering. . . **Lonnie Mack** was overdubbing and mixing at **Austin Recording** recently. The producer was none other than **Stevie Ray Vaughn**. The album is going on Alligator records, the blues label from Chicago. . . Also in at Austin Recording was **Jerry Jeff Walker**, editing tracks he recorded there in September with engineer **Wink Tyler**. . . The ACTS Television Network used the facilities of **Sierra Recording** in Fort Worth, TX to mix live music segments of their **Country Crossroads** program, which featured **Bill Mack**, **Jerry Clower**, **David Houston**, **Christy Lane**, **Connie Smith**, **Jerry Van Dyke**, and the



Jerry Jeff Walker (L) and Bob Livingston at Austin Recording.

Sons of the Pioneers. Music director **Randy Brooks** supervised the mixing, with Sierra engineer **Randy Adams** at the board. . .

NORTH CENTRAL

Recent activity at **Ryansound Recording** in Detroit included **Somerset** cutting tracks for a single, produced by **Andre Jones**, **Dave Sanders** at the console; and **Film at Eleven** finishing up tracks for their demo produced by **Wayne**, **Raymond Wimbley** engineering. . . At **Sparrow Sound Design** in Chicago, the rock band **Foxfire** cut 16 track original songs for a new video pilot and pop/jingle singer **Ellen Germaine** completed four original songs for a West Coast demo. . . At **Sound Summit** in Lake Geneva, WI **Cheap Trick** put down tracks with producer **Jack Douglas** for their new LP on CBS/Epic. Engineering was **Paul Klingberg** with assistant engineer **John Patterson**. . . **Rock Corps**, produced by R.A. Sheffield, completed two single releases recorded at **A.R.S. Recording Studio** in Alsip, IL. Engineered by **Gary Cobb**. . .

SOUTHEAST

Reel Sound Studios is the name of a just-opened facility in Miami that offers multitrack audio for video services. Reel Sound features Tascam recorders, dbx noise reduction, Carvin console, Hafler DH-500s, Aphex Aural Exciters, Roland Digital Delays, dbx 160x compressors as well as an extensive selection of musical instruments and much more. . . Recording at **Island Records' Compass Point Studios** in Nassau, The Bahamas were CBS recording artists **Julio Iglesias** and **Stevie Ray Vaughn**. . . At **Music Mill** in Nashville, producer **Harold Shedd** finished mixing **Alabama's** new album, engineered by **Jim Cotton**, **Joe Scaife**, **Paul Goldberg** and **George Clinton**. And **John Anderson** was in working on his new album with **Jim Ed Norman** and **Lou Bradley** producing. . . London-based songwriter **Tony Hiller** teamed up at **Sound Emporium Recording Studios** in Nashville with writer/producer **Byron Hill** to demo songs the pair wrote together during Hiller's two-week visit. Hiller's credits include recordings by **Anne Murray**, **Olivia Newton-John**, **Crystal Gayle**, **Sonny & Cher** and many others. . . **Barbara Mandrell** layed new tracks for her next album at **Woodland Sound Studios** in Nashville. **Tom Collins** produced with independent engineer **Les Ladd** and **Tim Farmer** behind the con-



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trols... Word Records recording artist Dion was in overdubbing and mixing his upcoming LP at **New River Studios** in Fort Lauderdale, FL. Sharing producing duties with Dion were **Eric Schilling** and **Paul Harris**, with Schilling engineering, assisted by New River's **Ted Stein**... At **Disc Mastering Inc.** in Nashville, producer **Brien Fisher** was in working on **The Kendalls'** new single and album for Polygram; and a new **Moe Bandy** album has been in the works for CBS, produced by **Blake Mevis**... **The Duchess** was at **Sandcastle Recording** in Greenville, SC, putting the finishing touches on her five-song debut entitled **Dangerous**, produced by **David Crossman**, and engineered by **Rick Sandidge**, part-owner of Sandcastle...

recording and mixing the new **Jeff Lorber Fusion** album; both projects produced by **The System** and engineered by **Mario Salvati**... **Fonda Rae** was in at **Power Play Studios** in L.I. City, New York cutting the followup to the Top 10 dance hit "Touch Me." It's called "Please Don't Make Me Wait," produced and engineered by **Patrick Adams**... **Phil Austin** of **Trutone Records**, Haworth, NJ completed mastering "Step Off," by **The Furious Five** on the Sugarhill label. **Shameek Gonsalves** was the engineer, **Sylvia Robinson** the producer... **Connie Francis** visited East Orange, NJ's **Eastern Artists Recording Studio (E.A.R.S.)** to record vocal overdubs. **John Lombardo** was at the board... Work has begun at **The Power House**, Camden, NJ, on the soundtrack for the

tion of a new dubbing/editing room... **Trod Nossel Recording** in Wallingford, CT now offers a fully automated 32-channel mixing service. Along with the installation of computerized mix-down, track capability has been increased to 24 via a Scully transport with customized electronics and expanded Automated Processes console... **Strawberry Jamm** in West Columbia, SC has upgraded to automated 24 track with the installation of a new MCI JH-636 automated plasma display console and a new MCI JH-24 multitrack recorder supplied by Studioworks of Charlotte, North Carolina. The new equipment has been integrated into a totally new control room designed by Tom Irby of Studio Supply Company, Nashville... **Glen Glenn Sound** in Hollywood, CA recently furthered its position as an innovator with the addition of the Sony PCM-3324 digital multitrack recorder. The purchase followed industry wide enthusiasm for Glenn's 30-minute experimental 70mm film **Digital Dream**, which features the first all-digitally-produced 6-channel soundtrack... **Trutone Records Disc Mastering Labs** of Haworth, New Jersey bought a Sony PCM-1610 digital processor, a Sony BVU-800AD 3/4" U-matic recorder, a Studer DAD-16 digital delay, and a Sony PCM-701 digital processor... **Soundcraft Electronics**, of Santa Monica, CA has announced the delivery of a TS 24 console to well known R&B producer, arranger and composer **Kashif**. The console has 40 channels and is fully fitted with Audio Kinetics MasterMix disk based automation... **New River Studios** of Fort Lauderdale, FL became the first studio in Florida to take delivery of an AMS RMX16 digital reverb. The unit was first used for Word Records artist Dion at the facility... Technological updates at **Greene Street Recording**, New York City, recently included a Roland Master Keyboard Controller with Roland modules Sync Box SBX-80, Super Jupiter MKS-80, Super Jupiter Programmer MPG-80, Planet P MKS-10 and Planet S MKS-30, as well as the Emulator II and the Bel BD 80 8 second sampling delay unit... **Hoyt & Walker Productions** of Little Rock has announced the opening of a new eight track facility designed specifically for broadcast production. The equipment list includes a custom Neotek Series I 16x8 console, Otari MX5050 8-track with dbx, autolocator and remote, and much more... **Kajem Recording** in Gladwyne, PA installed a Solid State Logic 4000E Computerized Console. **Kajem** is now the first and only studio in the Philadelphia region to offer the SSL System... **Nutmeg Recording** of New York City has finished its recent renovation and expansion. Studio A has been completely remodeled with the enlargement of the control room and the addition of a video interlock system. Along with the BTX Softouch/Cypher system, Nutmeg has added a new eight track for interlock, and a Lexicon digital reverb... **Classic Sound Studio**, in New York City, has added the Klark-Teknik DN780 digital reverberation system to its growing list of outboard equipment. **Classic** has expanded its mike collection and has recently purchased a Yamaha DX7 synth, Oberheim DX drum machine, and Sony PCM F-1 two track digital recording system...



At work on **J. Blackfoot's** new LP at **Ardent Recording** in Memphis are (L) engineer **Henry Bush** and writer/producer **Homer Banks**.

NORTHEAST

At **Secret Sound Studio** in New York City, **Ray Goodman & Brown** mixed a new album for **Panoramic Records**. **Al Goodman**, **Chuck Corrado**, **Kevin Owens** and **Walter Morris** all produced, with **Scott Noll** engineering and **Warren Bruleigh** assisting... At **Systems Two** in New York City, **George Logios** and **Willie Daniels** were in producing **Straffe's** follow-up to their most recent hit, "Set It Off." **Walter Gibbins** and **Audie Lebensfeld** engineered... **ServiSound** in New York City recorded singer and entertainer **Melba Moore**, mixer **Ralph Jones** handling all the audio engineering for the job... **Jim Pugh**, trombone player and recipient of the 1984 NARAS Most Valuable Player Award completed the cutting and production of his new digital album **Crystal Eyes** at **Trutone Records** in Haworth, New Jersey. **Carl Rowatti** was the mastering engineer transferring from the Mitsubishi MX-80 system with **Tom Jung** assisting... Recent projects at **Sorcerer Sound** in New York City included the **Angela Bofill** album for **Arista** records, including the hit single "Can't Slow Down," and

motion picture **Miracle in a Manger**, starring **Donald O'Connor** and **Morgana King**. The soundtrack album, showcasing the talents of tenors **Daniel Brewer** and **Hans Ashbaker**, is being produced by **MIAM Productions**, with arrangements by **Bill Grabowski**. **Power House** chief engineer **Mark Schultz** is at the board... At **Evergreen Recording** in New York City, **Stephen Miller** was in producing and engineering tracks for **Mitchell Forman's** new album for **Windham Hill Records'** new label, **Magenta Records**. **Hahn Rowe** was the assistant... At **Classic Sound Studio** in New York City, **Marian McPartland** recorded a solo piano album for **Concord Jazz**, **Frank Kulaga** engineering, **Carl Jefferson** producing; and **Bob Golden** produced saxophonist **Bud Shank** with **Kenny Barron**, **Al Foster**, and **Ron Carter** for **Muse Records**. **Jim Anderson** engineered with **Judy Elliot-Brown** assisting...

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SOUND VISIONS

Some Thoughts on Speaker Technology

by Larry Oppenheimer

The *Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy* is a truly remarkable book. The introduction starts like this: "Space," it says, "is big. Really big. You just won't believe how vastly, hugely, mind-bogglingly big it is!" The Guide's entry on the subject of loudspeakers contains an equally eloquent, if less loquacious comment. It says, "Ditto." This is a wily move on the part of the *Guide's* editors, for it is no more possible to comprehensively discuss any aspect of loudspeakers in a single book entry (or magazine article) than it is to transcribe the entire *Audio Cyclopaedia* on the back of a track sheet. Therefore, this is not the story of loudspeaker evolution or loudspeaker design. It's not an explanation of

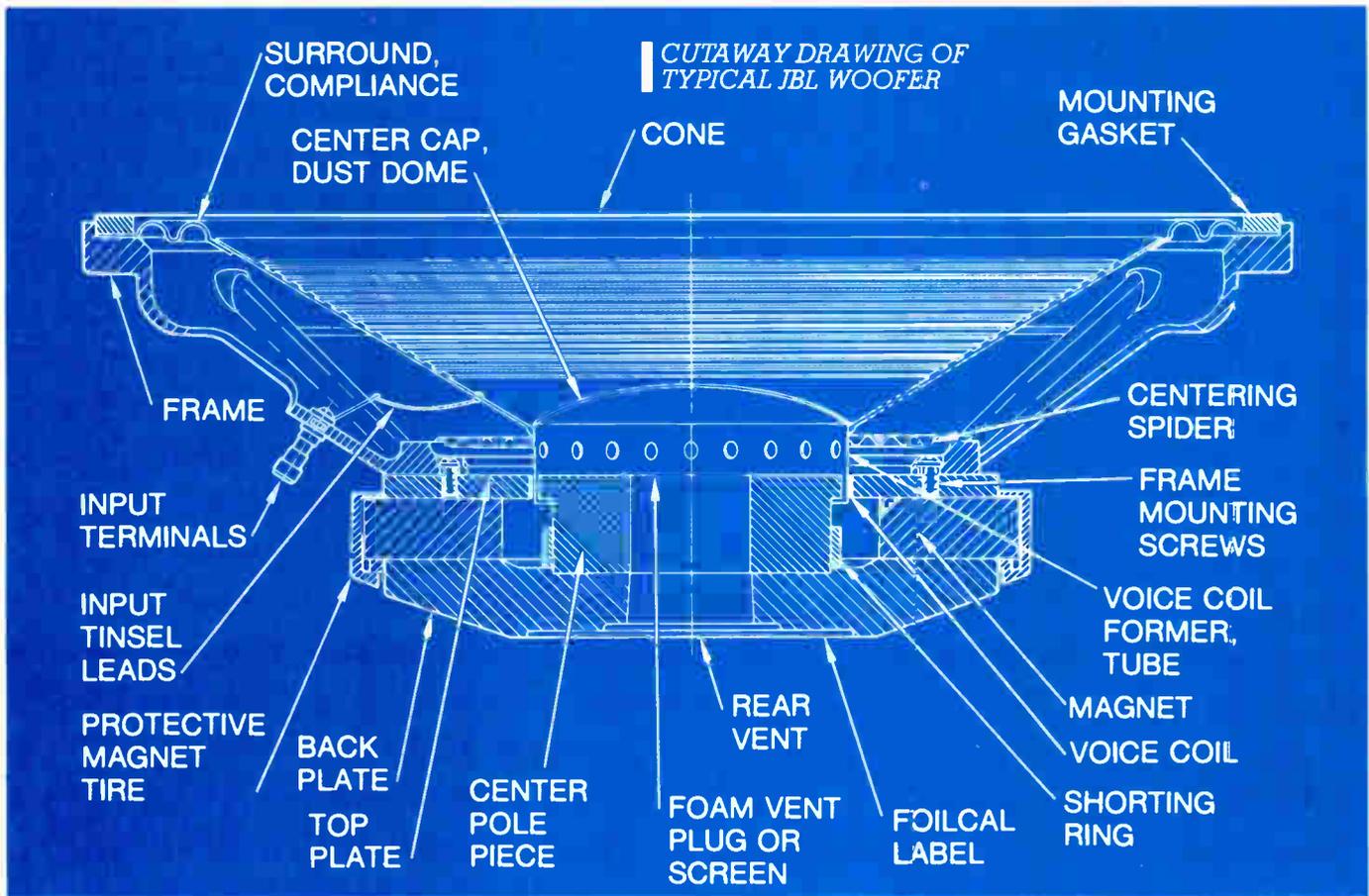
Pioneers like Ed Long, Paul Klipsch, John Meyer, Amar Bose and others have changed the way you hear music.

some mysterious aspect of loudspeaker performance. It's not a story or explanation at all; it is simply a reflection on the perspectives and visions of a few of the preeminent names in loudspeakers. The idea is that it is helpful when trying to fully understand and use a tool such as a loudspeaker to know some of the thoughts that went into it. Herein are some of those thoughts. The people contacted for this article were chosen for their recognized accomplishments in the field and the distinctiveness of their contributions. There are a great many others who would have been equally appropriate.

What makes the subject of loudspeakers so vastly, hugely, mind-bogglingly big? After all, we're just trying to push air around. It seems that a coil of



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wire hung in the middle of some magnet and maybe glued to a cone of paper is all that's needed. Throw a few in a box and you're all set. Pump a little juice through and what do you get? Well, that depends on how you coiled the wire, how big the magnet is, what kind of paper and glue you used, and a zillion other factors ranging from the obvious to the arcane.

The formula described above does more or less accurately define the process of loudspeaker design, and many manufacturers do not extend this concept any further, yielding the audio equivalent of fast food. It's edible, but hardly gourmet fare. The good stuff comes from trained and practiced chefs skilled in the synthesis of fine recipes from available ingredients, the demands of the occasion, and an inspired palate. Like a good chef, a loudspeaker designer must have a thorough knowledge of the processes which are involved.

"You need a background which is not just in acoustics," points out Ed Long of E.M. Long Associates. "The background in chemistry, electronics and physics tie together in loudspeakers like they don't do in practically anything else."

Long has been designing loudspeakers and loudspeaker systems since the '60s, and is often noted for his work alone and with Ron Wickersham of Alembic, which produced the Time

Align® process, Near Field Monitoring™, the Pressure Recording Process (which is the basis of PZM and other boundary-type microphones) and ELF™ (Extended Low Frequency) technology. Long's statement underscores the feeling that the process of combining the scientific, the practical, and the subjective to produce a good loudspeaker is almost alchemical in

nature. It goes something like this: given a specified need or application, juggle a humongous number of contributing mechanical, electromagnetic, acoustic, and psychoacoustic factors and tradeoffs until the ones you feel are most important get taken care of, and end up with a result that sounds good, fits the need or application, can be produced well at a reasonable cost, and will sell in enough

The Compression Loudspeaker/Pattern Control Horn: An Encapsulated History

by Gregory A. DeTogne

Not that many people give it much thought, but horns have to a large degree shaped the daily interactions that have been vital to cultural development the world over. Witness the instrument personally chosen by Joshua to blow down the walls of Jericho, what is used each year to announce the running of the fabled Kentucky Derby, and which device best expresses our daily anger at other motorists (besides the ever-popular single-digit hand signal).

Once put into its proper perspec-

tive then, it's obvious to even the most casual observer that the horn is indeed more than just another contrivance. It's a socially significant tool man has relied upon for centuries to help him communicate beyond his normal verbal means.

With that in mind, it's hard to believe that horns in general really didn't evolve much from the time Neanderthal types carved the first prototypes out of animal horns and conch shells until early in this century, when pioneer sound tweaks added electrical energy to the concept and

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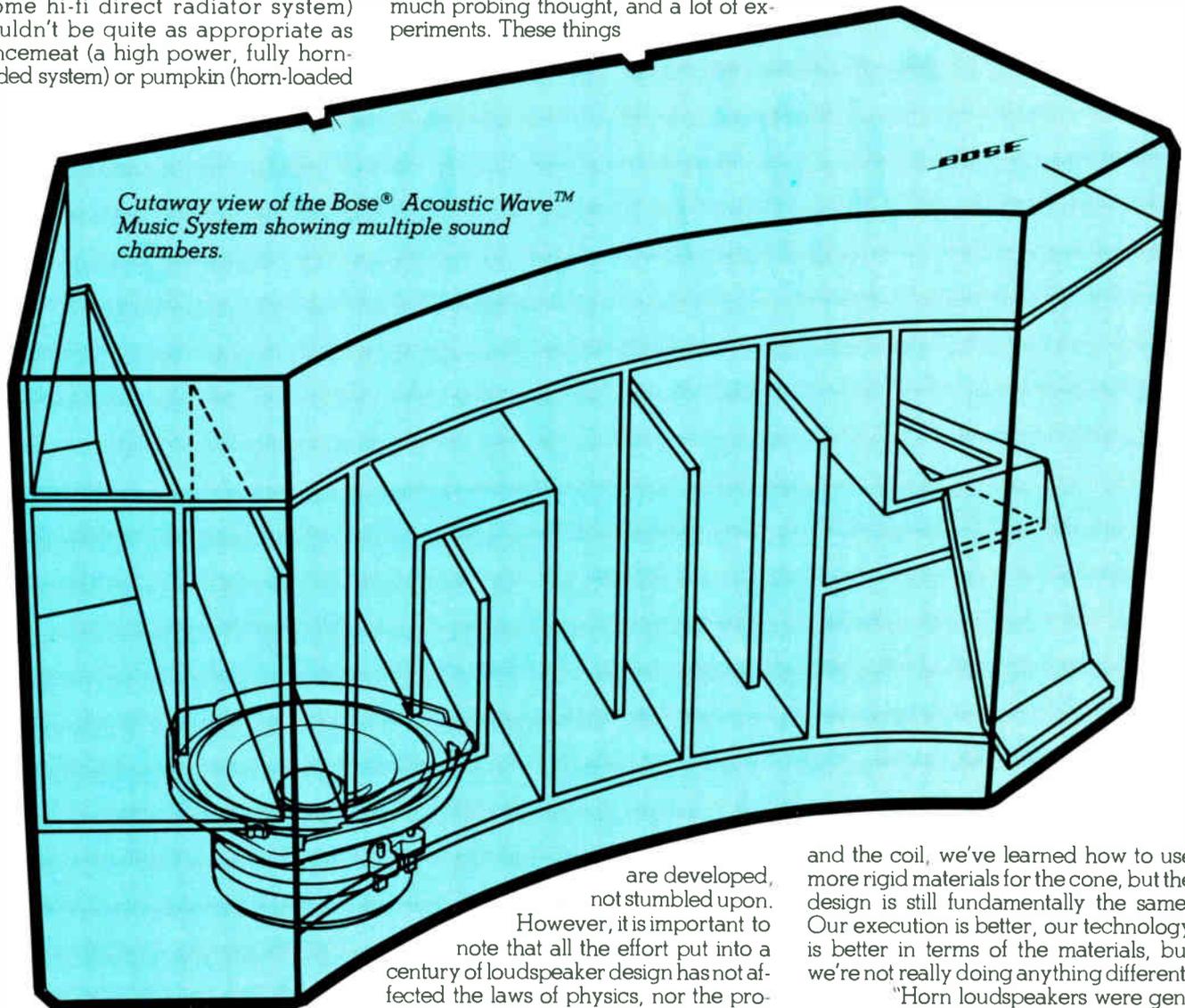
numbers to make the whole affair worthwhile. (Although engineers design for the love of it, most want to get paid, too.)

This idea is more easily grasped with the help of the Great Pie-In-the-Ear Analogy. A chef is told that a pie (loudspeaker system) must be baked (designed) for dessert (a concert club). The most important question is: what kind of meal is to be served (what is the application)? If it is Thanksgiving dinner (a high level sound reinforcement situation), then something like a lemon meringue pie (home hi-fi direct radiator system) wouldn't be quite as appropriate as mincemeat (a high power, fully horn-loaded system) or pumpkin (horn-loaded

sound). Following a meal of fast food (an outdoor paging application), all of these pies would be too much trouble (cost, bulk, complexity of use) and couldn't satisfy the junk food junkie's hard core sugar craving (continual abuse by the elements), so it is perhaps best to serve a bag of jelly beans (an industrial paging horn and driver).

To sum up this half-baked analogy, what it boils down to is that improvements in speakers are usually the result of a good scientific understanding, much probing thought, and a lot of experiments. These things

with it; they were the first ones that actually perfected it, although there were similar cone-type speakers before that. Their basic speaker in 1926, a moving coil loudspeaker, was a coil of wire immersed in a magnetic structure moving a truncated cone to act as a piston to vibrate the air. Everything we've done since then looks and works just about the same way. We've used different magnets, we've got better materials, we've learned how to balance the suspension



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high end, ported bass cabinets, also high power), largely because it would not be as traditional (efficient, roadworthy, controlled dispersion); although among an intimate gathering of a few friends for Thanksgiving (an acoustic performer in a tiny club or coffeehouse), lemon meringue might work OK. For an elegant tea party (living room listening), mincemeat would probably be too heavy and lemon meringue just right (wide dispersion, pleasant, if colored

are developed, not stumbled upon. However, it is important to note that all the effort put into a century of loudspeaker design has not affected the laws of physics, nor the process of alchemy. Loudspeaker designers are refining their craft with new materials and knowledge, but the craft is essentially the same as it ever was, in contrast to fields like signal processing, which has changed radically with the emergence of a whole new technology (microprocessors).

Mark Gander, Product Manager of the Professional Division at JBL, Inc. (long one of the speaker industry's giants), reflects on this: "The cone loudspeaker was invented around the turn of the century. Rice and Kellogg at General Electric in 1926 get credited

and the coil, we've learned how to use more rigid materials for the cone, but the design is still fundamentally the same. Our execution is better, our technology is better in terms of the materials, but we're not really doing anything different.

"Horn loudspeakers were generated about the same time; about the '20s and early '30s is when the compression driver was invented. The concept of the compression driver is making a very small piston and using an acoustical transformer, which is basically what a horn is—an air impedance matching device; using a real small driver to create high pressure at low volume velocity and transforming it to lower pressure and higher volume velocity out of the throat of the horn."

There are other ways of moving air that have been developed, notably



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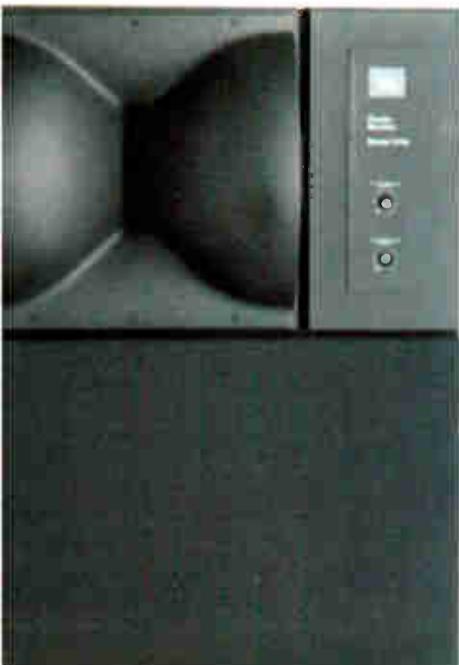
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electrostatic and piezoelectric speakers, both of which have found their own niches—electrostatics primarily in home hi-fi, and piezoelectrics in high frequency sections of sound reinforcement systems, but the overwhelming number of loudspeakers in use are of the moving-coil, dynamic type.

Interest in loudspeaker technology picked up when sound for film began, which occurred at about the same time that Rice and Kellogg were putting the finishing touches on their design at GE. At this opportune time, in 1926, a young man named Paul Klipsch joined GE's testing department. Although he had just received his BSEE in New Mexico, Klipsch had already spent several years experimenting with speakers—the beginning of his life's work. The fundamentals of his design philosophy were formulated early, as he explains:

"Back in the early '20s, when I aspired to be a ham radio operator, I witnessed a demonstration of what we called 'wireless' in those days, wireless telephony. There was a little unlicensed 10 watt radio transmitter over in Juarez, Mexico, just across the river from El Paso (Texas), and they were transmitting the old scratchy shellac phonograph records. A radio receiver in El Paso which picked up the signal and broadcast it acoustically through a Magnavox horn-type loudspeaker. Having seen that speaker, I violated the Tenth Commandment: Thou Shalt Not Covet. Eventually, I got hold of one of those speakers. . . . a terrible mechanism, very poor response, but at least it was loud. It was efficient over its narrow range, and that was something that appealed to me: efficiency. Years later, when I was in South America, I built a radio receiver to pick up WGY shortwave, Schenectady, New York. A friend of mine down there loaned me a cubical box, about a cubit in each dimension (a cubit is the distance

from your knuckle to your elbow). Inside this box was a horn that was curled up, and the thing that appealed to me about that was that it was efficient, and yet it was a horn.

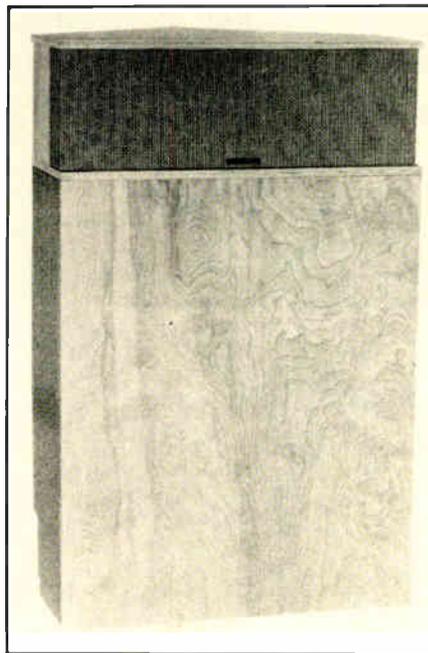
"Some years later, in my graduate work at Stanford, one of my fellow graduate students remarked that any speaker would work better if it was placed in a corner, and I conceived of the corner as the final expansion of a horn. I built several experimental speakers that weren't worth a darn, but my first successful one was a corner horn loudspeaker which I evolved in 1942, when I actually got the thing to work the way I thought it ought to work. The period of gestation was about nine years. That, of course, resulted in a certain amount of

philosophy about horns: I thought efficiency was an important consideration because it takes less amplifier power, and back in those days of five and ten watt amplifiers, that was significant."

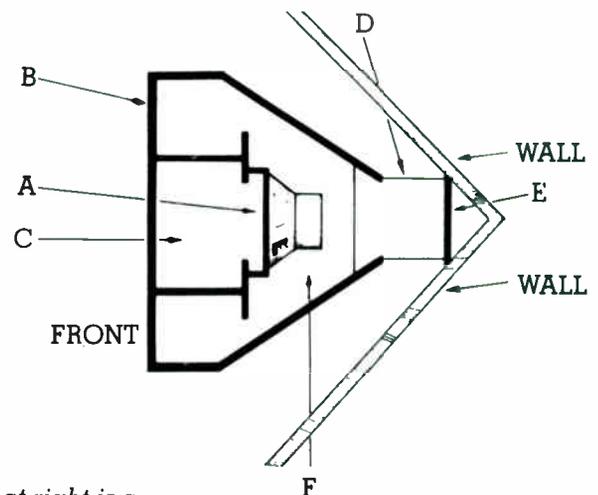
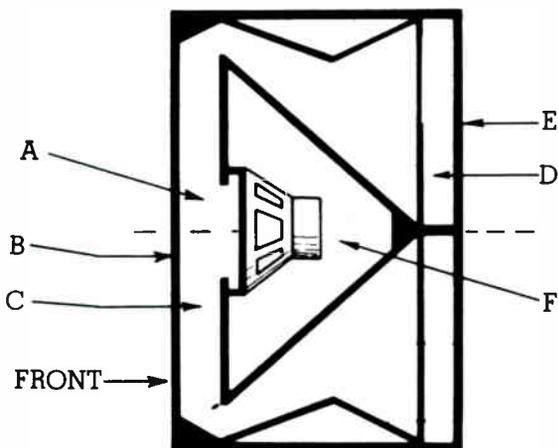
In 1943, Klipsch was granted a patent on his corner horn design, which he called the Klipschorn. In a few years, he started making his speakers in Hope, Arkansas, where he had served while in the Army. After designing horn-loaded mid- and high-frequency sections, the Klipschorn became the flagship of his line, which (with continual improvement along the way), it remains to this day. The Klipschorn's appearance marked the first time that consumers could have serious bass response in their living rooms. Klipsch published papers on his horn designs and continued to research the subject of loudspeakers, often going back to older work to gain new inspiration.

In the '60s, Klipsch expanded his line into the growing sound reinforcement market, and continued to probe classic papers for ideas. "In 1943, Beers and Belar of RCA wrote a paper on frequency modulation distortion in loudspeakers; that was about the middle of World War II; I was in active military duty at the time. I had read that paper, and I dug it up and reread it, tried to analyze it and think about it.

"It was 1967 when another period of gestation terminated. I tried to duplicate Beers' and Belar's work, but I was unsuccessful; however the audio spectrum analyzer became available and I got one of those darn things and, of course, the problem just fell apart in my hands. I wrote a paper in 1967 entitled, "Modulation Distortion in Loudspeakers"; I thought I was going to write about frequency modulation distortion, but I found out I was getting two kinds of distortion (frequency and amplitude). What makes an efficient speaker better is



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not, per se, the efficiency, but the fact that as the efficiency goes up, the distortion goes down, almost inversely proportional. Let's take an ordinary direct radiator loudspeaker: a piston vibrating in a hole in a box.

Let's play like this cone is radiating two frequencies: 100 Hz and 1000 Hz. Now, as the 1000 Hz is being vibrated back and forth by the 100 Hz superimposed frequency, the cone is moving towards you and away from you, carrying this 1000 Hz with it. Well, the same thing happens with the Doppler effect: when you listen to a vehicle going by blowing the horn, the pitch decreases. If we could make this vehicle go back and forth, towards and away from us, the pitch would go up and down, it would flutter. It would be frequency modulated; that's a form of distortion that can be very irritating. Well, that's what happened in this loudspeaker. Now, if we can find out some way of making the diaphragm perform a smaller amount of excursion, suppose we load it in some manner, with a horn, so that the diaphragm has something to push against, and it doesn't have to move as far to give an amount of acoustical pressure, then you can see that the total motion is reduced, the Doppler effect would be reduced, and that particular form of distortion would be reduced.

"I'd been building horn loudspeakers since 1946, at least commercially since '47, and I was extolling the virtues simply because of its high efficiency, but as the philosophy developed in my little pea brain, I could tell them about the reduction in distortion. Now of course, some of the purveyors of less efficient speakers, direct radiator types, insisted that modulation distortion isn't important. I can demonstrate by mixing the two frequencies in a direct radiator that you can hear the side tone of distortion, the flutter, the tones that weren't supposed to be there."

In addition to the multitude of landmark papers that Klipsch has published on horn theory, stereophony, and distortion in loudspeakers, he has patents in several fields besides audio, including geophysics and firearms. In 1978, the Audio Engineering Society awarded Paul Klipsch its prestigious Silver Medal, affirming the audio world's respect for his pioneering work. Unanimous respect, however, is not necessarily unanimous agreement, and there have always been others, like Amar Bose, who chose to attack the problem differently.

In 1956 Amar Bose, then an assistant professor of electrical engineering at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, went shopping for hi-fi speakers armed with his considerable knowledge of electronics to help him plow through the plethora of specifications available

on these devices. He selected the best speaker and took it home. It sounded awful to him. How could this be? Obviously, what made a speaker sound "good" was more than a matter of "objective" specifications; it was also largely dependent on the way people perceived sound. His curiosity piqued, Bose began a research program in physical acoustics and psychoacoustics at MIT to investigate some of these questions. He filed a number of patents on devices he developed based on the information he



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gathered, and in 1964 he formed Bose Corporation to develop his concepts into products.

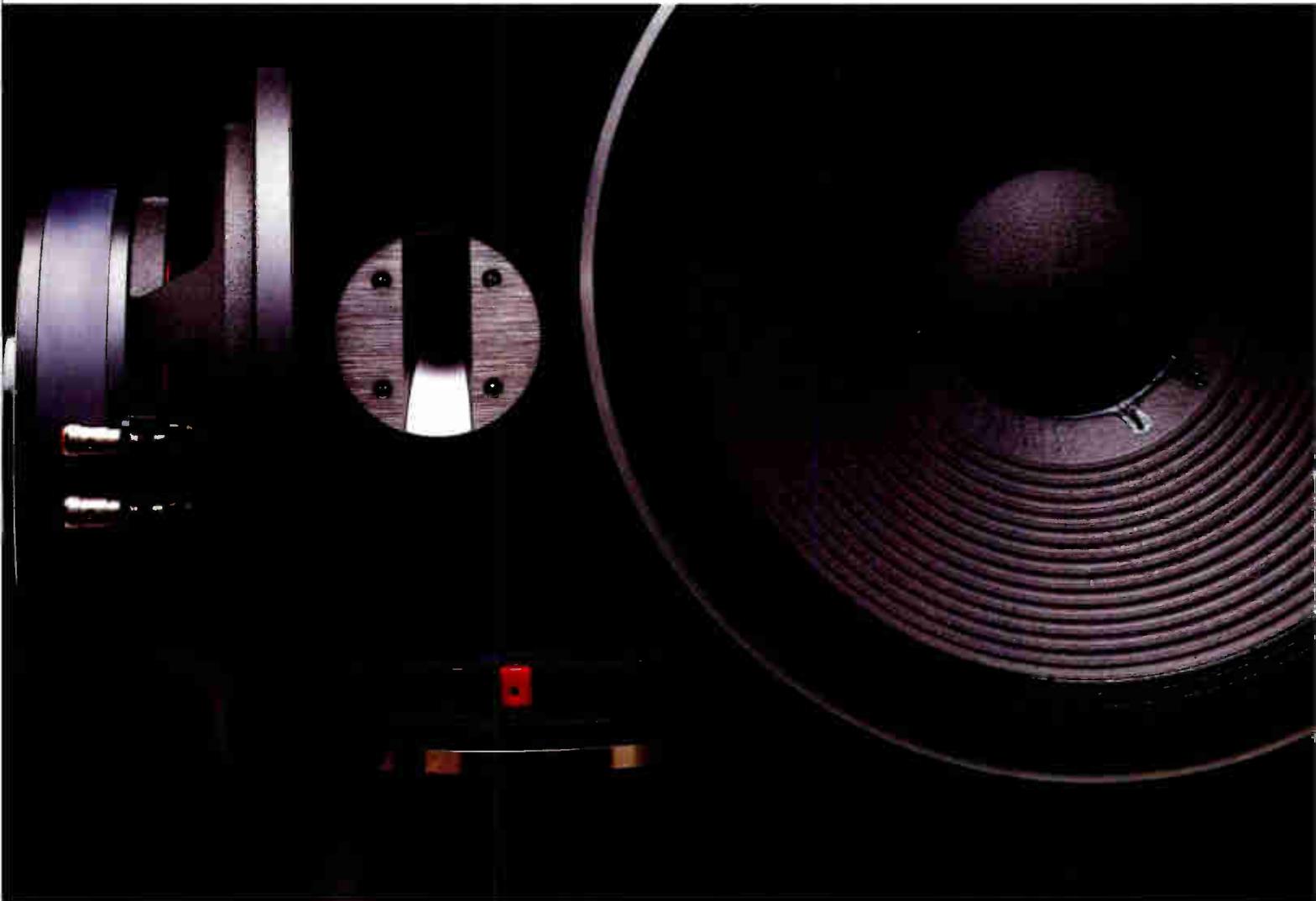
As with Klipsch, Bose recognized the importance of ongoing research within the company, and the necessity of having very tight quality control over materials and processes (Klipsch has never published plans for his horn design because he believes that people would make them badly and then blame his design). Although much of Bose Corporation's early funding came

from defense-related contracts, in 1968 Bose kept his promise to the listening public by introducing the Bose 901, a speaker system that encompassed several radical approaches to loudspeaker design. The 901 was small, only about two cubic feet, and had an unusual pentagonal shape, with one 4½" speaker on the flat front face of the cabinet, and four of the same speakers on each of the two angled, rear faces. Furthermore, the 901 was accompanied by a small electronics unit. Bose's research had indicated that one of the reasons conventional speaker designs did not sound pleasing in the home was that the mid and high frequency portions of the sound were delivered directly from the speaker to the listener, whereas in a live music situation, most of that information was reflected off of walls and ceilings before reaching the listener, thus adding the natural ambience that makes live music warm and pleasant to listen to. Bose's speaker delivered almost all of its sound out of the rear faces, which were intended to be placed near one of these boundary surfaces, so that the sound would bounce around the room before reaching the listener. The speaker in the front of the cabinet delivered the all-important direct sound, essential to localization and intelligibility. This approach was termed Direct/Reflecting.

The 901 also introduced the concept of the full-range driver. Paul McKinley, of the Bose Corporation describes the philosophy: "In the course of designing any loudspeaker, the designer has a number of parameters that he has to deal with. They include such things as frequency response—you want a relatively flat spectrum—but they also include things like distortion, power handling, reliability, overall efficiency or total sound pressure capability. This is not to be confused with power handling because thermally you could design a loudspeaker that could take a thousand watts, but mechanically maybe it could only take a hundred watts, due to excursion limitations. You put all these into the pot and it becomes a tremendous orthogonal problem.

"What we found was that if you take the constraints of frequency response off the transducer designer, and let him maximize the other performance parameters, such as power handling, reliability and efficiency, there's a big win there. Instead of using conventional woofer/midrange/tweeter and crossover networks, we instead opted for letting the transducer designer optimize the loudspeaker itself to be a very, very reliable device, and correcting whatever frequency anomalies it may exhibit with an active electronic equalizer. This is a much more accurate and precise way to do it, not only immediately because you can electronical-

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ly create an equalization curve which is very precise and very repeatable, but long term as well. Because, if you're dealing with, say, a woofer/tweeter combination with crossover components, you're typically dealing with large value capacitors, and they age with time. They have to handle high amounts of current because the load impedance of the drivers is fairly low, and it's just kind of a brutal environment for a capacitor. They also waste energy because some amount of energy has to be dissipated in the crossover, as opposed to directed to the drivers. That's the basic philosophy behind full-range drivers; we simply believe it's a better way to do things."

The concepts of Direct/Reflecting and full-range drivers are found throughout the Bose product line, although every product does not embrace both concepts. Because the full-range driver concept is almost unique to Bose, much work has gone into the design and construction of the drivers that are used. The choice of 4½" for the driver size is based on the tradeoff of the driver's ability to move quickly enough that it can be equalized for flat high frequency response, with the driver's surface area and excursion capability which determine its ability to reproduce low frequencies. Furthermore, the drivers are optimized for their particular function: the 4½" drivers used in Bose professional products employing the full-range driver idea is not at all the same as the driver in the 901, and neither is the same as the drivers originally used in those products, improvements having been made to accommodate research developments and new materials.

In fact, Bose professional products were created, in part, because the 901 had become so popular that they were commonly found being used in small and medium sized sound reinforcement systems with the rear faces aimed forward. If Bose speakers were going to be used in sound reinforcement situations, reasoned the Bose engineering team, then they should be designed for the job. After the requisite research, the result was the 802 Articulated Array loudspeaker system. Although the 802 (now 802 Series II) resembled a backwards 901, it was in fact a very different animal. The 802 uses eight full-range drivers on two angled faces, and has matched electronics—the 802-C System Controller—but it is not a Direct/Reflecting speaker because its job is not to create ambience as in a living room environment, but to reinforce a sound source in a space which will provide its own ambience. The cabinet is ported by two tuned air columns, and contains several chambers to load the drivers, in addition to being in a road-worthy package which allows stacking or hanging in virtually any way imaginable.

Further considerations given to the task of sound reinforcement include greater long-term power handling than the 901, and the Articulated Array, which McKinley explains: "The Articulated Array has to do with the acoustics of what happens when you put multiple identical drivers into an acoustic array. If you simply take a bunch of 4½" drivers and hold them to a flat plane, they interact in some very strange ways, and if you look at a polar plot you can get some very strange effects. What the Articulated Array does is angle the drivers away from each other slightly so that you get a very smooth polar plot with fairly broad, even dispersion."

In order to gain some of the power handling, a bit of the deep bass was sacrificed, and the bass is a bit limited in maximum output because of the limited number of small drivers in each cabinet. For many situations, the 802's bass response is quite adequate, but the rise of disco and synthesizers created demands for very deep bass at very high sound pressure levels. This prompted the creation of the 302 Tandem-Tuned bass system as an adjunct to the 802. To build the 302, Bose engineers had to look at the problems of high level, low frequency reinforcement and try to improve on current designs. Typically, one or more drivers are placed in a box, with either a horn loading scheme and/or some sort of port to provide loading to the rear of the speaker, while the front radiates more or less directly. At the port resonance, very little energy is needed from the speaker to excite the air in the cabinet, but above or below it, it is of little help. Going below the port resonance there is no loading on the rear of the speaker, and unfavorable conditions may force the speaker into excessive, possibly self-destructive excursion. Above, the speaker takes over the work, and less excursion is needed as the frequency increases, but there comes a point where the port is out of phase with the speaker, and the speaker must provide extra energy to overcome the port's effect.

Bose engineers once again found a unique answer to the problem. The 12" driver was rotated 90 degrees away from the front of the cabinet so that it faces the right side, and the rear of the speaker was loaded with a port tuned to 55 Hz. It was found that the out-of-phase point was about an octave above that, so rather than compensating the cabinet electronically and forcing the speaker to work harder, a second ported chamber was added in front of the speaker and tuned to 110 Hz, thus providing acoustic compensation. Each 302 cabinet contains two of these Tandem-Tuned systems, and the result is roof-raising levels of bass out of a cabinet which is only about seven cubic feet. The 802-C System Controller looks at how its out-

puts are connected (full-range 802s, passively crossed-over 802s and 302s, or bi-amplified) and automatically selects appropriate equalization and LED display.

John Meyer has been engaged, for the last fifteen years or so, in an ongoing quest to make "loud music" no longer a dirty expression by making the speaker system and the room cleaner. An early manifestation of Meyer's unconventional approach to speakers was a system employing a huge horn known as the Glyph, about which Stewart Brand wrote in the *Last Whole Earth Catalog*, "The first loud sound I've heard that didn't make me want to run." The first real step toward his present systems, however, came while he was working with San Francisco's Harry McCune Sound.

"In the early '70s, with the first systems I built at McCune's, we didn't know where the problem was," says Meyer. "We didn't know if it was the hall, or the variation in speakers, or just the different types of music that made it so difficult to have successful concerts from the artist's point of view. So the first project was to build a consistent system that we could put together and use night after night that was preset and pre-done. This was the beginning of a long experiment with fixed systems, which meant that you couldn't change the crossover; and all the EQ, or any change, had to be done from the mixing console or a change of microphone or something of that order."

This was the genesis of the JM3 system, which was a triamped, horn-loaded system with a fixed crossover; Meyer's first usage of electronics matched to the speaker, a concept that he, like Bose, embraces even more firmly now. But even once the JM3 was tested and found to be of the desired consistency, there were still problems, obviously from the room. Meyer continues: "We took data for about two years as we did various types of indoor and outdoor concerts, and came to the conclusion that the room was an independent factor; the speakers could be set the same and certain types of characteristics seemed to come up all the time. This obviously meant that we were going to have to develop a tool to look at what the room response was going to be with people actually in the room, because we could see that an empty room changed quite a bit sonically as it became a full room. There's very little data on full halls because it annoys the audience to try to run any test source." We tried different strategies: in 1973 we developed impulses and signal averaging, which means that you can put out a small click and look at it many times over using a computer.

Meyer left McCune with these questions in his mind, and spent a year in an acoustics laboratory in Switzerland

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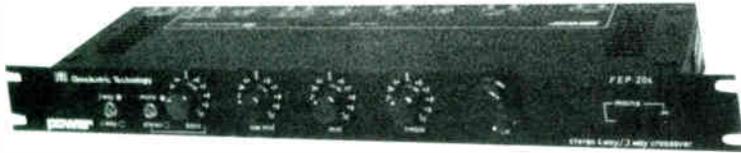
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working with a computer analysis system and fabricating a better loudspeaker. He took this knowledge and produced the John Meyer ACD studio monitor, a quite expensive system which came complete with subwoofer, matched electronics, and a state-of-the-art power amplifier. One problem with the ACDs was that each speaker was so matched to its electronics that all repairs had to be sent back to Meyer (and still are) in order to maintain the matching of drivers and electronics. After returning to the U.S., Meyer Sound Laboratories, Inc. (MSLI) was formed to make sound reinforcement systems that were a logical evolution from the JM3. To avoid the trap of the ACDs, Meyer began to shift weight onto writing tight specifications for the drivers and finding manufacturers willing to try to work with him on them, and then enforcing them with rigorous 100% incoming materials testing.

"For the MSL3s [Meyer's large scale sound reinforcement speaker system] and the UPA1s [his smaller sound reinforcement system, current model is the UPA1a], a part had to meet a certain specification before it went into the product, and the electronics had to meet a certain specification so that you can change any electronics or any driver and keep the same characteristics," Meyer explains. "We do incoming testing on *everything*, any drivers we get we test to a very tight spec. Now the manufacturers are doing some of the pre-testing themselves; we're writing a minimum distortion spec because they're starting to get more interested in selection."

All of MSLI's systems, including subwoofers and slant stage monitors, operate with an electronics unit which is matched to the design and provides not just frequency correction, but also crossover (except the 833 Studio Monitor which is passively crossed over), phase correction, and a speaker protection circuit which monitors the signal at the speaker terminals of the power amplifier for distortion and, if distortion is detected, reduces the input to the amplifier accordingly. Meyer's reasoning is similar to Bose's:

"It's really a very simple concept; instead of trying to make the woofer flat, we try to make the woofer consistent. We'll make it flat with electronics. What is the best way to make this woofer? We don't care if it has 20 dB up at 400 Hz, if it's that way every time. Artificially weighting the cone to make it have a flatter response just causes you to lose power. There are things that we can't control very well: polar patterns can be modified to some degree, but distortion you can't do anything about without getting into very complex servo systems, and even the best servo systems can only drop the distortion by ten times. You don't want to start with 10% to bring

it down to 1% when you could get it to 1% directly. It's a simpler system and, in PA, simplicity is important."

Meyer's speakers were intended to meet the needs of clients such as the Grateful Dead, Jefferson Starship, Journey, and Rush, who play huge spaces and feed the speakers equally huge amounts of amplifier power to get the very high sound pressure levels of a rock concert. As it is said around MSLI, "They can go balls to the wall 24 hours a day." In order to achieve these levels, speakers are typically stacked, but with box-like speakers a stack means that the drivers are physically separated from each other, leading to aberrations and less than maximal coupling. Meyer designed his speakers to fit into large arrays, with each speaker having a predictable effect on the dispersion of the system, and the drivers in close proximity to each other to insure proper coupling and to act like a single point source, thus maintaining time coherency.

The result is so clean and clear that Meyer speakers are being employed in many sound reinforcement situations that have nothing to do with rock and roll, such as the delicate task of reinforcing opera star Luciano Pavarotti, or the permanently installed system at the Oakland Coliseum. Meyer also produces stage monitor systems using the same principles, and these have provoked awestruck loyalty from almost everyone who has tried them. In 1983, Meyer's accumulated experience led to the introduction of the 833 Studio Monitor, a system which contains two speakers and, of course, matched electronics, but no power amp. Why? "People are in love with their power amps," laments Meyer, "it's impossible to break that." So instead, he published an article giving recommendations for selecting power amps.

Creating a consistent, flat system was only half the battle, however. The real difficulty still lay in trying to correct for the room's anomalies. In Meyer's case, most of the rooms involved were more likely designed for hockey than for music, and the elevated levels often provoked an unpleasant boominess which destroyed the speaker's clarity. Recently, Meyer achieved a breakthrough in understanding room phenomena. Using the latest in computer measurement equipment he has developed a technique which he calls Source Independent Measurement (SIM).

"Everybody's quest is to use music itself as the test source, but it has taken up to now to come up with the computer technology to use music itself as the reference signal, rather than any other other types of signals that have been used—impulses, noise, sine wave sweeps, or what have you—and to verify it in concert situations. Two groups have been very cooperative, Rush and the



The photo shows a 15 inch bass driver in a one cubic foot (28 liter) enclosure, a 6 inch bass driver in a one-quarter cubic foot (8 liter) enclosure tuned for use with the ELF™ System technology. Also shown are a professional version of the ELF electronics, and the ELF electronics in module and integrated circuit formats. The 15 inch system can produce 94 dB SPL at one meter from 16 to 150 Hz while the 6 inch system can produce the same frequency range at 82 dB SPL or 32 to 150 Hz at 92 dB SPL.

Grateful Dead, in letting us at times run some impulses right when the crowd was coming in, to verify the responses we were getting from the music, so we could run both types of tests in the room with people actually in it. This has been very helpful in verifying the results of SIM. Now we can actually establish characteristics in the occupied room to show evaluations and performances of systems."

Essentially, SIM works like this: a place in the signal chain, typically the output of the mixing console, is designated as the reference signal, and fed through a digital delay into the reference input of a dual-channel FFT (Fast Fourier Transform) analyzer. A calibrated laboratory microphone feeds the measurement input of the analyzer, and the delay is adjusted to compensate for the propagation delay from the speakers to the microphone. Music is put through the system and data are compared. With a little smoothing to compensate for spurious effects like long term reverb build-up, a good curve for the room response is yielded. But that's not all.

"One of the most exciting things that came out of this project, and we were wondering if it was possible, is to be able to correct for these room problems," Meyer says. "It's one thing to be able to measure them and say, 'Here they are,' but how could you correct for them? It always appeared to be one of these logic problems: how could you correct for something that appeared later in time? Your initial signal coming from the speaker hits the person, and the echo, obviously, takes longer and comes back and hits the person later. How can you put something in series with the speaker to get rid of this later phenomenon? It looked impossible, and the solution wasn't at all obvious. It took years of talking to people about it to realize that there are techniques called Echo Suppression that could work in this case. In other words, you could start another signal in the speaker that would meet the echo signal and cancel it. Obviously, a tricky type of maneuver here."

Indeed, Meyer had to carefully evaluate the technique to determine how effective it was, if it could be used at all. The idea that he operates on is to treat the room response, with all the ripples and anomalies created by reflections, as a complex filter, and to provide complementary correction signals for both frequency and phase. The technique works on frequencies up to a few kilohertz; Meyer recommends using absorptive materials to treat high frequency reflections because of the immense number of filters needed to correct the whole spectrum. Testing this technique with Rush and the Dead produced marked improvements in the clarity of the sound, even in venues renowned for their boominess or generally poor acoustics.

To implement this concept fully, a tool to provide the correction signals (inserted just after the reference point in the system) was needed. "We developed our own parametric equalizer, the CP10 especially for this purpose. If you take one and put it in the peak mode, and you take another and put it in the dip mode and the 'Q's and other settings the same, there will be no time delay through the unit other than the propagation delay of the op amps. It will be in the microseconds, no accumulated delay. I've shown this to some of the PhDs at Stanford and they go, 'That's impossible. That can't be because if filters create delay, that would imply that the next filter would create lead,' and we know that lead is going to be a real touchy issue. It was Dr. Julius Smith that came up with an explanation called 'deconvolution.' We realized that this thing was creating a complex conjugate in the time domain. In an acoustical situation the phase response doesn't just get better, it goes back to zero—the delay is being subtracted. There isn't any law of physics being broken here, it's just that it was something that wasn't obvious. No one suspected that you could deal with this in the time domain. We've been too long thinking of the frequency domain and the phase domain as separate entities and sometimes forget that they always coexist."

Now that Meyer has created a consistent, coherent speaker system, and a means of measuring and correcting for room problems, he is armed with the tools to redefine concert sound and let music fans really hear what the artist is creating.

Other environments in which a sound engineer is charged with making the sound good, such as in a studio, share the problems of room response and time smear, along with the need for a loudspeaker which will deliver the unvarnished truth. The consumer at home, on the other hand, does not need a truly accurate loudspeaker, since the objective is for the speaker to provide the consumer with enjoyable sound for source material over which (s)he has no control. This does not mean that it is easier designing consumer speakers, it just means that accuracy is not usually a primary, or even desirable design criterion. Price and size are typically higher priorities. This very real distinction in approaches is another illustration of the application defining the design, an illustration which Ed Long, with feet planted firmly in both the consumer and monitoring camps, paints vividly.

"I learned early on that there's a big difference between monitors and consumer loudspeakers," he says. The distinction seems to be lost on some people; some people seem to pick monitors which 'sound best'. A recording engineer or a broadcast engineer isn't sitting

there to be subjectively pleased. He'd like to be, but he's got control over whether he is or not. As a consequence, he needs to have everything under control; he needs to have his tape machines aligned, he needs to know that the console isn't messed up, that there aren't noisy ICs in it or that the EQ pots aren't all going haywire. If he's got control over it, he can do something, but if he's trying to put EQ on something and the equalizer isn't working, he's in big trouble. The same is true of the monitors. If the monitors are not precision calibrated acoustical transducers that are made to be as clear and precise as they can be, then he's got to fight that.

"I didn't start out to get into building monitors, and I still design consumer equipment. The difference, though, is that when you know how to design a successful consumer loudspeaker, what you do is make the loudspeaker reproduce the current type of program material—radio, records, tapes, and what have you—very pleasantly, and to try to have it reproduce the best of these kinds of program materials with pretty good sound and yet not allow the poorer quality ones to come through and show how really bad they are. And it's a trick. You try to make the thing come through with as much clarity as you can, but always guided by certain psychoacoustic knowledge that you use when you design loudspeakers which isn't really in books. It isn't published; it's in another area. I had the fortune to have some training in psychoacoustics, and look at it the way that a psychoacoustician looks at it, rather than just an engineer. I've always tried to apply that knowledge that I picked up then and it seems to work. When you're designing a monitor, you don't want any of that at all; you don't want any of the obscurity, you want to just bring that sound right through and let it be exactly the way it's supposed to be on tape."

Like Klipsch and Bose, Long speaks from . . . well, uh, Long experience, having produced award-winning speakers as far back as the early '60s, but, unlike Klipsch and Bose, rather than forming a company to mass produce and market his designs, he has chosen the route of independent consulting. What this has meant is that Long has designed speakers, audio, or RF products for (or in collaboration with) a wide variety of firms ranging from GTE/Sylvania and General Dynamics to Ampex and UREI. Long has synthesized the knowledge gained from this broad background into a perspective which is iconoclastic and fervently opinionated, but never solemn or contentious.

This is well illustrated by Long's development of Time Align® techniques in the mid-'70s, which made his

name a household word in recording studios. Although the importance of time delay between drivers in a multiple array loudspeaker system had been recognized since shortly after they were introduced, a technique for analyzing and correcting for this phenomenon had not been clearly set out before Long's 1976 paper on the Time Align® technique. Time Align is a registered service trademark which he licenses to various manufacturers. Many in the industry found a good deal of sense in the idea of aligning drivers in a multi-way system to eliminate time delay between them, thus preserving the coherence of transient waveforms, but others disagreed, often vehemently. Some still do: both Klipsch and McKinley expressed reservations about the validity and importance of this concept.

Long accepts this criticism with a shrug: "If people say, 'I don't hear anything,' I don't disbelieve them. I say, 'Fine, you probably don't.' I said at an Audio Engineering Society meeting one time, 'If you don't hear the effect of Time Align we aren't going to make you turn in your AES cards, snip the buttons off your shirt, and tear your epaulets off with the drums rolling in the background.' If you don't hear it, that's cool, but don't say that everybody else can't hear it. Give a break to the people who can hear it."

In 1976, Time Align® was a concept, a paper, and some prototype speaker designs, but it was an idea whose time soon came. Shortly after presenting his paper to the Spring 1976 AES convention, Long was approached by Jim Cunningham, an associate from earlier work in Chicago on four channel sound. Cunningham worked at UREI Electronics, which was headed by Bill Putnam, another transplanted Chicagoan, and he soon sparked Putnam's interest in the idea. Long entered into a collaboration with UREI on a design, and both contributed their ideas. The design was based around the industry's work-horse speaker, the Altec 604 coaxial. Putnam lengthened the horn, lowering its cutoff and thus creating greater latitude in the crossover design, which was fine with Long. But he accepted some of Long's ideas cautiously, being understandably nervous about a major new project based on a commercially unproven design.

"They weren't sure about some things," recalls Long. "For instance, I ran with a ported system on the 813 that was different than what anybody else also did at that time. Bill Putnam was against the port; he'd never heard a good one and he was pretty convinced. I considered it an achievement that I told him I could do it and he believed me. He was pretty adamant about stuff, not a push-around guy. He really had good, strong feelings

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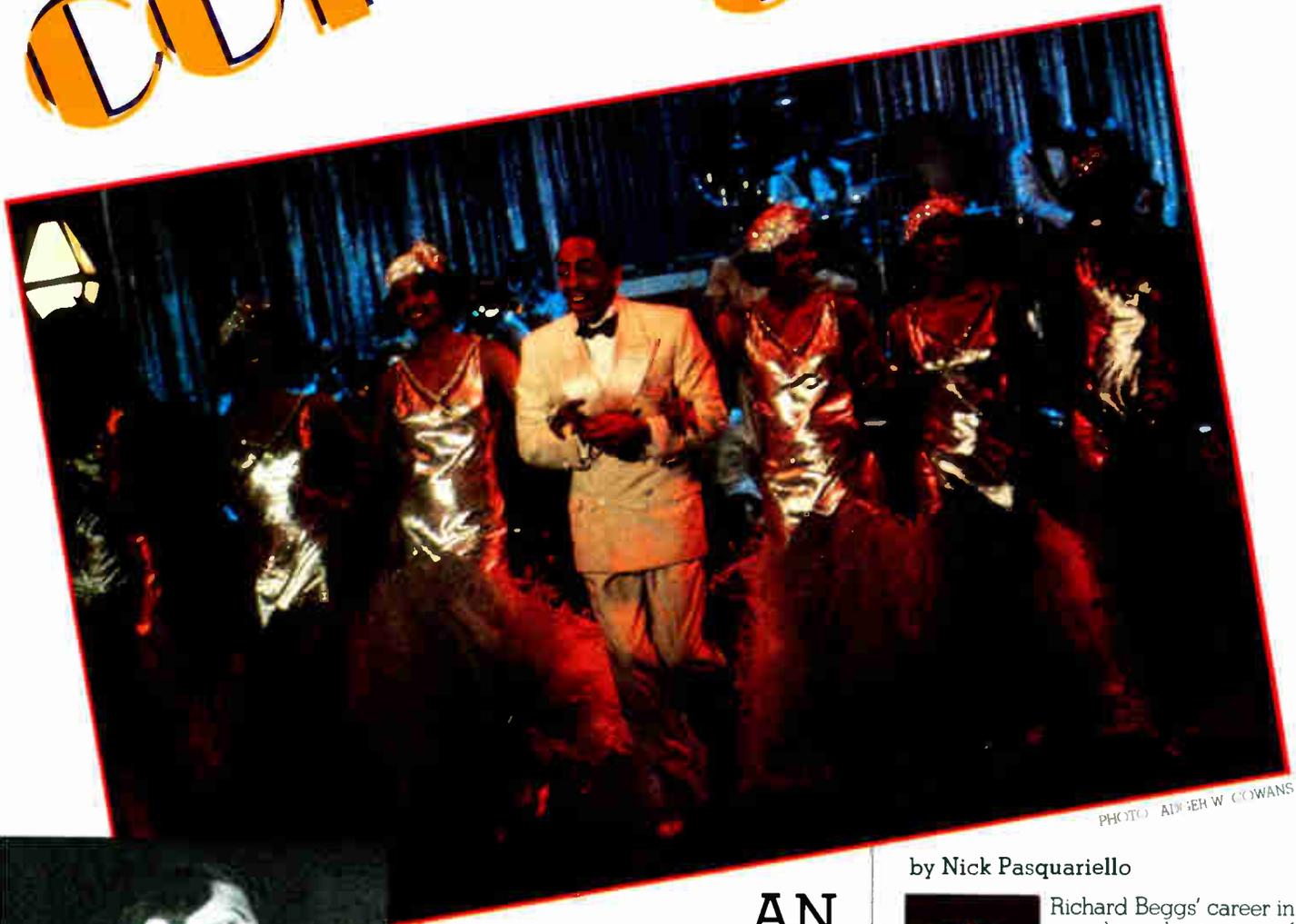


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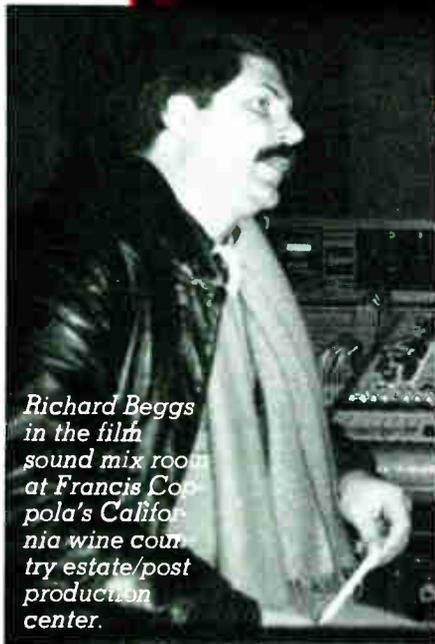


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Richard Beggs in the film sound mix room at Francis Coppola's California wine country estate/post production center.

AN INTERVIEW WITH FRANCIS COPPOLA'S SOUND DESIGNER RICHARD BEGGS

by Nick Pasquariello



Richard Beggs' career in sound is a classic story of being in the right place at the right time. During the 1960s, San Francisco was a mecca for nascent rock and roll musicians thirsty for stardom. Beggs saw an opportunity to develop an early fascination with sound into a potential business. And so, at virtually the amateur level he began recording demo reels for budding rock bands. This was a subsistence level occupation, but as Beggs' skills (and those of the bands he worked for) improved, his income increased. In the late '70s, Beggs' studio occupied space in Francis Coppola's post-production building. Picture editing and sound mixing on *Apocalypse Now* were commencing there, and Beggs was hired to work as part of this team.

Since the early 1980s, Richard Beggs has been Sound Designer on all of Francis Coppola's feature films, usually doubling as re-recording mixer. He also holds the distinction of having worked with Coppola longer than any current member of the Zoetrope filmmaking team. In addition, he has been re-recording mixer on seven other more conventional theatrical features with other directors (see list below). As this article goes to press, Beggs begins prepping the sound design and mixing of Coppola's first cable television show: *Rip Van Winkle* for HBO's *Faerie Tale Theater*. This marks Beggs' first assignment using only video (no film) sound materials; characteristic of a craftsman always open to exploring new technological territory.

As part of the Coppola/Zoetrope post-production team, Beggs helped implement a number of Coppola innovations in the use of feature film sound production. These include: use of two-inch 24 track audio technology in the sound mixing process and an automated sound mixing board. Both innovations were introduced in 1977 on *Apocalypse Now*.

The Coppola/Zoetrope team is known in the film industry for being in-



straight about the Coppola team's efforts to modernize an industry all too prone to technological lethargy.

What follows are Richard Beggs' film sound credits. Dates indicate the year the picture was released in the U.S.; asterisks (*) mark pictures directed by Francis Coppola.

*Apocalypse Now** (1979) (re-recording mixer and synthesist, Academy Award for the former credit); *No Nukes* (1979) (re-recording mixer); *Zulu Dawn* (1979) (re-recording mixer); *The Island* (1980) (re-recording mixer); *One from the Heart** (1981) (sound designer and supervising re-recording mixer); *The Outsiders** (1983) (sound designer and supervising re-recording mixer); *D.C. Cab* (1983) (re-recording mixer); *Mike's Murder* (1983) (re-recording mixer); *Rumblefish** (1983) (sound designer and re-recording mixer); *Repo Man* (1984) (re-recording mixer); *Ghostbusters* (1984) (sound designer); *Cotton Club** (1984) (sound designer and supervising re-recording mixer).

Mix: Why didn't the credit "sound designer" exist before (long time Coppola associate) Walter Murch virtually single handedly invented it?

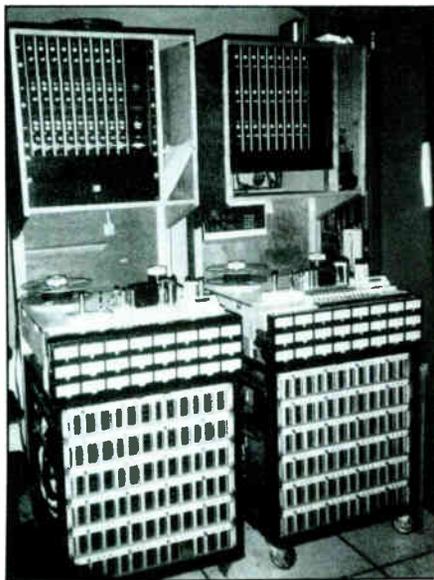
Beggs: Movie making has always been compartmentalized. Movie making is divided into all these little fiefdoms or kingdoms: there's the camera department, there's the costume, there's the art department, there's the production recordist, there's the post-production mixer. And all of these people have their own area of expertise and their own order of importances and their own idea of how they relate to the picture. It's amazing that all the people get together and agree to get anything done. Even in the worst movies—the worst movie is a miracle.

Sound and picture and music have been traditionally very separate little

kingdoms, jealously guarded and somewhat autonomous, until they get to the mixing stage where, traditionally, the composer might show up, the picture editor shows up. All of these people don't necessarily have the same idea about what's going to happen.

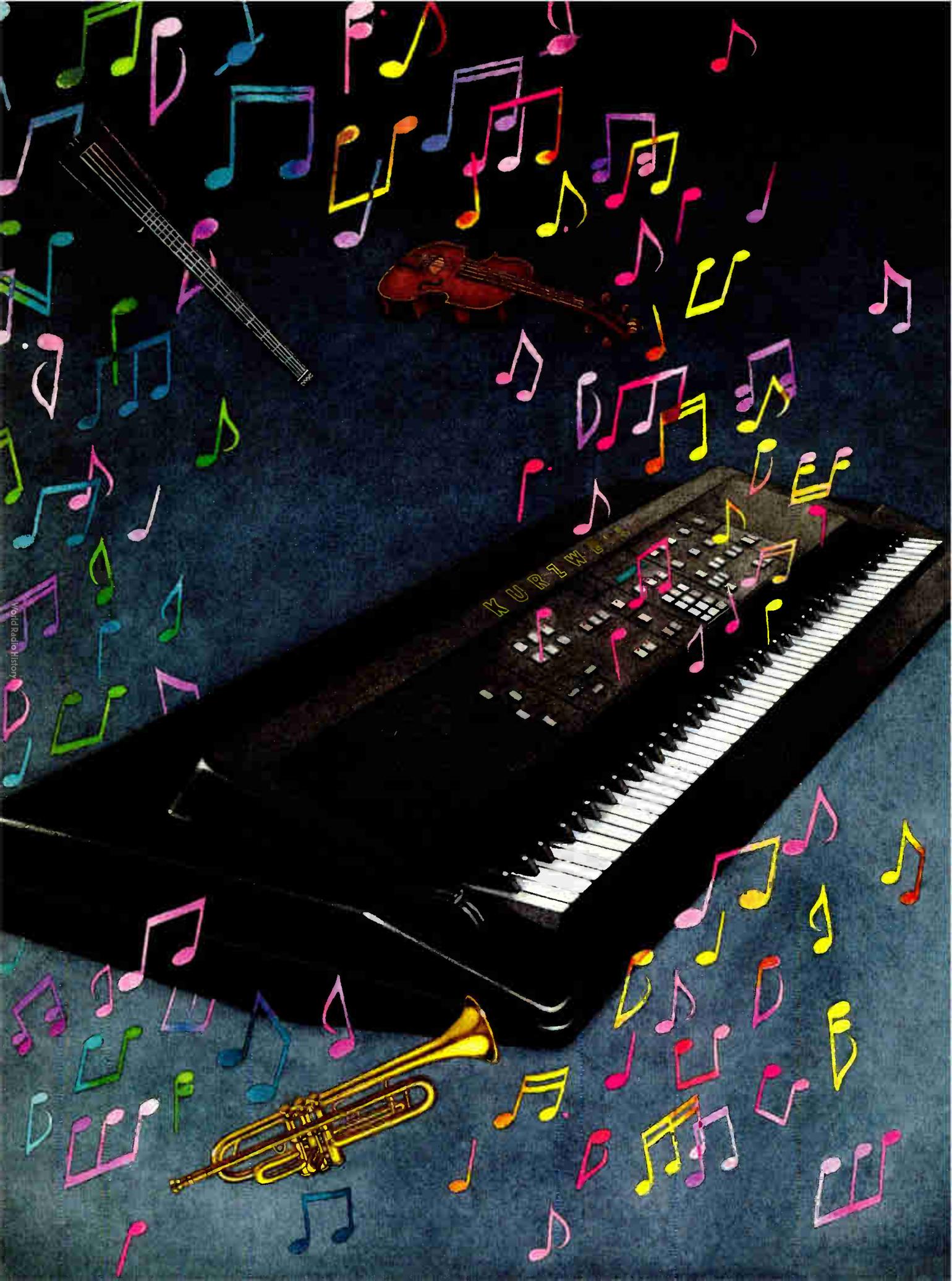
Traditionally, music and sound effects have been a kind of loyal opposition. The composer frequently takes the position that: "My music is being buried in sound effects." The sound effects editor says: "In this scene the music is taking all of the action. What is the point of my cutting all of this stuff if nobody's going to hear it?" And the mixer is sitting there listening to these two people trying to mediate. The director, if he has the presence of mind, will say what he wants. Everybody has to go along with that.

Well, the sound design idea is that there is a person who, in addition to balancing the three aspects of the sound track—dialogue, music and effects—has an overall view and understanding of the picture and the director's intentions. And that person is a creative collaborator in the filmmaking process. The sound designer works to integrate these various



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novative and for their willingness to take risks, but general recognition of their contributions to making the job of the filmmaker an easier, less costly one, has been slow to come. Indeed, a recent editorial piece in the industry bible, *Variety*, compared Coppola to Lee De Forest (inventor of television) who never received recognition for his contributions to communications technology nor society at large. It would be nice to think that this interview might help set the record



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elements of the soundtrack before they get to the dubbing stage.

What frequently happens is that the composer never talks to the sound effects people, the effects people never ask the composer what he has in mind. There

beyond making sure that certain fundamental things sound right—whether the music and dialogue are at the right level in relation to each other and the effects don't hide the dialogue. Those are the basic considerations most directors have.

technical quality control on any picture?

Beggs: On any picture a mixer does that. A mixer can say, "This is distorted, I'd like another door slam." But when you get into the area of whether or not you even want a door slam... Or maybe instead of having a literal door you might want the door of a vault closing for artistic reasons because it might sound more interesting to you. Those are creative decisions and those aren't normally the mixer's purview. But under Francis, I can make those decisions and experiment with the track.

Usually on a picture you have the supervising sound effects editor; he more or less picks and supervises the effects. The editors cut them at his behest, the mixer mixes them, and the director

Also integral to the Coppola operation are the 6 track 35mm film dubbers, located one floor above many oak barrels of gently aging Cabernet (not pictured).

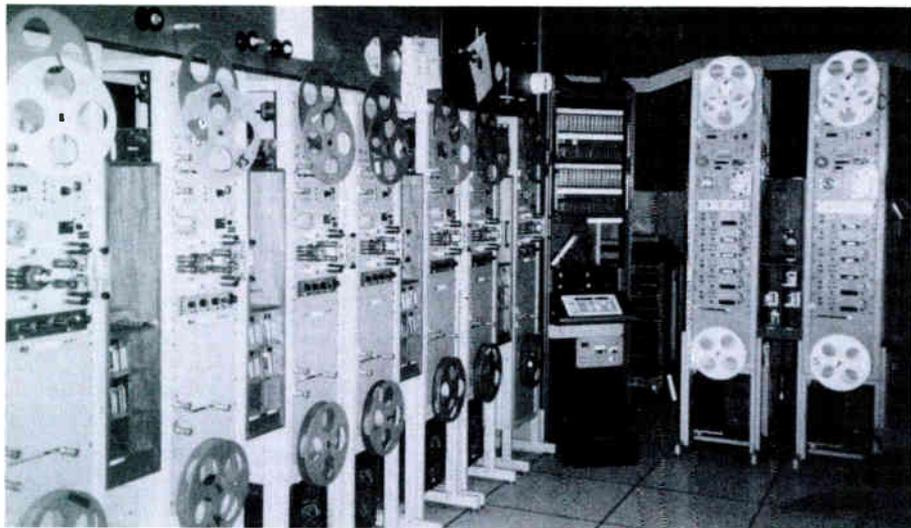


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are eight or nine people on a movie cutting a gigantic sound effects scene. The composer has scored a gigantic piece of music for 110 musicians. When you get on the sound mixing stage you discover you can't use both of them. What do you do? Theoretically, the sound designer is there to avoid or at least mitigate this situation by seeing ahead and working around it.

He knows by talking to the composer and the director that, for example, in this scene it makes more sense for the music to carry it. So, then he goes and talks to the sound effects editor and says: "In this scene we're going to play it like this. So, don't cut the sound so heavy, etc." He develops or controls the concept of the track and integrates it with the picture.

Mix: Can you give me some examples of creative interaction between you and Coppola on *Cotton Club*?

Beggs: He basically leaves me alone. I pretty much work by myself. We talk initially about some directions or concepts or feeling and then I come up with a group of ideas and rough them in. We'll have a screening, he'll make a few notes and say, "Yes, no, maybe." I will work on that information. Sometimes, we will disagree but we invariably resolve the problem by mutual agreement.

Mix: Has that been the way it's been on all of your collaborations?

Beggs: Basically, all of my pictures with him have been that way to one degree or another.

Other directors aren't accustomed to or don't want to relinquish that much control or don't have that much interest

Francis has a real interest in sound as a partner in the image and wants it to work on different levels and do things.

Mix: How does that difference in attitude on the part of Coppola influence the way you work? For example, are you less creative on a picture like *Repo Man*?

Beggs: Well, yes. On those kinds of pictures I function more as a craftsman and exercise taste but without the autonomy I'm given on Francis' pictures. On *D.C. Cab* there was a music cue that didn't work and I said, "Why don't we use part of that cue in the other reel, instead of using it here?" The director said, "OK." But this was definitely an exception.

Basically, you mix what's put in front of you. I don't control or choose the effects. I may make suggestions but that is the extent of my involvement. I don't say: "This is unacceptable, do it again." Basically, a mixer in Hollywood is like a service: you go to a dubbing stage, you bring all your material and these guys just do what you tell them to do.

Mix: You wouldn't send a sound effects editor down to re-record material?

Beggs: Well, you might ask him, "Could we get something better?" It would be a technical decision. Artistic decisions are usually the prerogative of the director or the editor in those situations.

Mix: But with Coppola, is it your capacity?

Beggs: Yes. With Francis I'm basically the sound director, sound designer. I'm more or less responsible for the soundtrack and everything you hear in it, subject to Francis' approval.

Mix: Don't you exercise a good deal of

oversees the whole proposition.

My concept of the sound designer—how I prefer to work—is that I work closely with or function as a supervising sound editor and as a mixer. I prepare and cut some of my own effects. I build my own materials for special sequences that I want to be directly responsible for creating. I work closely with the composer so our work is integrated. I make no distinction between effects and music. So what happens—and why Hollywood is so weird—is I will cross three or four union categories.

Mix: What was your greatest challenge while working on *Cotton Club*?

Beggs: The fundamental mixer problem on *Cotton Club* was the music/dialogue issue; how to play the club sequences successfully. We were faced with a difficult problem because the actors didn't loop their lines as if they were in a noisy environment.

Mix: Is that because of a mistake in shooting?

Beggs: No. It's because of extremely complicated production techniques. It's a trade off between artistic intent, technical requirements and limitations, and good craftsmanship.

When the lines were originally performed, the background sounds [band, crowds, etc.] were relatively low, not at all what you would expect in a loud night club so the actors tended not to project. The loops were performed similarly. Francis was also striving for a certain quality of performance. Performance is the primary goal. Technical or craft issues fall into place to support the performance.

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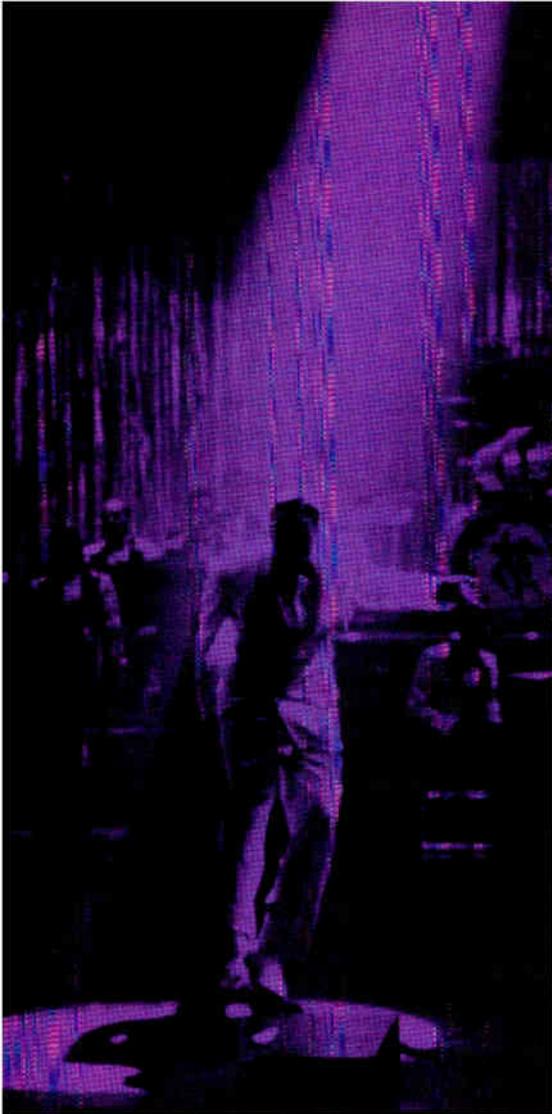


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Gregory Hines as Sandman Williams in a cappella tap in the *Cotton Club*.

So, how can you have crowds and blaring music at peak level and still have this dialogue remain intelligible? It's very difficult. So, the actors act in an environment that will be quite different on the screen. You would have to say to them: "OK, you have to speak loudly because you're in a loud club." It's hard to get them to do it and be natural so it's let go to be solved later in post.

It's hard to explain. But when it's costing \$75,000 a day just in extras it's hard to ask somebody: "Could you do a take where it looks like you're talking a little louder." Nobody wants to hear about it. Ninety-nine percent of this movie is looped. Almost everything you hear with the exception of three or four scenes is looped.

Mix: Well, doesn't that solve the problem you were talking about the background sound in the nightclub scenes?

Beggs: No, it doesn't because actors duplicate their original performance unless Francis wants the performance to change. This was the big problem in

Rumblefish. Michael Rourke spoke in a virtual whisper, *soto voce*, almost all the time even if you were at the other end of the block.

Cotton Club's problems were similar, if not so severe. Whispers and *soto voce* are always a problem especially in loud environments. People speak in your ear or very close if they want to communicate this way. You can't do that in the theater. You have to lower the background or make the whisper very loud. Loudness doesn't help that much though. *Soto voce* and whispers are all bottom and top. There's no middle, no middle range to grab and punch through. The whisper can be at peak modulation, but imbedded in a loud background it cannot be heard. Whereas a normal voice at moderate level can be easily distinguished. Loudness does not equal intelligibility.

The looping on *Cotton Club* was pretty good. We didn't have the problems nearly that we had on *Rumblefish*, but the *soto voce* performance is still there and you can only distort the performance so far in terms of the audience's credibility. They have to hear the dialogue so loud and still have it be natural. Then you say: "Now we have to pull the music back. But where do we lose the feeling of the scene that they're in? How important is that compared to the strain the audience experiences attempting to follow the dialogue?"

Looping takes care of a lot of problems in terms of being able to control acoustical relationships. If you used production sound only, you wouldn't have any choice, you'd have to take what you've got. In a musical, that's next to impossible.

Mix: *Cotton Club* is a musical by the very fact that more than 50% of its screen time is dominated by musical action. Taking that as a given, do you know what was the conceptual framework which governed how *Cotton Club* was cut?

Beggs: There was much more music in it at one time; many more numbers. And one of the big problems editorially with the picture was balancing the desire to have as much music in these *Cotton Club* numbers as possible against the need to have a story line or a plot line that would keep the audience involved.

My feeling is that the problem of blending the music and the drama was very successfully solved: integrating the musical aspect into the story without having that "Here-is-a-number" feeling. The scene that comes closest to being a number is the hoofers club sequence with all the old guys. It's one of the favorite scenes and it's there because it's so lovable and it builds atmosphere. It's not necessary for the plot. It's not exposition.

All of the other numbers are rationalized by the plot.

Mix: I would like to get as clear a concept as possible of what you did on *Cotton Club*. For example, did this picture come to you with all the musical sequences already inserted in it?

Beggs: The picture was cut and locked to soundtrack in New York City. It was brought to Napa [Coppola's post production facility] for music pre-mix and final mix. Dialogue pre-mix was done at Lucasfilm. We screened and recut the picture four times as a result of exhibitor previews in Chicago, San Jose, Boston and Seattle.

On this picture I did less than on any other picture I've done, mainly because the picture was an East Coast picture. I wasn't even going to work on it. I was brought in very late. By comparison, on *Rumblefish* I worked very closely with Francis and the composer [Stewart Copeland] throughout the whole picture. In this case, the source music is a given—the stuff that's on screen, you're not going to move it, you can't change it, you can't take it out or move it unless the picture's lifted [read deleted] or moved.

The underscore worked by and large. It was done once and then was reorchestrated at Francis' request. I got in at that stage.

Once again by comparison, I worked a lot with the music editor on *Cotton Club* [Norman Hollyn]. Obviously, on a picture like this he's very important. There was an incredible amount of preparation and sheer physical effort spent to make sure that when it's all together the musicians we are seeing are playing in sync with the music we are hearing on the track. It sounds pretty basic but it's extremely difficult.

Mix: What was the time frame of the whole filmmaking process of *Cotton Club*?

Beggs: Pre-production began in July of 1983. Francis began working on the script when I was finishing *Rumblefish*. They began shooting in September [1983]. They broke for Christmas with some pick-up shooting in January. February, March, April, May were all editorial [picture cutting]. Sound editorial and all of that stuff began in June and July. I started working on this picture in July.

My work with the sound editors consisted of a trip to New York where I discussed what we were after in building the soundtrack. I listened to some premixes back there to make sure they were coming along all right. Usually, I prefer to hire all the sound editors myself and put together my own team. This being a New York production I had nothing to do with hiring them.

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nologies into filmmaking. To what extent do you think that his innovations or drive to innovate filmmaking have influenced the way you work?

Beggs: Francis has given me carte blanche. His ideas are aesthetic and theoretical; they're not technical. When we first started working together in '79 he liked the way recording studios worked on 24 tracks and said, "Richard, can you work this way on a movie?" And I said, "Yeah, I don't know why not." And so we did it.

Mix: Coppola used a video system on *Cotton Club* to make pre-cuts of scenes at the end of shooting days. Did you see any of the video pre-cuts on *Cotton Club*, and did you use them in your work?

Beggs: Only in terms of looking at them and preparing myself for what was coming. This picture was very conventional and I really didn't do very much of that. For instance, on *Rumblefish* and *One from the Heart* I got a video cut of the picture at a very early stage and began building and manipulating sound on 24 track to those pictures well in advance of the final mix. And I would then take those elements on 24 track into the final mix locked to picture and use them. I'd work essentially in a recording studio building all this stuff. On *Cotton Club* there wasn't the necessity or the need to do it. The picture just wasn't structured that way. The track didn't have those requirements. It could have been done that way but it wasn't set up that way.

Mix: What has been the greatest single technological advance which has helped you in film sound since you started in '79?

Beggs: Automated mixing. I don't know any films other than Francis' films that I have worked on that have been mixed with automation.

Mix: What are benefits of this system?

Beggs: Repeatability. On a conventional mixing deck you have three mixers: dialogue, effects and music. Nowadays you record on three separate recorders so that if the dialogue guy gets his stuff right he can sort of stop and then the music guy can work until he's ready and so on. And you can see the advantage of that.

Well, a lot of times you can be mixing a sequence and you have 25 or 30 elements coming in and you can get it almost right. But there's something that isn't quite right; you've rehearsed it four or five times. You've got it just about how you want it. Do you try to do it again and possibly lose what you've got and get the thing that is outstanding? Or do you just say, "It's as good as we can get it for now, it's not worth trying to do it again because it will never be as good," and go on?

With automation you save everything you want and you can go in at any

one point and change any one aspect—when a reel goes down and then comes back up, and you have to punch in which frequently happens: a line has to change. Especially in a master where all the effects and everything are going. You have to match on a big board conceivably as many as 90 elements, that when you punch in, the join is imperceptible. And so every level has to be what it was maybe three weeks or a month ago. The automation will remember all of these things for you in terms of level. Equalization is something else. We don't have automated equalization. But theoretically that should be in your head and it shouldn't be that far off.

Another big advantage is that you

can do a lot of one man mixing, which I like to do. Everything is stored in data. You don't really record anything. It's all in memory. I can work on dialogue. Then I can go work on effects. Then I can rough in music. It's all in memory. Then I can work a little bit on music. And just jump back and forth constantly working and shaping the thing. Then you go back, push the button and record it.

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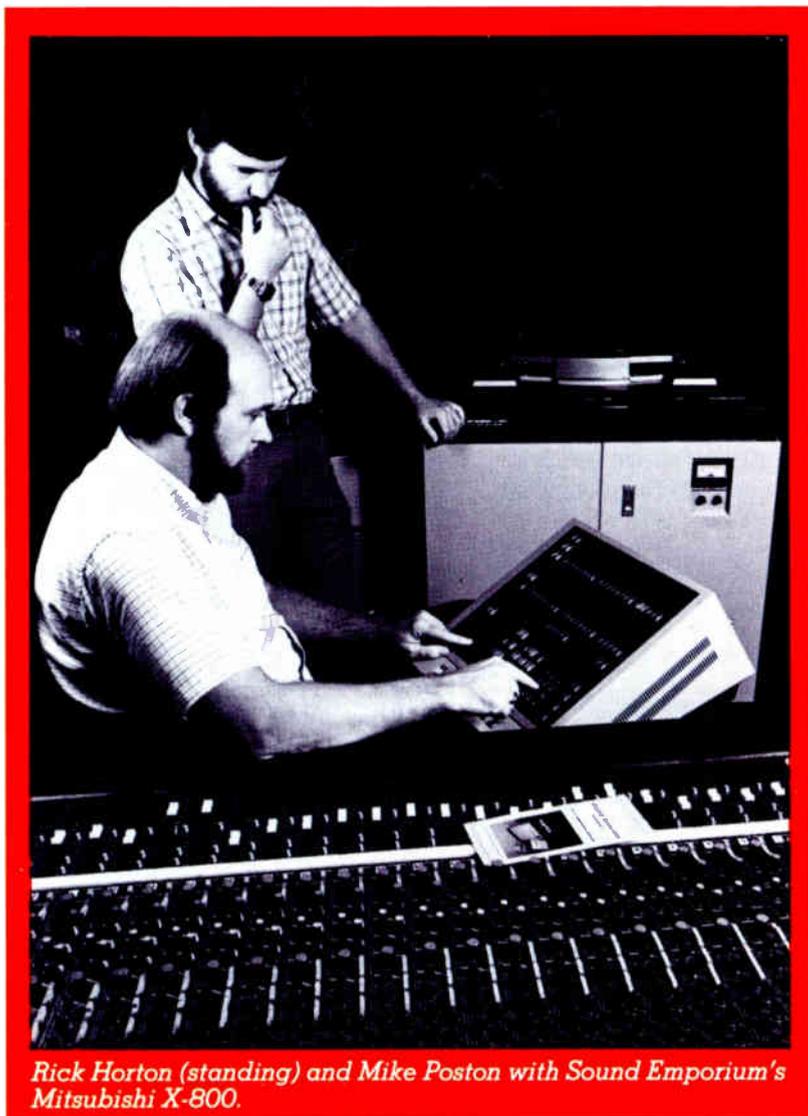
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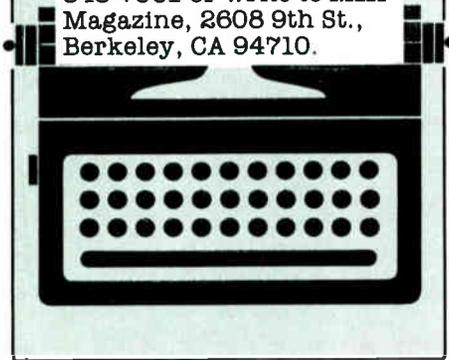


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that even though there is a large record business here, the album budgets are significantly lower than what's allotted for pop albums cut in Los Angeles or New York. Generally speaking, those smaller recording budgets mean that the studios have not been as willing to spend the big bucks for expensive equipment."

With this in mind, Horton and Poston decided to contact some of their industry acquaintances in order to find out how many were actually mixing to digital, doing digital projects, or had interest in working that way. "I was really surprised to discover that so many records were being digitally mastered in Nashville," says Poston. "Jimmy Bowen Productions, for instance, have been doing all their artists that way for the last 18 months. But they've been using either the Sony or the JVC systems, because they were the only ones in town."

Why did Horton and Poston think they could get enough business with the Mitsubishi system, when the JVC and Sony units were already established in the area? The answer can be found in the first impression that the X-80 two track made on these guys back in April of 1984. "When Tom Behrens [the Nashville representative for Digital Entertainment Corporation, Mitsubishi's North American marketing company] loaned me an X-80 to use for a day, all he did was roll it into the studio, and check the level. There were none of the normal set-up procedures and adjustments that you usually do for other machines. Then he showed me how to do one razor-blade edit, and left saying, 'Use it just like a normal two track.' Well, I was astounded by the first playback—crisp, clean bass as well as highs, and no degeneration of sound quality over time. I called Rick right away and said, 'This is what we've been looking for in a two track as far as audio quality is concerned.' We really just wanted to have this technology available for ourselves."

Based on this and the results they got from their informal "market research," Digital Associates established a pricing structure accordingly. Horton and Poston knew that most studios wouldn't pay \$1,000 a day for a 32 track. So they worked out a rate of \$600 a day, and devised a scale that declined according to the longevity of the rental agreement. The same philosophy applied to the two track rates. "Rick and I spent about a week working out the rent structures, and in all honesty, we did them without knowing what the competition's rates were. We based our decisions on our conversations with people around town, and what they said they could afford. We wanted to charge fees that were fair to our customers, that paid for the machine and maintenance, and gave us a chance to use the machine ourselves."

Of course, prospective clients

didn't immediately beat a path to D.A.'s door. Rentals were slow the first month (May of 1984) for the X-80, with random single-day rentals comprising most of the work orders until summer. Likewise, when the X-800 arrived in July, it worked for a week, sat for two weeks, and went out for a couple of days the fourth week—typical usage patterns following the introduction of a new product or service. By October, however, the 32 track Mitsubishi machine was working by the week with negotiations going on for 60- and 90-day contracts. The two track was also going out for two and three weeks at a time. "Right now we're focusing just on the record people," says Poston. "But we plan to explore new possibilities soon, like video or film work, because the machine is designed specifically to work with SMPTE timecode. But mainly, in this type of business, word-of-mouth is the best advertising. The more the people use the machine, the more they realize how much they like it. Already (by the first of October 1984) we have our two X-80 two tracks booked for the whole month."

HIDDEN RESPONSIBILITIES

Creeping into the picture after the fact are all the auxiliary services a company like Digital Associates must provide in addition to their primary function of simply renting a piece of equipment. Questions like: How will the machine get to its destination? Who will set it up? How will it be interfaced with existing equipment applied in a variety of formats? Who will provide maintenance service? How about training clients to use the machine? Otherwise, any realistic thoughts of staying in business go right out the window.

Initially, Mike or Rick delivered the X-80 two track to clients themselves, but the arrival of the X-800 32 track made that procedure unfeasible. Digital Associates now contracts a professional delivery service to move all the machines and take the responsibility for setting them up, plugging them in, and having the second engineer pump 1k tones through the circuitry to ensure that nothing serious happened during transit. Then either Horton or Poston show up personally to provide a brief description of how the machine operates, to get the invoices signed, and answer any questions that might come up during the early part of the session.

Horton and Poston report that the maintenance aspect has been relatively light. And that's part of the reason they've been able to keep the rental rates so low. "We haven't encountered any major breakdowns since we took possession of these machines," says Poston. "And the couple of minor things that happened in transit with the two track were taken care of quickly. We do our own

service, because we each have a strong technical background. The manuals are really comprehensive, and Tom Behrens acts as our consultant, so we can get advice when we need it. In addition, Mitsubishi has guaranteed us parts delivery by the following morning. The two times we've wanted parts, they were here as promised. We've had no problems."

INTERFACE PROBLEMS

More serious, at least initially, was the question of being able to interface the 32 track with all the console configurations that currently exist in Nashville studios. Such issues as transformer vs. transformerless boards, various output-buss levels, and similar non-standard setups all had to be taken into consideration.

While the two track generally interfaces via the conventional two track cables, some clients wish to run analog and digital multi-tracks simultaneously. How do you connect the extra tracks to a 24 track board? Horton and Poston spent several days trying to determine the most practical and universal method that would be compatible with the majority of situations they might encounter. "We originally thought of building several different snake cables to accommodate all the possible types of bays," says Poston. "But we ruled that out, because of the strain-relief problem. Unless

you're dealing with molded cords, you can't guarantee that your patch cords are not going to get ripped out. If something goes wrong too often, that's a lot of time we have to spend doing repairs, and we ultimately have to raise the rates to compensate for our work."

They finally devised a patch panel that parallels both quarter-inch and TT connectors, and accommodates just about anything that a studio could want. If the client wants to do simultaneous analog and digital, then all 32 channels of the X-800 go through Digital Associate's patch bay to the studio console patch bay via 30-inch patch cords. "If the digital multi-track is the only machine to be used on the session," says Poston, "then 24 tracks go through the typical tape-machine snake, and the remaining eight audio tracks as well as the five data tracks interface through our patch panel." (Ed. note: In addition to the normal 32 audio tracks, the X-800 provides two channels for various sync data, a single track dedicated to SMPTE timecode, and two analog tracks so engineers can do normal analog functions like tape rocking to locate downbeats and cue points.)

EXTERNAL CONSIDERATIONS:

Even with all the best planning and preparation, great advertising, a strong product or service, and efficient

customer service, unforeseeable variables can always crop up to throw stumbling blocks in the path of your progress. For Digital Associates, it's the way the industry is handling the transition from analog to digital.

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"Consumers are paying top dollar for software that is not truly a digital recording," says Poston. "They notice that the quality is not that much better than the analog recordings they're already used to, and eventually they'll get turned off to digital products. Consumers need to be educated about what they're buying. If record companies realize that they can sell analog product at digital prices, artists will not get the budgets to do digital sessions. Not only will that put us out of business, but the potential of digital audio could be defeated before it really has a chance to get off the ground." ■

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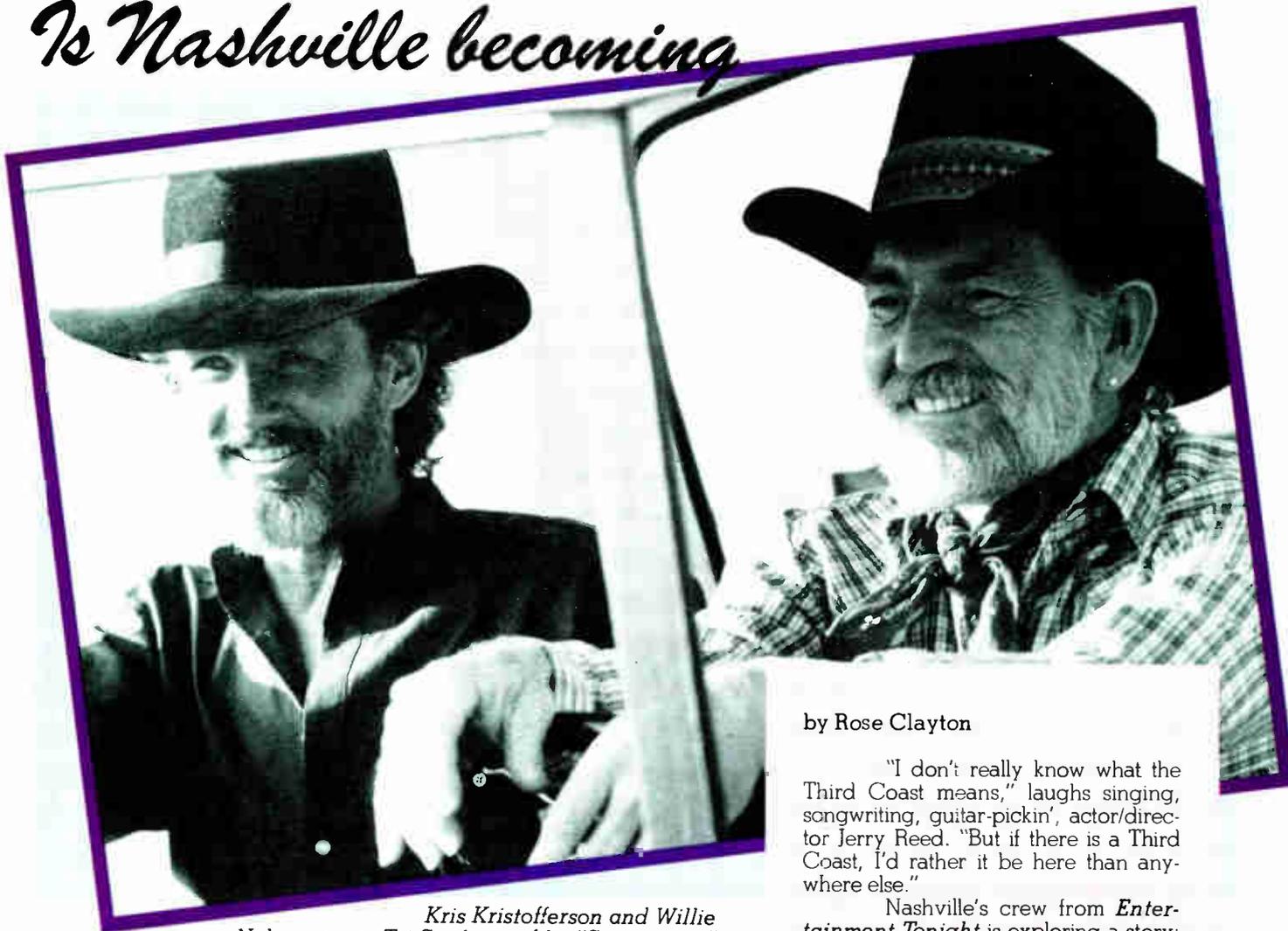
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Kris Kristofferson and Willie Nelson star in Tri-Star's new film "Songwriter."

by Rose Clayton

"I don't really know what the Third Coast means," laughs singing, songwriting, guitar-pickin', actor/director Jerry Reed. "But if there is a Third Coast, I'd rather it be here than anywhere else."

Nashville's crew from *Entertainment Tonight* is exploring a story: Are references made in New York and Los Angeles to Nashville being Movie City a slip of the tongue, or is the country music capital, known around the world as Music City U.S.A. undergoing an evolution?

As "ET" is focusing on Reed between takes of his directing debut, *What Comes Around*, other cameras around the city are busy eyeballing four different feature-length motion pictures. That brings the total to nine films for 1984.

It's been a busy decade for Music City since the movie *Nashville* hit in 1974. Country-music entertainers have been featured in 58 films for TV or movies over that period.

When he stars in his self-directed effort, Reed will edge Kris Kristofferson as the country music recording artist making the most movies. (Kristofferson has seven films, but one's a TV feature.)

While Reed and Kristofferson lead the race, Willie Nelson finishes a close third with five movies and one TV film in five years. Nelson, (who also records for CBS, sings duets and collects Grammys in his spare time), teamed up with Kristofferson in '84 for *Songwriter*, which was, of course, also about country

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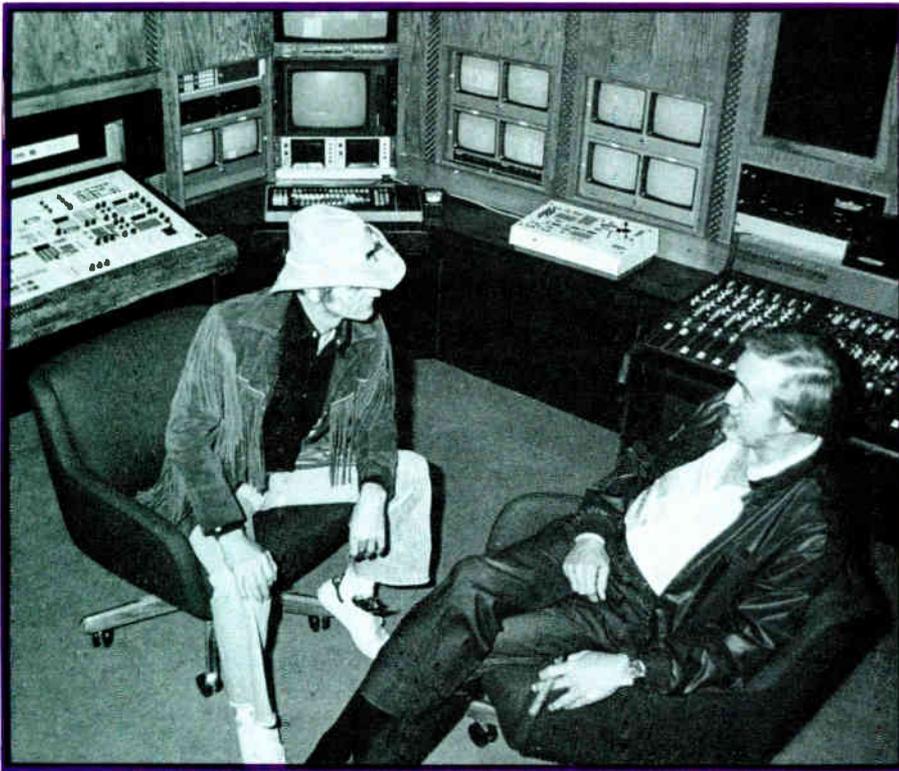
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Jerry Reed, left, and "Nashville Now" host Ralph Emory in Reed's TSC Video Studio.

music, singers, records, etc.

What makes Nashville's posture so pleasing in the movie scene now is that films released in 1985 will bear the tag—filmed on location in Tennessee.

"In 1979, Tennessee's total production budget was \$14 million," reports Jane Word, director of the state's Film, Tape and Music Commission. "Preliminary year-end tallies for '84 indicate an overall budget of \$150 million with an estimated \$73 million left behind in the state." This figure will cap a record-breaking \$120 million for '83 with about \$53 million remaining.

The reason for the increase, says Word, is, "We are promoting with continuing success the idea that film companies can not only shoot movies here, but that they can have soundtracks recorded and films underscored here. This creates work, not only for musicians, but for producers and arrangers as well. It's a hand in hand business. The film industry already looks to Nashville for music."

Filmmakers questioned about Tennessee's on-location charm, as compared to sound stage productions, list its varied landscape, naturally beautiful seasons, geographic accessibility from other on-location shoots, genuine Southern hospitality, cooperation of state officials, along with its expanding pool of creative and technical talents as secrets of its lure.

Tennessee's movies are star quality both in front of and behind the

camera. Aces like Timothy Bottoms, Patricia Neal, and Ernest Borgnine opened the year's shooting season with the Disney Channel's acclaimed feature-film *Love Leads the Way*.

Jeff Bridges and Karen Allen spent 46 of *Star Man's* 86 total production days in the state with Columbia Pictures dumping \$4 to \$6 million of its \$21 million budget in the Volunteer State's treasury. These figures match dollars spent on filming segments of Sissy Spacek's film *The River* in East Tennessee.

Two academy-award winning actresses graced Nashville at the same time. Spacek (of *Coal Miner's Daughter*) starred in *Marie*, as the heroine of Peter Mass' book about Marie Ragghianti's role in revealing corruption in Tennessee's Board of Pardons and Paroles; and, Jessica Lange (from *Tootsie*) portrayed country-singing legend Patsy Cline in *Sweet Dreams*. Producing *Marie* for the Dino De Laurentis company, was Frank Capra, Jr., and behind *Sweet Dreams*, on a \$13 million budget, was Bernard Schwartz, whose *Coal Miner's Daughter* was the second largest-grossing movie of 1980 behind *The Empire Strikes Back*.

So where do Nashville and the movies go next? Reed has another vested interest in the success of his film *What Comes Around*. He is the owner of TSC Video on Nashville's Music Row where his movie is being edited in his high-tech editing suite from video tapes made from film shot only the day before. *What*

Comes Around will be the first movie made in Tennessee using this new technique and going from pre- to post-production without involving the Hollywood studios.

But, it is not only the motion picture industry that is giving the city's creative film and tape professionals a shot on both sides of the camera.

The advent of the Nashville Network in March, 1983, gave Music City its golden opportunity to become a major television center. By November of '84, TNN was recognized as the nation's fastest growing cable network entertainment service with access to 60 percent of all cable households in America.

With 60 million people identified as country music listeners in America, more than 500 million country albums sold, and 2,000 country radio stations in the marketplace, it is little wonder that the Nashville Network is the fourth largest producer of original programming (4,000 hours) for television in the U.S.

As part of the 480-acre Opryland entertainment and hotel complex, TNN, co-owned by Group W, is a \$100 million investment that employs more than 200 in its creative and technical services and a wealth of freelancers that use its in-house facilities to produce the segments that they contribute.

Jerry Bailey, manager of press information services for Group W, says that by the end of 1985, more than 27 million cable subscribers will have access to the Nashville Network, and its demand for programming will continue to accelerate.

Anticipating the growth of country music and the future of Nashville as a major news center, record producer Dick Heard switched to producing independent segments for television in 1979. He has since become the city's leading producer of celebrity-related television news and features covering the entire Midsouth for exposure on *Entertainment Tonight*, MTV, *Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous*, Turner Broadcasting, and Japan Television Network.

During the past year, Heard also produced the Nashville Hotline segments for the syndicated series, *On Stage America*, as well as a myriad of individual high-quality projects such as electronic press kits, music videos, promotional spots, and documentaries for his select clientele. Future plans include programs for the Hospital Satellite Network, two network specials and a 13-week syndicated series.

Heard's crews, like those of most of the city's other production companies are selected from the large pool of freelance talent now available in the Nashville area.

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Widely known for its outstanding music videos, Scene III has produced for Music City's top country artists including: Janie Fricke, Ray Charles, Crystal Gayle, the Statler Brothers, and Larry Gatlin & the Gatlin Brothers Band, as well as for contemporary Christian music acts.

Although music videos comprise only 20 percent of Scene III's total business, Scene III also has combined its

efforts on two one-hour music specials for the 7-Up Company and co-produces the popular *Music City U.S.A.* with Multimedia Entertainment.

The largest syndicators of country music shows in the world, Multimedia Entertainment produces, not only *Music City U.S.A.*, but the long-running *Pop Goes the Country*. In addition, Multimedia has an *America Comes Alive* series which includes the annual "Music City Awards Show" and "Music City News Top Country Hits" show—the one awards show that solely honors the songwriters.

"Double Platinum," "The Charlie Daniels Volunteer Jam," "Hank Williams—The Man and the Music" "A Tribute to Chet Atkins," and "Ronnie Milsap

—A Celebration" are just a few of the numerous specials Multimedia produced during the past year. One long-awaited special currently in production is the star-studded "Winning Hand" TV special with Dolly Parton, Willie Nelson, Kris Kristofferson, Brenda Lee and others.

With a full-time staff of 15 and a freelance corp that numbers up to 30, Multimedia Entertainment also has co-produced projects, such as, *New Faces in Country Music* and *Behind the Scenes* with another active video company, Jim Owens Productions.

Publicist Bill Jones for Jim Owens Productions says, "We're real proud of the quality of the projects we've done. We won a silver medal from the International Film and TV Festival for Moe Bandy and Joe Stampley's music video "Where's the Dress?" and also a silver medal for *This Week in Country Music* for the best weekly music series behind *Entertainment Tonight* and we think that's a pretty good showing."

Jim Owens Productions, which is both a production and postproduction studio, relocated in Nashville from Atlanta in 1974. Its staff has grown from five members to 19, and its list of credits likewise continues to swell.

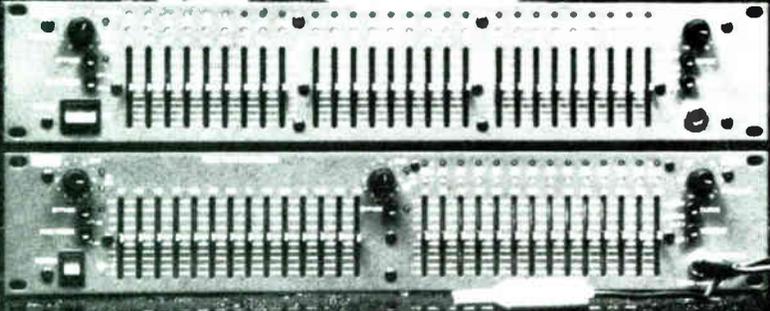
Music videos have been shot by JOP for Mel Tillis and Glen Campbell, Larry Gatlin and the Gatlin Brothers Band, and The Statler Brothers, among others. However, the highlight of its year was the spectacular two-hour special, "This Year in Country Music," which will now be an annual presentation.

Nashville is also the home of Film House, Inc., "probably the largest syndicator in the country for commercials for radio and TV stations," according to producer Anne Hahn. Seventy percent of Film Houses' productions are for commercials with the remainder of its work being industrial, educational and documentary films for major corporate clients. Film House, after more than nine years of growth in Nashville, recently moved into a stunning new partially solar two-story building on Music Row.

So . . . whether it's film or video, the Nashville scene provides a wide range of opportunities in all phases of the creative process. Dale Cornelius, executive director of the 1,100-member Nashville Music Association, says that its film and video category is the organization's largest.

Says Cornelius: "What's unique about Nashville is that while we promote our own personal projects, we promote Nashville at the same time. Word is getting out that we have talented people here and that this is a creative and productive place to work. There is a great deal of camaraderie, and business is done with a much more hospitable approach. I think that carries over to all areas of entertainment in Nashville." ■

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His energy sapped, Fogerty says he lost his sense of what was good, of what his music should be. "I never doubted that I was going to record again. But I was going to stick it out until I was ready. The voice was still there, but the joy of singing wasn't there. I wanted it *all* back before I came back."

An Engineer Out of Left Field

Jim Gaines, general manager of The Plant in Sausalito, California has been helping engineer Jeffrey Norman along for about ten years, "Since I started as a gofer at Wally Heider's," (a now defunct 24 track San Francisco studio), Norman remembers. The two have worked together on some very successful albums, including Huey Lewis's *Sports* which Gaines engineered, assisted by Norman. Last year Norman decided to leave the staff of The Plant to work independently and with producer Ann Fry in a partnership dubbed Left Field Productions.

When Fogerty asked Gaines about recording at The Plant, the old pro recommended his protege. So Norman stepped out of Left Field into Centerfield for a while. Coincidentally, a heartfelt enthusiasm for baseball provided common ground for the two strangers as Fogerty began his walk through 1984 recording technology. "Working with John is great. I know I'll never miss a key game," says Norman with a laugh and a subtle appreciation for the professional absurdity of such a statement. When Mark Slagle signed on as assistant engineer, the team was complete.

Alone In The Pit

Completely complete. There were no other musicians, arrangers, producers, record company executives or nosey reporters cluttering the confines of Studio C (420 square feet with two isolation booths, a Trident series 80B console, Studer A-80 VU MKIII tape recorders). Fogerty acted as producer and arranger, and performed all vocals and instrumentation, as he has on three previous solo albums.

This smallest of The Plant's three studios got stuck with the nickname, "The Pit" in the late '60s when Sly Stone customized the room so that the musicians could play in a circle around a sunken console and tape recorders with no control room/studio separation. For years after that it was a rehearsal hall, until The Plant converted it and later upgraded just in time for the Fogerty project in the summer of '84. Norman describes "C" this way: "Essentially, it was developed for demos and overdubbing. It's the kind of room where the instrument sounds just like the instrument," perfect for the straightforward sound you'd expect

from the man who wrote "Proud Mary."

But Fogerty himself isn't big on acoustic pedantry. "I'm not one of those people who believes in 'studio and the sound' and all that. I really don't. I think it's who's on both sides of the glass. I think that's where it's at. The fact that it was just my size was kind of cool, though, because there's just one of me . . . and I would set up the equipment as if each guy was there."

Naturally, the tracks had to go down one at a time. To insure a more

hearsal studio for the last nine years, probably just figuring another anonymous Northern California band was making all that racket—practicing for their shot with a label. Fogerty has been diligently reporting for work every day, though for a while it was with no inspiration. "I tried everything—disco, lounge. When I first got the sequencer and my drum machine all hooked up and talking to each other I went off on a binge of a month of techno-pop baloney. You can do that.



Engineer Jeffrey Norman.

spontaneous sound, however, Fogerty used a stereo PA system (three 750 watt BGW amps—tramped—Gauss speakers, Forsythe bass speakers) so he could play off a speaker as if it were a real rhythm guitarist standing in the corner. "It has to be that way, otherwise you won't get any energy," he says. "I did earphone trips way back in the beginning when I started this [*The Blue Ridge Rangers*, Asylum Records, 1972]. Well, I tried actually at the end of the *soggy* album for Asylum [*Hoodoo*, 1975, never released] to have them play through the studio monitors to get some soul, to get some feeling. They were so wimpy. Every time that kick drum and the bass would hit, it would go [he lets out a slow, sputtering, spitting noise while smashing his hands down on the table]—it was terrible. I began to get the idea that I'd better get a PA." A scratch rhythm guitar track went down first using a click track. Next came the real drum track, which then became the rhythm track; then came the bass, followed by the rhythm guitar and the saxophone.

The kids from the nearby high school have been walking past Fogerty's modest suburban eight track re-

It all sounds wonderful, but it didn't mean anything."

When he finally did feel he had his sound and decided to take the big step to the outside world, he was meticulously prepared. Engineer Norman reports that Fogerty had everything written down: changes, amp settings, etc. After much deliberation about types of wood and tuners, and how much metal would be needed to give the bottom end the warmth he wanted, Fogerty commissioned Phil Kubicki in Santa Barbara to make a "swamp bass." Seymour Duncan made the pick ups. The drums were culled from all over.

Fogerty's philosophy is to spend the time outside the studio getting the exact instrument sound. "It was my theory to be as well prepared as I could be before I'd go in there. I've had several false starts over the last ten years, and I didn't want to humiliate myself again. I mean it really is—it's kind of like trying to be a high jumper and you've got 50,000 people watching and you're not ready when they put it up to six feet—and you go smack right into the bar [pounds his fist into his palm]. I did that several times and fell on my face. So I said, the next time I go, I got to be really ready and have it together because there's that grind-

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ing down period at the end when you're running out of energy and you start having self doubts—which is exactly what happened. I had those six songs done and I could hear the thundering herd again. And I said, 'Oh God, here it comes again—that feeling—and I can't let it happen like it did before.'"

So when Norman got behind the board and started adjusting the sound, Fogerty admits he got a bit nervous. "He's only a mild knob twiddler, though. We laughed about that. That's a Pete Townshend expression. I would say, 'Wait a minute, wait a minute. I've been working on this a long time.' I would have him repeat to me what he was doing. This was the first day, which we ended up having to do over. Most of what he was doing was fine. I just didn't want him to get carried away because most engineers, just because it's there, say 'Well, I'm supposed to do something, I'll try this.' But I told him, 'Just listen to the bass the way it is.' I think that was the one that really startled him. It's just wonderful sounding. Real warm."

Swamp Rock: No Room for Slapback-Whiplash

If Fogerty introduced his engineer to some "old fashioned" tonal qualities, Norman turned one of his pop heroes of the early '70s onto some of the pleasures of 1980s technology. One example: the AMS digital reverb, which Fogerty learned to love immediately. He recently purchased one for his rehearsal studio.

Echo played an important role in Creedence's music. Hits such as "Green River" and "Run Through the Jungle" are perhaps best remembered for that steamy vocal quality. Fogerty calls echo an extra instrument that has to be tuned and troubled over in the same way one would treat a guitar. He objects to the slapback-as-whiplash effect. "There's a right way and a wrong way to do slapback," he says. "The Sun Records use of it was real warm. The vocal was the whole thing. There was a resurgence of using slapback in '78-'79. The use of it just didn't ring true to me in a lot of cases. It doesn't give you the same warm feeling. It's just there; it's an effect like so many effects that have come along in the last six years. Boxes everybody uses. It's something you really have to think about and be careful with."

As a case in point, much care went into the echo on the horn part in "Rock and Roll Girls." Norman wanted a punchier, modern rock decay, while Fogerty heard in his head a longer, smoother, less affected decay. Naturally, the boss won. "I got what I wanted, but it was like a trade a little later when

there was something he was going for. I listened and I listened and I couldn't see it. But then I said, 'Okay, you're right. Does that make up for the horn in 'Rock and Roll Girls?' We tried to keep it as light as we could always—so I would invent these characters that would be there with us. We had the producer and his girlfriend watching,

of about four years (1969-'72), and now a song sounds on the radio is still his yardstick while mixing, no matter what the studio monitors say. "I mixed this album in the front seat of a Toyota Landcruiser," he remarks. "We would put in our 10 or 11 hours in the studio, then we'd do a pass onto a cassette, and then I'd run with the cassette out

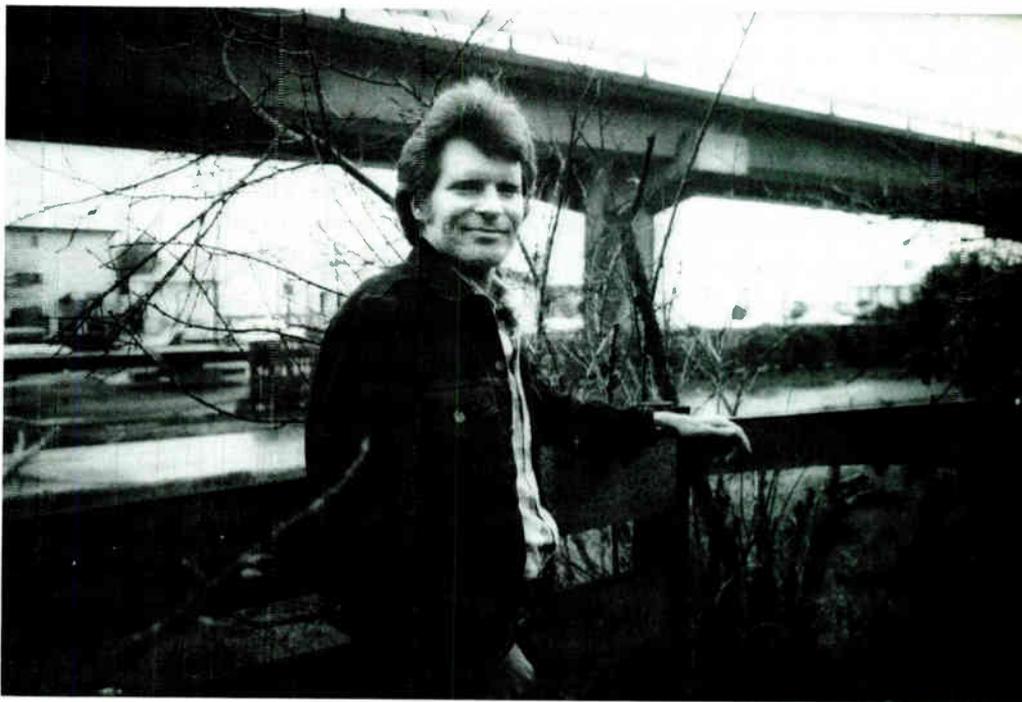


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because you know that goes on. And the producer's got to be showing his stuff, so he reaches over and touches a knob—doesn't *do anything*, and then he turns to the girlfriend, Becky, and says, 'See what I just did.' But I don't think there's anything on the record we tried for but didn't achieve."

A talk with a hit performer/producer from 15 years ago highlights many of the technical advances the re-cording industry has seen since then, and what audiences have grown to expect. Fogerty admits that mixing in 1984 was a completely different experience. After he'd mixed half the album, in fact, he had to go back and do it over again: "I went home and put on a Creedence record and said, 'Yeah, new stuff matches, sounds fine.' Then I put on a contemporary record and said, 'Whoa!' The contemporary record just jumped right out at me, and the Creedence just sort of laid there. So I went back to the drawing board. I had to work with the correct balances between higher and lower registers. Nowadays you can print a lot more on a record. It used to take me about an hour-and-a-half per tune. Now we averaged about 10 or 12 hours."

Radio listeners heard 20 singles from Fogerty and CCR over a period

into the truck and listen to it—get all the relationships from that."

Gremlins in the Computer

While automation enhances the mixing process, a computer can sometimes create special effects that nobody programmed. At home late at night Fogerty would be listening to a cassette of "Big Train (From Memphis)" when he'd swear he was hearing a second vocal track he'd never laid down. The song is about Elvis Presley's impact on his youth. "It sent a chill up my spine—like, 'Big E is here singing with me.' Then we found out one of the computer modules was defective, and it would intermittently play the main vocal when it wasn't supposed to. That's one thing I found out. These computers aren't always nice to me."

The Way of the Wah-Wah

For a musician who's been repeatedly using the word "warm" to describe the sound he's looking for, Fogerty interestingly enough, used a drum machine on the song, "Zanz Kant Danz." He calls this a deliberate stylistic device to characterize the content of the song (which he referred to as "the robot song" while in the studio). On the general subject of drum machines,

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Sun and Fun Recording

This month's *Mix* is loaded with Southeastern listings, detailing all the recording opportunities south of the Mason-Dixon line, a part of the country enjoying unprecedented growth as population and commerce migrate from the Rust Belt to the Sun Belt. But rather than rely on facts, I decided to collect some estimations, opinions, and hearsay to find out the real state of affairs regarding recording on my home turf. Thus I left my South Miami home, but instead of letting my motorcycle take its instinctive easterly route to the beach, I headed north on I-95 to North Miami/Ft. Lauderdale, the mecca of South Florida recording. I turned on my tape recorder for a wide cross section of industry practitioners, talking to everyone from engineers to owners to reps, to find out whether business was good, bad, or Chapter 11.

My first stop was at A.R.T., an up-and-coming company specializing in live sound system installations for night clubs or small concert halls. In addition, A.R.T. sells designs and materials for new and renovation jobs,

and performs maintenance for all their customers. Paul Hugo, co-owner, pointed to club installations as the most rapidly developing aspect of the business. The last year has seen a steady pace of openings, or re-makes, with an average of one-and-a-half per month. In addition, there is a growing trend toward knowledgeability on the part of the owners, which results in demand for more sophisticated equipment, and better sound. In part, this has evolved a trend to purchase a smaller amount of equipment, but of higher quality.

Hugo noted that a number of their clients were dissatisfied former clients from another company noted for its poor design. The tide seems to be turning toward clients and companies interested in doing it right the first time. The bottom line is however, still a concern too. The South Florida economy is seasonal, and this is sometimes reflected in the audio industry. For example, Hugo noted that many club owners choose their slow summer months for new construction or elaborate renovation, and use the

busy winter for fine-tuning and particular changes aimed to re-awake the interest of steady customers. In addition, South Florida is the access point for the growing Caribbean market. Multi-lingualism and familiarity with island preferences are important considerations. A.R.T. has thus readily found its niche as a high-end design company, busy with the increasing number of clubs in the area.

Criteria Recording Studios in North Miami is the long-standing flagship of South Florida recording. Founded in 1955 by Mack Emerman, the facility now includes five recording studios, and a disk mastering suite. Emerman characterized the summer as unexpectedly bad, however more recently business has been unexpectedly good, particularly beginning in December, with bookings stretching through the spring. In part, this might be a result of a long-term shake-out in South Florida audio studios. There are now fewer comprehensive facilities than in the past, affording clients fewer choices.

Recent Criteria clients have included Bob Seger, Shyrtalk, Mountain, Robin Gibb, Julio Iglesias, and Candy. A new recording project, described as a video postcard, will result in half-hour video tapes of visits to cities around the U.S. This is an all-digital project with Mitsubishi X-800 and X-80, to be released on Beta and VHS Hi-Fi.

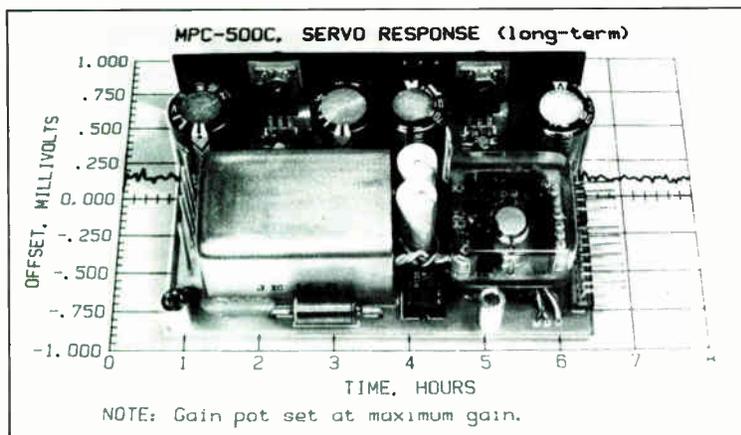
According to Mr. Emerman, future directions for Criteria include greater involvement in postproduction; for example, Studio A, with its 50 x 75 x 20 foot dimensions, could be redesigned as a sound stage or large mixing room; with projection, dubbars, and digital audio, all locked-up, it would provide a needed posting facility for South Florida.

Coconuts Recording Co., in North Miami Beach occupies a unique position in the South Florida recording scene. Under the ownership of Shirley Kaye, Coconuts is an "insiders" studio which, according to Kaye, is extremely successful precisely because of its anonymity. With jingle work during the day, and album work at night, business has been stable and busy, with no summer slump. Most of the album clients are from out-of-state, typically as a result of a producer's referral, and rarely miss meals, because according to Kaye, "I worry if they don't have lunch." Future endeavors will include expanded audio

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Europe, with thousands of demos coming in over the past year. Norman adds that an R&B/soul version of the program is now in the works, as the show currently only plays rock and top-40 formats. The studio has also upgraded to 16 tracks and added more outboard gear to their arsenal.

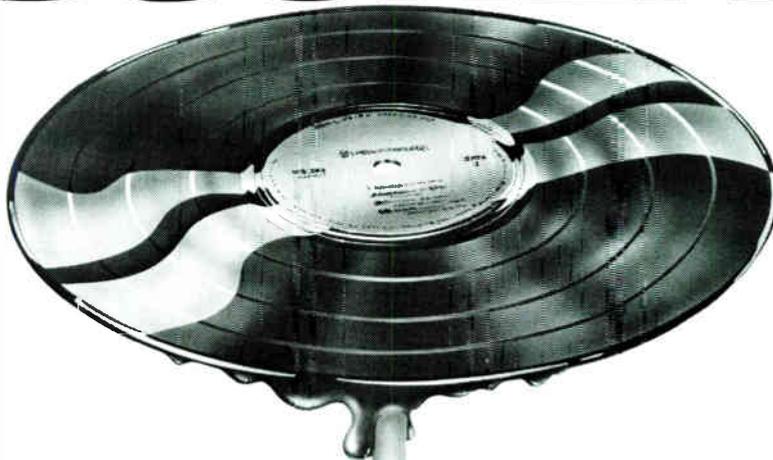
Bill Allgood, president of New Age Sight and Sound, hopes his new three studio facility in Atlanta will be ready for a grand opening the first week in March. Under construction since December, the Jerry Milam-designed facility features a live end-dead end style control room with RPG diffusors fitted into the back wall of Control Room A, which is equipped with a 50 input South Workshop automated console, a Sony 3324 24 track digital recorder and Sony 1610 digital mastering system. All of the control rooms are built around a central 40x50 foot music room: control B offers 24 track analog recording; and a video control/editing suite allows live shoots as well as postproduction in either 3/4 or one-inch formats. The studio also expects to be providing digital rental services to their customers.

Crawford Post Production is another new addition to Atlanta's growing reputation as a major media production market. The company actually began five years ago as a small 3/4-inch off-line and audio house on Spring Street, and now occupies a three acre site with a 20,000 square foot building. On line since last October, the new facility boasts an enormous 34x27 control room which seats 30 (designed by Les Duncan of Trackside Engineering), equipped with dual 24 tracks and a 48 input Neve 8128 console with Necam II; a 32x25 foot recording room with a 14 foot lighting grid/ceiling; a small studio ("B") equipped for voiceovers and smaller projects; three video suites—two are one-inch, one is interformat (1", 3/4", VHS, M-format); three graphics suites; and a 35/16mm Rank MKIII film transfer room. One of Crawford's more popular bits of hardware is their Montage editing system, which is very popular with film editors according to studio marketing manager Kathy Kelly: "Film people love it," she explains, "It's fast and you can store your EDL (edit decision list) which is compatible with our Ampex Touch Screen editor. It's an easy machine to learn."

Kelly adds that Crawford is now in the process of purchasing three Earth stations and a mobile uplink truck which should be on line by press time. The firm already has received bookings from ABC, Turner Broadcasting, and regional television stations for their satellite uplink services. Also on the horizon is Crawford Communications, an in-house interactive videodisk

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Music Resources is the brainchild of Steve Schaffer, a 37-year-old musician who built his first recording studio in Nashville 15 years ago.

Schaffer confirms that there are some reservations and even some resistance from other musicians who do not understand the new technology. That is why he offers consultation, along with other services, at his studio.

"It [his Synclavier computer system] can bend notes and play them backwards," explains Schaffer. "If a singer can't sing on pitch but the phrasing and feeling's right, the machine can repair it. If they don't sing on beat, I can move it back. The machine actually eliminates the musician's need to keep going back over something until his performance begins to go down."

Another advantage of technology is being able to synch sound more precisely with film and video. Schaffer explains that on one commercial produced at Music Resources there were 86 visual images in 23 seconds that "had to be nailed to notes." Obviously a symphony can't do that.

"Live musicians will not be replaced by machines," according to Schaffer. "A solo instrument has an articulation that is too difficult or impossible to program." But, people with dualistic roles better start practicing!

Schaffer is now programming a "real sound" library that currently has a catalog of 40 instruments that musicians and producers can call up to repair, or embellish a track. The service is available for those working at other studios who just want to lease the musical passages.

Computerized music is here to stay. Schaffer's attitude is a good one—Don't fight it. Learn to use it to make you better at what you do.

—Rose Clayton



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Mesa Records recording artist Karen Taylor-Good recently recorded a series of children's songs at Music Resources, the Nashville area's newly-opened studio geared exclusively for the computerized and electronic production of music. Explaining the studio's Synclavier® computer system is studio president Steve Schaffer, who designed and built the studio and compiled its extensive digital library of real sounds.

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manufacturing and design firm headed up by Jeff Kempf.

Studio A at Crescendo Records is currently undergoing a major remodeling, according to engineer Gary Ham. The re-design, being handled by Bill Morrison of Acoustic Physics Labs (Doraville, GA), should be completed by the end of this month. The control room is now fitted with a Morrison's custom four-way, all-cone, lead lined monitor system, which "sounds great" according to Ham. Recent session activity at Crescendo includes work by Candi Staton, Atlanta, Kevin Kendrick, Quincy Jones Productions, and Gears.

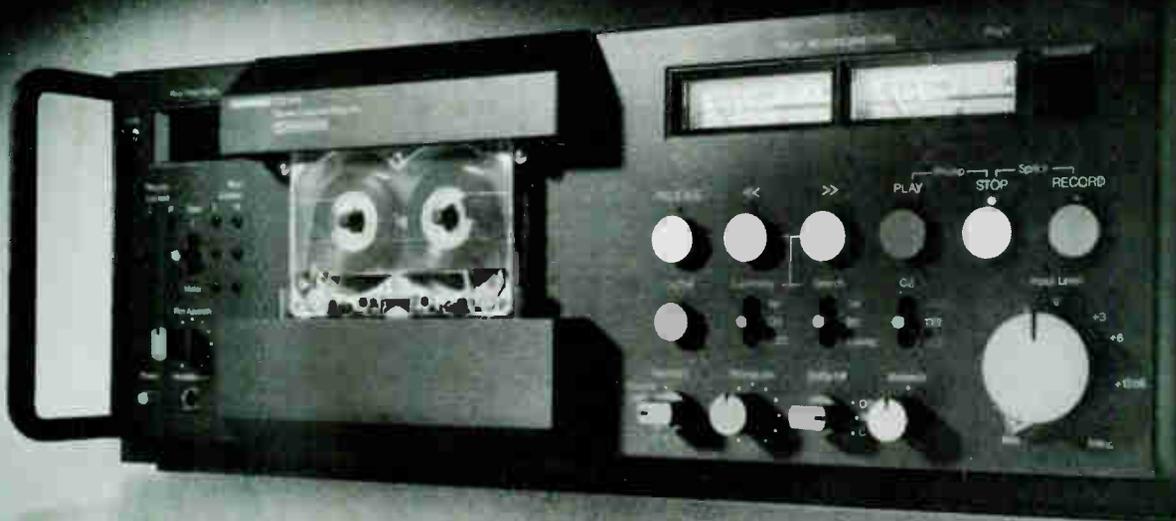
Jimmy Johnson, co-owner of Muscle Shoals Sound Studios in Sheffield, Alabama, says things have really picked up at his facility, located in a 31,000 square foot building formerly occupied by the U.S. Navy Reserve. The biggest news is the studio's acquisition of a Mitsubishi X-80 digital two track recorder. "I love it," Johnson exclaims proudly. "Everybody who comes in here loves it. Producers are really losing out if they don't try digital mixing. Once they try it, they don't go back to analog mix-downs. It gives you a mirror image of your multitrack tape. The X-80 is just fantastic. I'm a real believer in that fella." Among the groups to use the X-80 so far are the Oak Ridge Boys, who mixed part of their latest greatest hits album there. However the studio offers much more than mere hardware to attract clients. The relaxed country atmosphere and

riverside ambience, as well as the availability of legendary session players has attracted artists such as Julian Lennon (he cut basic tracks for his *Valotte* debut album there); Dealers, a group of Memphis-based dance-meisters; and Nashville's Golden Spear to the studio in recent months.

John Saviano, of Reliable Music, a Charlotte, North Carolina-based retailer, notes strong sales over the past year, especially to the musician and home studio market. Certain items, such as Soundcraft consoles; Tascam 500 series mixers and model 38 recorders; and digital reverbs like the Lexicon PCM60 and the Klark-Teknik DN-780 have sold particularly well over the past few months, and Saviano feels the Otari MX-70 one-inch 16 track machines will be another popular item once they are available. Recent studios he has equipped include Jay Howard Productions, a 16 track commercial audio production facility in Charlotte, and Silverstar Recording (McBee, SC) who upgraded with a Soundcraft 1600 console and additional outboard gear.

Also in Charlotte, Reflection Sound Studios have kept both of their 24 track rooms busy of late with a variety of projects, mostly of the new rock genre, according to studio manager Mark Williams. Don Dixon was recently in producing Marty Jones for A&M Records, Buzz of the Light for CBS, and The Graphic for a compilation LP on Dalton Records. Robert Kirkland produced local rockers The Other Mothers and

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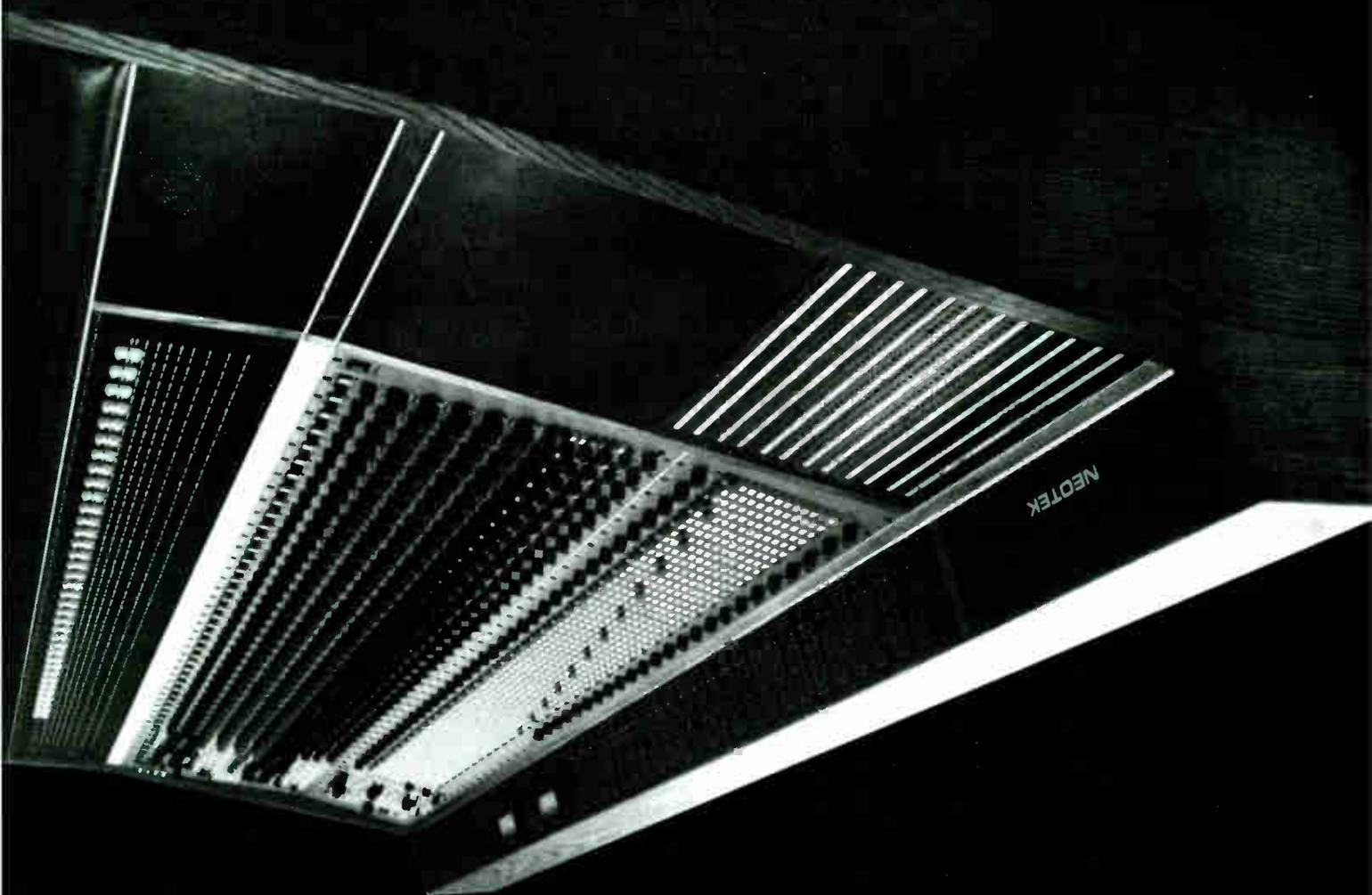
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Joe Cocker listens to tracks while cutting at Ardent Recording, Memphis, Tennessee. Pictured left to right: Tom Sullivan, Road Manager; Kim Jenkins, Assistant Engineer; Joe Cocker; Larry Marshall, Keyboardist; Carl Marsh, Fairlight Programmer; seated—Terry Manning, Engineer/Producer.

The Woodpeckers; and Reflection went on the road last fall to cut some REM live dates, although no release plans for these had been made public at press time.

Deborah Camp, editor of the *Memphis Star*, a local music monthly, sees a burgeoning and vibrant music scene in her town. "There has been a huge revival of blues and rockabilly music," Camp notes, "especially with younger audiences who are just discov-

ering these for the first time." She adds that Christian music is also very strong in Memphis, ranging from DeGarmo & Key's popular albums and videos, to an increasing number of choirs and a capella groups keeping the local studios busy. Memphis State University is also getting into the act, and their High Water label has just released its second LP, this one by local blues group The Fieldstones

After just one year in the business, Sounds Unreel of Memphis has been doing very well, according to owner Jon Hornyak, with a lot of three-session days booked over the past few months. The studio actually opened with just the control room and bathroom completed (the scaffolding was still up in the music room when Danny Tate christened the facility while mixing two sides from *Sex Will Sell* with producer Carl Marsh.) Since then, Sounds Unreel has hosted a large number of new and/or unsigned talent: Mississippi band Ssipp, produced by Ed Townsend; The Crime; and The Breaks (now signed to RCA).

It's not like it was few years ago, but business is steady; there's never a dull moment," comments Paula Crowe, of Ardent Studios in Memphis. Exciting things are underfoot at the facility, including a complete remodeling of studio B, which will be fitted with a Westar console, audio/video synchronization gear, and a Fairlight music system. The booking sheets have also been steadily filled with the likes of Joe Cocker, who was in working on his new LP due for release this spring; and the Bar-Kays and ZZ Top are due to be in the studio by summer.

Bob Todrank, of Valley Audio, a Nashville retailer, sees 1985 as a strong year for studio upgrades and construction. "Last summer was fairly slow, but things really picked up during the fall and winter, and this spring really looks good. It's mind boggling—we have six to ten new studio projects coming before June." The Otari MTR-90 recorders have been hot sellers at Valley Audio, with new decks recently going to Warner Bros. and the Pickin' Post. Valley's Micki Harrison adds that the Linn 9000 is another high interest item: "We've had a lot of orders for them. Everybody loves them."

At Nashville based Studer/Revox America, Joe Bean notes that sales of their A80 24 track machines have been particularly strong throughout the Southeast over the past few months, with recorders going to Alpha Recording, San Juan, Puerto Rico; Amphion Recording, Florida; Crawford Post Production, Atlanta; Soundscape, Atlanta; Steve Morse (of the Dregs), Atlanta; Perfect Pitch, Statesville, NC; Merit Music, Nashville; Florida Sound, Tampa; and Lake Bradford Recording in Tallahassee.

The Mobile Audio remote recording truck in Nashville has been busy of late with a variety of projects including the Alabama Music Hall of Fame Awards sponsored by the Muscle Shoals Music Assn., and a number of tour dates with Prince. The work with Prince entailed doing a live version of "Baby I'm a Star" for a single release and a 17 minute audio track for an MTV mini-video of "I Would Die for You" which segues into

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Paul Goldberg, manager of producer Harold Shedd's Music Mill studio in Nashville reports a flurry of album activity, even over the Christmas and New Year holidays, a time when most studios are idle. A few of Shedd's recent projects include working with Alabama, Glen Campbell, and Mel Tillis. Other artists making use of the facility include John Anderson, produced by Lou Bradley and Jim Ed Norman; Vince Gill produced by Emory Gordy; Gus Harden produced by Mark Wright; and Karen Taylor produced by Barry Beckett. When clients require a digital mix, Music Mill provides a JVC system rented from Masterfonics.

Roy Clark's Sound Emporium is currently undergoing a total remodel of control room A which should be completed by the end of this month, according to engineer Gary Laney. The new room will feature a Neve 8128 console, Studer recorders, new monitors (brand undecided at press time) and an additional \$30,000 in outboard gear and microphones. Although the studio is best known for its country clientele, rock bookings are also on the upswing with local bands Civic Duty and Citizen Earth in cutting tracks in past months.

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Audiovisions' Control Room A, Louisville, Kentucky

bined mastering room and remix facility has done quite well recently, says manager Hank Williams. "Business is really good," Williams explains. "The remix room is one year old now, and people really fall in love with the monitoring system, which is an all-cone, four-way system built by Claude Fortier. Since the room is large and open, it's also becoming very popular for synth and overdub business." A few clients who have used the room include Dolly Parton, Shelley West, Restless Heart (a new act on RCA), and the new MTM (Mary Tyler Moore)

label based in Nashville.

The purchase of a 3M digital system by Treasure Isle in Nashville has turned out to be a good move, according to Richard Stevens who says business has improved tremendously in spite of the fact that Castle Recording has another 3M system nearby. "Actually it helps us, because when their system is booked people can still come to us and vice-versa. Having a compatible machine in town is really helpful." Recent projects at the studio include Emmy Lou Harris tracking and overdubbing for her

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An authentic stone structure, The Castle stands majestically atop a knoll, surrounded by cedar trees on a six-acre tract, bordered by a river, off a rural road only 20 minutes outside Nashville.

Local legend has it that The Castle, built about 1930, was once a gambling casino that doubled as a hideout for gangsters such as Al Capone. Later it was converted into a well-known restaurant where its clientele was said to have included Betty Grable, Bob Hope, Spencer Tracy and other such guests.

A half century later, celebrities continue to come to The Castle, but for a much different type of experience. Now, the real beauty of the edifice is found in its sound.

When exposed, the old thick stone walls of the mansion are admired for their exceptional crisp tone, and the elegantly carpeted floors and heavy drapery for their effectiveness in deadening the main room as it traces tracks for master recordings.

The double glass windows and doors that span the space between the stone walls securely capture the rich sounds emanating from Music City's first completely digital multi-track recording studio.

"It's a link between the past and the future—a tension that is necessary in the creative process," says co-owner Ann Nuyens when describing The Castle's atmosphere. "What the musicians like here is that they feel free. They can see outside and be influenced by nature."

Nuyens, her husband Josef, Sr. and 24-year-old son Josef, Jr., own The Castle Recording Studio. Josef Jr. oversees the operation.

The Nuyens family, which also in-

cludes daughter Mimi, a guitar major at a local college, was the first European bluegrass act to tour the U.S. when they embarked from Belgium in 1970. They became so entranced by bluegrass music that they finally immigrated here and began to record.

"We were experienced in all kinds of studios and critical of sound because all our instruments were acoustic," explains Josef, Jr. "What we heard on tape was not what we were hearing ourselves playing." So came the inspiration for buying the family owned and operated recording studio.

Their dedication to purity of sound continued to increase the Nuyens' investment in The Castle, and before long it had expanded into a state-of-the-art 48 track recording facility featuring a synthesizer room (known as the future room) for its Fairlight CMI system. It was in the future room, "where expression comes to life," that the idea for a full production company was conceived.

"We have traveled a lot," Josef, Jr. relates. "We have connections in Los Angeles, England, and New York (where Josef, Sr. once worked on Wall Street), and we know what is happening electronically. The whole point of this business is staying ahead of, rather than keeping up with what's current."

And so, as the result of the Nuyens' philosophy, The Castle has produced Nashville's first fully-digital recording with Deborah Allen's current RCA LP, appropriately entitled "Let Me Be The First."

Others who have recorded at The Castle include: Emmylou Harris, John Schneider, Reba McEntire, Dolly Parton, Ricky Skaggs, The Whites, Earl Thomas Conley, members of Culture Club, Freeze (from England), Leon Russell, Elton John's band, and The Castle production company's New York-based band Film at Eleven. Also, the soundtrack from the Dolly Parton/Burt Reynolds' motion picture "The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas" came from The Castle.

—Rose Clayton

Ballad of Sally Rose LP, jingles for Budweiser and Ford trucks, and producer Terry Manning working with Jason & the Scorchers and Molly Hatchet.

The Benson Company's Great Circle Sound in Nashville has had nearly round the clock bookings reports spokesman Greg Fisher. One interesting session, of overdubs for Sambi Patti's *Song from the Heart* album on Impact Records required a 39 piece string session. Another noteworthy point is that the LP (which has been nominated for a Grammy Award) is quite possibly the first contemporary Christian album to be released on CD.

Sound Stage Recording Studios in Nashville has acquired two Mitsubishi X-800 32-track digital recorders, one of which will be kept at the studio full time, the other will float among MCA-Nashville president Jimmy Bowen's various projects around town. Bowen has worked at Sound Stage's second room—dubbed The Backstage—for several years now, and is a longtime advocate of digital recording.

Nashville-based producer/studio executive Norbert Putnam has formed Studio Standard Systems, a company to design and equip recording studios. The firm's first project is the design and development of Digital Recorders a \$2 million, 7200 square foot completely digital recording complex planned for Nashville's Melrose area. The facility, designed by Putnam and architect Robert Anderson, will feature two automated studios with digital multitracks, and should be on-line by this July.

DIY Recording, in nearby Hendersonville, Tennessee went 24 track last summer and has since picked up a lot of business, especially in the area of jingle and rock and roll recording. Recent projects include Eric Saxon cutting some tracks, and Ron Fairchild producing newcomers Williams & Ree. The studio was part of an historic session when they packed up one of their consoles and followed the Oak Ridge Boys to mix a live concert in Merrillville, Indiana, broadcast live (in AM stereo) by WMAQ radio in Chicago.

Also in Hendersonville, at Acorn Sound, the Oak Ridge Boys' studio, the Oaks completed their 12th album, tentatively titled *Step On Out* in January. Steve Cropper and Razy Bailey were in earlier cutting some song demos together. And last September the studio played host to an LEDE workshop/seminar sponsored by Valley Audio. The event was a resounding success and exposed a packed house of engineers, producers and studio owners to the design technology the studio showcases.

Audiovisions, in Louisville, Kentucky, opened about a year and a half ago, and has done quite well since.

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Studio Manager: Bill Stevens

•• ACOUSTIC CREATIONS
6307 Jasper Rd., Greensboro, NC 27409
(919) 294-1785
Owner: Kip Williams
Studio Manager: Kip Williams

•• ALPHA RECORDING
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Owner: Alpha Recording
Studio Manager: Jim Cottrell

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Macon Mall, Macon GA 31206
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Owner: Edward Vance
Studio Manager: Edward Vance

•• AMBERWOOD RECORDING STUDIO
12538 Cavalier Dr., Woodbridge, VA 22192
(703) 494-0234
Owner: Jim Williams
Studio Manager: Jim Williams

•• AMERICAN SOUND STUDIO
827 Thomas, Memphis, TN 38107
(901) 525-0540
Owner: Glotite Enterprises
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24 Music Square West, Nashville, TN 37203
(615) 383-6306
Owner: Nick Archer

•• AUDIO ARTS RECORDING COMPANY
also REMOTE RECORDING
Rt. 1 Box 59, Hwy 43 North, Greenville NC 27834
Owner: Lewis Gidley, Sonny Johnson
Studio Manager: Sonny Johnson
Engineers: Lewis Gidley
Dimensions of Studios: Studio A: 24 x 16 x 10; Studio B: 11 x 12 x 7.
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 13 x 13 x 8.
Tape Recorders: TEAC/Tascam 80-8 w/dbx 8 track, TEAC/Tascam 22-2 w/dbx 1/2 track; TEAC 2300 SX 1/4 track.
Mixing Consoles: TEAC/Tascam 5B 8 in/4 out.

Monitor Amplifiers: Ampzilla.
Monitor Speakers: JBL 4311, Auratone 5C
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Sound Workshop 211C, DeltaLab ADM 1024 Electron, DeltaLab Echotron 256-4096.
Other Outboard Equipment: Aphex Aural Exciter Type B, (2) dbx model 160x compressors; (2) dbx model 163 compressor, (2) dbx model 164 compressor 200 MXR dual 1.5 band EQ, Valley People HH 2x2 Interface; Symetrix SG-200 dual signal gate
Microphones: Shure SM58; Shure SM57; AKG D12E, AKG D200E, (2) Sennheiser MD 421, Sony ECM 23F; Electro-Voice PL76, others available on request.
Instruments Available: on request.
Rates: \$30.00/hr basic specialty rates for large or special projects. Please call for competitive prices

•• AUDIO CRAFT
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(404) 636-5051
Owner: Henry Howard
Studio Manager: Henry Howard

•• AUDIOIMAGE RECORDING
also REMOTE RECORDING
210 East Franklin St., Richmond, VA 23219
(804) 644-7700
Owner: AudioImage Productions Inc
Studio Manager: John Rountree, John Valentine

•• AUTHORIZED MUSIC INC.
RT. 1 Box 360A Lot 44C, Keithville, LA 71047
(318) 925-0466
Owner: Chrsty Fisher, Donald Jones, Micheal Jones
Studio Manager: Chrsty Fisher, Hank Wilson

•• BALL TELEVISION GROUP
1101 N. Fulton Avenue, Evansville, IN 47710
(812) 428-2300
Owner: Martin A. Ball, President
Studio Manager: Dan Wiesjahn

•• BIRDLAND STUDIO
3116 Sandlin Rd. S.W., Decatur, AL 35601
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Owner: Owen Brown, James Murphree
Studio Manager: Owen Brown

•• BLACK & SILVER STUDIO
3608 Hidden Acres Drive, Atlanta, GA 30340
(404) 934-3048
Owner: James L. Lanier
Studio Manager: James L. Lanier, Charles Nelson

•• BONNER JINGLES
1110 16th Ave., South, Nashville, TN 37212
(615) 256-0440
Owner: The Franklin Group
Studio Manager: Jerry Atip

•• BOONE STUDIO
313 Highland Ave., Albany GA 31701
(912) 436-6508
Owner: Jesse Boone
Studio Manager: Jesse Boone

•• BRIGHT STAR STUDIO
3117 Bright Star Road, Douglasville, GA 30135
(404) 949-6335
Owner: Theresa & Mick Butorac
Studio Manager: Mick Butorac

•• CAMPMEETING PRODUCTIONS
200 Hwy 90 East, Pace, FL 32570
(904) 994-7131
Owner: Pace Assembly Ministries, Inc.
Studio Manager: Greg Broxson

•• CAPULATION
2022 Colfax Ave., Memphis, TN 38116
(901) 396-9790
Owner: Brian Phillips
Studio Manager: Demnio Mondor, Jamie Doe, Cherr

•• CARSON TOWNE RECORDING
also REMOTE RECORDING
P.O. Box 5485, Old Wilkesboro Rd., Statesville, NC 28677
(704) 872-1619
Owner: Kent Wooten, Mike Daniels, Beth Warren
Studio Manager: Kent Wooten

•• CELEBRITY STUDIOS
1910 Karl St., Arabi, LA 70032
(504) 277-5687
Owner: Steve Esponge
Studio Manager: George Artiques

•• CHAMP SOUND
also REMOTE RECORDING
1705 Church St., Nashville, TN 37203
(615) 327-2979
Owner: Jim Stanton
Studio Manager: Jim Stanton

•• CLASSIC SOUND & RECORDINGS, INC.
14130 Coral Way, Largo, FL 33541
(813) 531-6356
Owner: Walter T. Priest
Studio Manager: Bobby Farrell

•• COLEY RECORDING STUDIO
P.O. Box 1529, Carrollton, GA 30117
(404) 832-0616
Owner: Phil Coley

•• COMMUNICATION ENTERPRISES, INC.
also REMOTE RECORDING
P.O. Box 4205, 2116 South Memorial Parkway
Huntsville, AL 35802
Owner: Tom Linscott, Charles Snoddy
Studio Manager: Charles Snoddy

•• COMMUNION COMMUNICATIONS
P.O. 11582, Memphis, TN 38111
(901) 683-1919
Owner: Rick Tarrant
Studio Manager: Rick Tarrant

•• DAVROY RECORDING
also REMOTE RECORDING
2427 Kingsley Dr. N.E., Marietta, GA 30062
(404) 973-9536
Owner: Roy Franco, David Hobbs
Studio Manager: Roy Franco, David Hobbs

•• DRAGON PATH
also REMOTE RECORDING
3594 Marion St., Smyrna, GA 30309
(404) 874-0903
Owner: Frank French

•• FLORIDA MUSIC SALES, INC.
8370 W. Flagler St., Suite 230, Miami, FL 33144
(305) 223-1205
Owner: Art Weissman

•• FULL SKY RECORDING
P.O. Box 261072, Tampa, FL 33685
(813) 886-1892
Owner: Michael A. Normandau
Studio Manager: Michael A. Normandau

•• FXL SOUND STUDIOS
7766 NW 44 St., Sunrise, FL 33321
(305) 741-7766
Owner: Frank X. Locoonto

•• GALAXY SOUND RECORDING STUDIOS
also REMOTE RECORDING
1508 Harlem, Memphis, TN 38114
(901) 274-2726
Owner: GCS Communications Inc
Studio Manager: Larry Henderson

•• GIZMO RECORDING INC.
308 Talahi Rd., Vienna, VA 22180
(703) 938-6692
Owner: Bob Dunbar

•• GOLDBAND
313 Church St., Lake Charles, LA 70601
(318) 439-8839
Owner: Eddie Shuler
Studio Manager: Jeff Le Jeune

•• GOPHER CREEK AUDIO
1331 NE 119 St., N. Miami, FL 33177
(305) 251-8231
Owner: Gary A. Schmitt, Bob Smith
Studio Manager: Gary A. Schmitt
Engineers: Gary A. Schmitt, Kathy Modlin, Ed Dukstein
Dimensions of Studios: 30 x 30
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 30 x 18
Tape Recorders: MCI/Ampex JH-5 8 1/2", Tascam Series 70 8H
8-1/2", MCI/Ampex JH-5 4-1/2", MCI/Ampex JH-5 2-1/4"
Mixing Consoles: (2) Tascam Model 5 16 x 8
Monitor Amplifiers: BGW 750 monitor, Yamaha P2050 cue
system
Monitor Speakers: JBL 4312, TOA cubes, Minimus 0 3's
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Lexicon PCM 60, Korg
digital delay, Roland tape delay, MXR flanger/doubler
Other Outboard Equipment: UREI 1176 limiter, dbx 160 &
160x UREI & Orban Para EQs, Aphex Aural Exciter
Microphones: Neumann U47 & 67 (tube), Sennheiser 421, Shure
SM57, PZM's, AKG D12E, Asst. Beyer, AKG, Audio-Technica
and Shure
Instruments Available: Harrington 5'8" grand, Rhodes, Linn
Drum, Gretsch studio drums
Rates: Our rates are what we feel are the best in Southern Florida
Call for special advertising and songwriter discounts

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419 Lanier Lane, Winter Haven, FL 33880
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Owner: Charlie Massey

•• HEARTH PRODUCTIONS
3608 Woodmont Blvd., Nashville, TN 37215
(615) 297-6292
Owner: Dunkin Nelson
Studio Manager: Erik Thorsen

•• HOFFMAN MUSIC
also REMOTE RECORDING
1723 W. Innes St., Salisbury, NC 28144
(704) 636-5670
Owner: Sandy Hoffman
Studio Manager: Sandy Hoffman

•• HOMESTEAD RECORDING STUDIO
RT. 1 Box 1097, Norton VA 24273
(703) 679-4182
Owner: Ron Swindall
Studio Manager: Ron Swindall

•• HORIZON PRODUCTIONS
1010 West Platt St., Tampa, FL 33606
(813) 254-3399
Owner: Robert Stephenson
Studio Manager: Philip Schwarz

•• HORIZON RECORDING ARTS STUDIO
2607 Eastland Ave., Nashville, TN 37206
(615) 226-2227
Owner: Richard Owens

•• HUMMINGBIRD RECORDINGS
113-A Nelson Avenue, Melbourne, FL 32935
(305) 259-6576
Owner: John Foley
Studio Manager: John Foley

•• IDH RECORDING
also REMOTE RECORDING
6804 Starkenburg Lane, Memphis, TN 38115
(716) 795-5048
Owner: Israel Hill
Studio Manager: Israel Hill

•• IMAGES INC.
also REMOTE RECORDING
1662 Stockton St., Jacksonville, FL 32204
(904) 388-3300
Owner: John B. Reitzammer
Studio Manager: Mark Grandin

•• ISLAND SOUNDS RECORDING STUDIO
also REMOTE RECORDING
River Rd., John's Island, SC 29455
(803) 559-1177
Owner: Steve Green, Tim McKeivlin
Studio Manager: Steve Green

•• J.B.G. AUDIO PRODUCTION
425 St. Rose Ave., St. Rose, LA 70087
(504) 468-9200
Owner: Bob Hummaugh
Studio Manager: Glenn Hummaugh

•• J.B.S. STUDIO
106 N. Avondale Rd., Avondale Estates, GA 30002
(404) 296-0604
Owner: Brad Jones
Studio Manager: Ethelle Fitch

Engineers: Brad Jones, Dan Vaganek
Dimensions of Studios: 40 feet wide x 50 feet deep with 22
foot ceilings. Two isolation booths 5 x 12
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 21 feet deep x 25 feet wide
Tape Recorders: Otari MX 5050, MK-III 8-1/2", Otari MTR 12
2-1/4", Otari MX 5050 2-1/4", Revox A-700 2-1/4"
Mixing Consoles: Speck E 01 Speckmix 16 16 x 8
Monitor Amplifiers: Crest, Haller
Monitor Speakers: Custom designed. There is no room equaliza-
tion. The monitors are flat without EQ. We also have Auratones
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Lexicon 200 digital reverb,
Audio Digital TC 2 digital delay, DeltaLab ADM 1024, DeltaLab
ADM 64 digital delay
Other Outboard Equipment: Eventide 949 Harmonizer, Valley
People Kepex, Valley People Maxi-Q, DynaMite De-esser, dbx
165a Compressor/Limiter, 160X Compressor/Limiters, 163 Com-
pressor/Limiters, Aphex Aural Exciter Type B
Microphones: Neumann U87, KM84, AKG 414, 460, 452,
Sennheiser 421, 441, Electro-Voice Re-20, Crown PZM, Shure
SM-57, SM-58, Beyer MD-400, Sony ECM 50PS, Shure head-
phone mike, Sennheiser MKH-815 Shotgun
Instruments Available: Conover 1928 5' baby grand piano
complete drum kit, Music Man bass guitar
Video Equipment & Services: Sony 5850 1/4" video cassette
recorder, Sony 5800 3/4" video cassette player, Sony HM 440
Video editing controller, BTX shadow synchronization system. The
Otari MX-5050 8 track can be locked to follow the Sony 5850 1/4"
video cassette recorder, thereby allowing video sweetening.
Rates: 8-Track - \$35/hr, video sweetening - \$50/hr; video editing
\$30/hr

•• JOBE SOUND STUDIO
also REMOTE RECORDING
Rt. 8, Box 433, Corinth, MS 38834
(601) 287-9538
Owner: Joseph A. Jobe
Studio Manager: Joseph A. Jobe

•• AL JOLSON ENTERPRISES, INC.
MASTERLINK STUDIO
also REMOTE RECORDING
31 Music Sq. West, Nashville, TN 37203
(615) 242-1580
Owner: Albert Jolson
Studio Manager: Albert Jolson
Engineers: Charles Lyon
Dimensions of Studios: 15 x 18, drum booth 5 x 12
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 15 x 18
Tape Recorders: Studer B-67 2; Studer A-80 2&4; Otari MX 50
50 8, Nagra 4 S 2

Mixing Consoles: Studiomixer 16 x 8, Studer 169 8 x 4
Monitor Amplifiers: (2) Studer A-68 main monitors, (3) Yamaha
P 20-50 aux monitors & cue system
Monitor Speakers: Westlake BBSM 10, Yamaha NS-10 M
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Lexicon model 200 digital
reverb, Yamaha analog delay
Other Outboard Equipment: Symetrix Limiter/Compressor
150, 501, 522, Otari DP 40-50 high speed cassette dupe. Denon
real time dupe
Microphones: AKG 452, Neumann U87, K84, (3) Shure SM57;
Sennheiser 421, Countryman EM 101, (4) Audio Technica
various
Instruments Available: Yamaha Electric, Baby Grand; Slinger-
land drums
Video Equipment & Services: Minolta K 800 S AF
Rates: Studio \$25/hr with engineer. Duplication rates: high speed
- C 7 \$1.78 to C-90 \$2.13. Real Time - C 10 \$2.44 to C-120
\$7.55. Bulk rates available

•• KENTUCKY DEPT. OF THE ARTS
Berry Hill Mansion, Frankfort, KY 40601
(502) 564-8076
Owner: Kentucky Dept. of the Arts
Studio Manager: Fred Gooding

•• KEYNOTE RECORDING
1468 Old Salem Rd., Conyers, GA 30208
(404) 483-9508
Owner: Sam Trama
Studio Manager: Sam Trama

•• LA LOUISIANNE
also REMOTE RECORDING
711 Stevenson St., Lafayette, LA 70501
(318) 234-5577, 984-6924
Owner: Carol J. Hachou, Sr.
Studio Manager: Carol J. Hachou, Jr.

•• LEATHERWOOD SOUND
also REMOTE RECORDING
4107 Bynum-Leatherwood Rd., Anniston, AL 36206
(205) 238-1038
Owner: Kevin Freeman, Mike Callis
Studio Manager: Mike Callis, Kevin Freeman

•• L-7 STUDIOS
273 NW 1 St. #30, Deerfield Beach, FL 33441
(305) 427-1836
Owner: Bob & Jill Wlos
Studio Manager: Bob Hupe

•• LINALE SOUND STUDIO
1995 N.E. 150 St., N. Miami, FL 33181
(305) 944-1006
Owner: Frank Linale
Studio Manager: Randy Bird

•• LOST RIVER RECORDING STUDIO
631 N. 9th St., Paducah, KY 42001
(502) 444-7594
Owner: Clyde Wood
Studio Manager: Andy Wood
Engineers: Laddie Wood
Dimensions of Studios: Studio A 14 x 12, Studio B 12 x 7
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 9 x 12
Tape Recorders: TEAC 3340S 4 track, TEAC 3300S 2 track,
TEAC A-170 cassette, Technics M270X cassette, Panasonic
RS-808 8 track cartridge
Mixing Consoles: Tapco (4 mixers in 6' console) 6000H series,
24 in x 4 out, TEAC/Tascam Model 1, TEAC meter bridge MB20
Monitor Amplifiers: Crown D 60
Monitor Speakers: Custom built, also cubes
Other Outboard Equipment: dbx 155, (4 track), dbx 152 (2
track), Dolby, (8 track tapes), (6) AKG K-140 headphones
Microphones: Audio-Technica AT 813, Shure 585, E-V DS-35,
Barcus Berry 1355 guitar transducer
Instruments Available: Baldwin Acrosonic piano, Fender-
Rhodes piano-bass, synthesizer, electric piano, small organ, Leslie
tone cabinet, Fender Bandmaster amp, Fender Bassman amp, two
Sunn amps, 6 & 12 string Alvarez acoustic guitars, bass guitar,
Gibson classic guitar, steel guitar, violin, conga drums, percussion
(All instruments in studio)
Rates: Call or write for prices

•• LUNDY RECORDING STUDIO
P.O. Box 485, Barbourville, KY 40906
(606) 546-6650
Owner: David Duane, Wuran Lundy
Studio Manager: David Lundy
Engineers: W.D. Lundy, D.D. Lundy, D.A. Lundy
Dimensions of Studios: 24 x 30

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Dimensions of Control Rooms: 12 x 20.
Tape Recorders: Scully 284-B 8; Ampex AG-440-B 2; Ampex 351-2 2; Ampex AG-600-B 2.
Mixing Consoles: Interface 308-B 24 x 8; Sony MX-20 8 x 4.
Monitor Amplifiers: McIntosh, Southwest Tech.
Monitor Speakers: E.V., Altec, JBL 4311
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Mechanical Fairchilds, Tapco.
Other Outboard Equipment: LA2-A's, LA3-A's; Ashly Audio SC-5; UREI Dual Graphic EQ 535; Sansui Cassette Deck.
Microphones: Neumann U47s, U48s; RCA 77DX, Electro-Voice; Beyers; AKG; Shure; Sony; 20 in all.
Instruments Available: 6'8" Chickering sound piano; Fender amps, Peavey amps, Korg Poly-800; Baldwin organ and one full drum set.
Video Equipment & Services: Tape duplication Ampex BLM 200 plus 5 slaves method of duplication; Bin Loop, tape used 3M/Ampex/Capitol tape Duplicating Speed: 32-1 King loader.
Rates: Upon request.

•• **MARIAH RECORDING**
also **REMOTE RECORDING**
Village Green Mall, Hattiesburg, MS 39401
(601) 545-1886
Owner: Vaughn Wilson
Studio Manager: Vaughn Wilson

•• **MAUW-BOGGS RECORDINGS**
667-669 Hawthorne, Memphis, TN 38107
(901) 278-5003
Owner: Bobby Davis, Vikki Davis, Tom Davis
Studio Manager: Bobby Davis

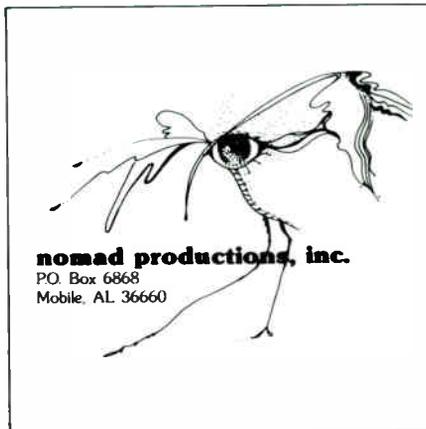
•• **MAYS COUNTRY DEMOS**
340 North Broadway, Georgetown, KY 40324
(502) 863-1533
Owner: Elmer L. Jones
Studio Manager: Norman L. Mays

•• **MCDONALD SOUND**
2808 Napier Ave., P.O. Box 2186, Macon, GA 31204
(912) 746-9308
Owner: Ray McDonald
Studio Manager: Ray McDonald

•• **MEMPHIS SOUND PRODUCTIONS**
also **REMOTE RECORDING**
2850 Lamb Place, Suite #5, Memphis, TN 38118
(901) 363-3856
Owner: John E. McDowell, Tim Goodwin, John L. Fleskes
Studio Manager: Tim Goodwin
Engineers: John McDowell, Tim Goodwin, John Fleskes
Dimensions of Studios: Main 24 x 24 x 12; Drum: 13 x 12 x 8, Isolation: 8 x 8 x 8.
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 14 x 13 x 9
Tape Recorders: Tascam 38 8, (2) Studer/Revox PR99 2; Tascam A3440 4; Recordex Cassette Duplicator Super Pro H ST 1 2.
Mixing Consoles: Tascam M-50 12 x 8 x 2; Tascam M-30 8 x 4 x 2, Soundcraft 4008 32 x 8 x 2.
Monitor Amplifiers: McIntosh MC2300, BGW 250; UREI 6250; Kenwood KA701.
Monitor Speakers: JBL 4430, Infinity RS10, B&O Ref.
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Ursa Major 8 x 32; Lexicon PCM60, Aphex Aural Extier; (2) DeltaLab Timelines; Effectron 1024; DOD Dual-Delay; Yamaha analog delay; dbx (4) 903 comp., (2) 904 gates, 8ch. 150 noise red., (2) 911; Orban Para-EQ.; JVC Analyzer; Hall Eng. test set.
Other Outboard Equipment: Huge PA to pull gear from.
Microphones: Neumann U47, U89; AKG C452E8, D12E; (7) Sennheiser MD421; EV RE20; (3) DS35, Shure (14) 57s, (8) 58s, SM5B, SM81, PZM, Stereo Hot-Plate; (2) Countryman.
Instruments Available: LinnDrum w/memory ext.; Korg Poly-61; Wurliizer studio grand; Wurliizer electric piano; Pearl drums w/Zildjans and Sonor pedal, Pre-CBS Fender Bassman.
Video Equipment & Services: 1/2" Stereo w/Dolby JVC; newvicon JVC camera; Tiling; PA 32 x 32 x 32 for crowds to 50,000; Staff writers, arrangers, production, musicians, singers.
Rates: \$40/hr including all gear, inst. Block rates available.

•• **MONOLITH PRODUCTIONS**
6541 Powers Ave., Jacksonville, FL 32217
(904) 246-7288
Owner: Jesus Cabarrus, Jr.
Studio Manager: Carlos Carreras Rodnriez

•• **NEW BEGINNING SOUND**
2847 Bob-O-Link Dr., Macon, GA 31206
(912) 788-3388
Owner: Harold E. Thomas
Studio Manager: Harold E. Thomas



NOMAD PRODUCTIONS
Mobile, AL

•• **NOMAD PRODUCTIONS**
also **REMOTE RECORDING**
P.O. Box 6868, Mobile, AL
(205) 479-2769
Owner: Nomad Productions, Inc
Studio Manager: Barry L. Little
Extras: We specialize in classical music recording. We have produced numerous radio programs including "Second Saturday Series," a live poetry, prose, short story reading plus jazz bands, "Music in Mobile", featuring the Mobile and Eastern Shore Chamber Music Seasons, and "Alabama Tale-Telling Festival", an annual event in Selma, Alabama featuring story tellers from across the nation

•• **OAK GROVE STUDIO**
Box 338, Eastville, VA. 23347
(804) 678-5300
Owner: Ed Johnston
Studio Manager: Ed Johnston
Engineers: Ed Johnston, independents welcome
Dimensions of Studios: 26 x 12
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 24 x 18
Tape Recorders: MCI 110C one inch 8, MCI 110B 1/2 inch 2; NAD 6050C cassette.
Mixing Consoles: Ramsa WR 8816
Monitor Amplifiers: Yamaha, NAD (cue system).
Monitor Speakers: JBL, AKG 240 headphones (6 pairs)
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Lexicon 224-X reverb, DeltaLab DL-2 stereo delay with flanging capabilities Tape echo.
Other Outboard Equipment: Valley People Kepex II (6) and Gain Brain II (3); MCI JH-22 phase meter, dbx 20-20 computerized equalizer analyzer with RTA display, Countryman direct boxes (3), 150' custom 27 input snake with gold-plated connections.
Microphones: Neumann, AKG, Sennheiser, Shure.
Instruments Available: Yamaha DX7, LinnDrum machine, Ludwig drums with Zildjian cymbals, modified Fender Stratocaster, Martin 12 string, Peavey TS-40 bass, Marshall and Vox Super Beatle guitar amps, Peterson Strobe Tuner, Morley Wah-Wah.
Rates: 8 Track — \$15/hour
Extras: We are located on a 170 acre farm in a relaxed country setting. The house is old colonial dating back to 1750 and overlooks a creek. Clients like to walk around the farm and look at and/or make friends with our foals and horses
Direction: Our direction is quality work at wholesale prices and repeat business because of same. Give us a call.

•• **JACK O'DIAMONDS RECORDING STUDIO**
4201 Central Pike, Hermitage, TN 37076
(615) 883-9600
Owner: Alex Zanets
Studio Manager: Jon "Mr. 813" D'Amelio

•• **RICK PAINTER SOUND STUDIO**
also **REMOTE RECORDING**
2826 Iroquois Avenue, Jacksonville, FL 32210
(904) 388-7649
Owner: Rick Painter
Studio Manager: Donna Painter

•• **PARADIGM PRODUCTIONS**
P.O. Box 1968 Americus, GA 31709
(912) 273-5646
Owner: John Waldron
Studio Manager: John Waldron

•• **THE PERFECT MIX GOSPEL STUDIO**
also **REMOTE RECORDING**
P.O. Box 18, Clothier, W.VA 25047
(304) 369-4394
Owner: Timothy Williams
Studio Manager: Timothy Williams

•• **PERFORMANCE PRODUCTIONS, INC.**
1303 Spring Street N.W., Atlanta, GA 30309
(404) 892-7536
Owner: Glenn Wisenbaker

•• **PINK PELICAN MUSIC CO.**
2908 Edenwood St., Clearwater, FL 33519
(813) 799-0661
Owner: Paula Sili
Studio Manager: Tom Klepacki

•• **PM MUSIC PRODUCTIONS**
268 John Wayne Dr., Lafayette, LA 70508
(318) 234-2490
Owner: Paul Mulioletto
Studio Manager: Paul Mulioletto

•• **PRINCESS BRIDE STUDIO**
also **REMOTE RECORDING**
1308 Via de Luna, Pensacola Beach, FL 32561
(904) 932-3221
Owner: Dave White
Studio Manager: Dave White

•• **PROJECT 70 AUDIO SERVICES, INC.**
also **REMOTE RECORDING**
777 Lambert Drive N.E., Atlanta, GA 30324
(404) 875-7000
Owner: Jerry L. Connell, John G. Harrill
Studio Manager: Jerry L. Connell

•• **PROTRACKS**
75 Steele Road, Covington, GA 30209
(404) 786-1397
Owner: Steve Jeffries
Studio Manager: Steve Jeffries



REEL PRODUCTIONS & ASSOCIATES, INC.
Shreveport, LA

•• **REEL PRODUCTIONS & ASSOCIATES, INC.**
also **REMOTE RECORDING**
701 Suite A Jordan St., Shreveport, LA 71101
(318) 227-1200
Owner: Robert C. Smith, Robert C. Green
Studio Manager: Rob Smith
Engineers: Total of 3 (Audio Production Studio) Rob Smith, Chief engineer

Dimensions of Studios: 12 x 17 M.C. Room, 10 x 9 Booths (3)

Dimensions of Control Rooms: 12 x 17, 10 x 15 sub-control
Tape Recorders: MCI JH-110-B's ¼" 2 track, 110-B-4 ½" 2 and 4 track, 110-B-8, 1" 8 track, Ampex AG series AG-350, 351 full and 2 track.

Mixing Consoles: Harris Corp. Executive 30'S, Yamaha M916 32/4.

Monitor Amplifiers: BGW-100-01-B x 2, ATI- Headphone amps x 2; McIntosh 2205 x 1.

Monitor Speakers: JBL 4311-BX x 4.

Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Lexicon T93, Eventide FL-201; Orban 111B reverb.

Other Outboard Equipment: ADR vocal stressors, dbx 165's, 162's compressors/limiters, dbx noise reduction 180's (4); Compellor, Orban parametric EQ dual channel, ACG 411, Valley People 430 processor; UHEI equalization 537.

Microphones: U-87's, AKG 414 EB, AKG, 452-EB, Sennheiser 816, 416, 441, E-V RE20's, 635A, RCA BX77, Superscope EC-9P's, Beyer MCE-5's, Tram mic system, E V 655's, Crown PZM-61.P

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Mixing Consoles: Sound Workshop Series 30 16 x 8

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 Mixing Consoles: Soundcraft 400B 16 x 8
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 Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Lexicon PCM 42 Digital Delay, Urban Stereo Reverb 111B
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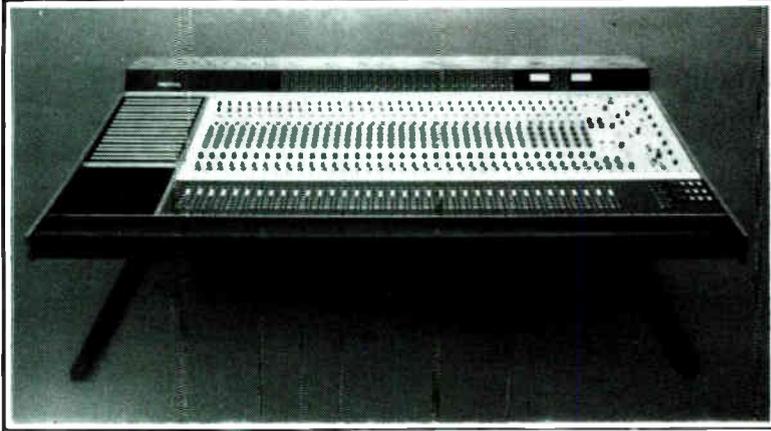
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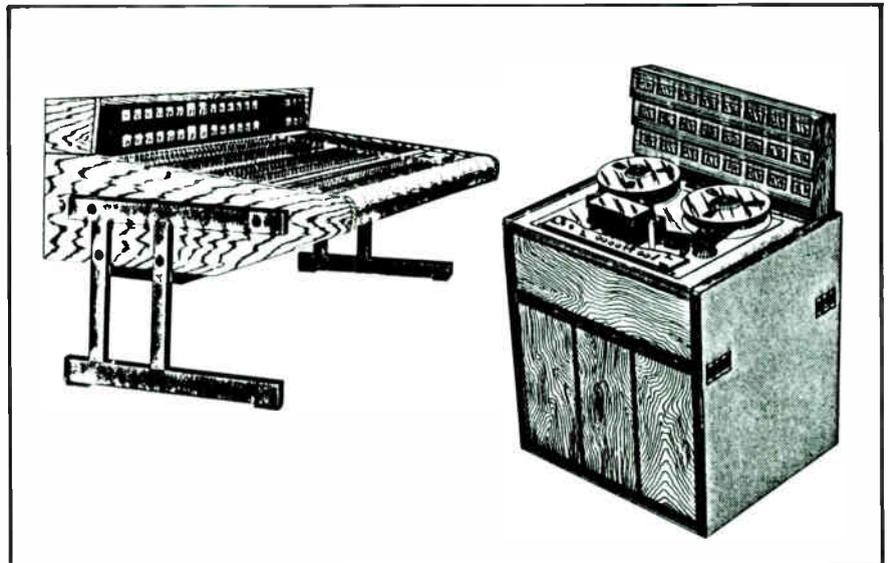
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Mixing Consoles: Canary 32 x 8; Soundcraft 12 x 4; Yamaha PM-700 & Yamaha EM-300 12 x 4; Tascam M-520.
Monitor Amplifiers: Yamaha 2200, (2) BGW 750s, (6) Crown DC-300As & D-75s.
Monitor Speakers: JBL 4312; Custom MR. O 52T triamp.
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Eventide H-910 Harmonizer, Lexicon Super Prime Time 97, EXR Exciter, Sound Workshop vocal doubler, Yamaha digital reverb, (2) Eventide Harmonizers.
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Monitor Speakers: JBL, Auratones
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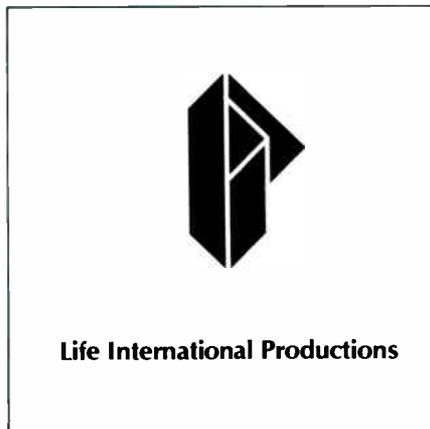
••• JY RECORDING
201 Trenton, West Monroe, LA (mailing address)
3706 Gouville, Monroe, LA 71201
(318) 325-4413 or 323-0805
Owner: James E. Young
Studio Manager: James E. Young

••• KEY RECORDING STUDIO
2969 Edison Ave., Jacksonville, FL 32205
(904) 388-TAPE
Owner: John L. Key II
Studio Manager: David Pittman

••• LAKE BRADFORD STUDIOS
also REMOTE RECORDING
2195 Lake Bradford Rd., Tallahassee, FL 32304
(904) 576-4741
Owner: Charlie Roberts
Studio Manager: Reg Furlough

••• LAMON SOUND STUDIO
also REMOTE RECORDING
6870 A Newell Hickory Grove Rd., Charlotte, NC 28212
(704) 537-0133
Owner: Dwight I. Moody Jr. & sons
Studio Manager: David Moody
Engineers: David Floyd, David Moody
Dimensions of Studios: A- 20 x 30 (also a fully sealed, 10 x 12, comfortable isolation booth, and a special, very live, percussion annex), B: 10 x 8
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 18 x 20.
Tape Recorders: MCI JH 100 w/Autolocator 16 track; Ampex AG 440B 2 track; Technics SL-1500LIS 2 track; TEAC X-7 2 track, Kenwood KX-1030 cassette
Mixing Consoles: MCI JH 400 (light meters), 24 in x 24 out, console has been extensively modified with reciprocal mid-band EQ, channel mutes, mike padding, individual buss/tape return solos, large producer's desk, stop clock
Monitor Amplifiers: Yamaha P-2201, Symetnx HA 10Bs
Monitor Speakers: Control Room E-V Sentry V, JBL 4401s, Auratone 5C, other JBLs available. Studio: E-V Sentry V, AKG, Koss, and Sennheiser headphones
Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: AKG BX10, H-910 Harmonizer
Other Outboard Equipment: (3) UREI 1176LN limiters, Orban 622B, H 910 keyboard for Harmonizer, Technics SL1200 turntables, Wollensak 2770 tape duplicator
Microphones: (4) AKG C-414, (2) C-451 w/accessories, (2) E-V RE-20s, (4) 635-As, (2) Shure SM-81s, AKG D1000, D750, Shure 545SD, Sescrom direct
Instruments Available: Yamaha 6' conservatory grand, Slingerland drums, conga and various percussion instruments, Fender bass and electric guitars, Martin acoustic, various Guild guitars, amps, and Oberheims (rental), many other instruments available on loan or rent from related company, Oberheim drum machine.
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Studio Manager: Gerald Lewis



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Studio Manager: Rodger Shrack
Engineers: Theo French, Roger Shrack
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Monitor Speakers: UREI 811 A (mains), Auratone 5C (reference)
Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: AKG BX10E, Real Time delay
Other Outboard Equipment: dbx 160 X compressor, 162 compressor, Orban 622 B parametric, UREI 530 Graphic EQ
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 Owner: Andy Graves
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 220 Railroad Avenue Box 342, Big Stone Gap, VA 24219
 (703) 523-1373
 Owner: Charles Maggard, Alan Maggard
Studio Manager: Charles Maggard
Engineers: Alan Maggard, Charles Maggard and Dirk Johnson
Dimensions of Studios: 30 x 28
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 20 x 13
Tape Recorders: Tascam 85 16 16 track, Revox B 77 2 track, Crown 800 2 track
Mixing Consoles: TEAC Model 15 24 x 8
Monitor Amplifiers: Hafler 500, Crown DC 150, Sony, Pioneer, Kenwood
Monitor Speakers: E V Sentry 500, JBL 4311, Auratones
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Lexicon PCM60 MICMIX Master-Room, HOT Plate, DeltaLab ADM 256, Ibanez Z2 HD 1000, Vesta Fire Digital Delay
Other Outboard Equipment: Ashly limiter/compressors, Vesta Fire limiters, GateX noise gate expanders, Aphex Aural Exciter, Vesta Fire noise gate
Microphones: Shure, E V, Beyer, Sony, Sennheiser, Alter
Instruments Available: 6 ft Yamaha grand piano, stereo Fender Rhodes, Wurliizer electric piano, Crumar string machine, pre CBS Precision Bass, Fender Telecaster, Fender Stratocaster, '58 D-2R Martin guitar, A O Gibson mandolin, Tama drums, Pearl roto toms, 2 Peavey amps, bass monitor amp
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 (904) 376-1688
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 Studio Manager: Bob McPeck

••• **THE MISSISSIPPI RECORDING COMPANY**
 107 N. State St., Jackson, MS 39201
 (601) 354-0857
 Owner: Jerry Puckett
 Studio Manager: Lane Dinkins

••• **MOUNTAIN AIRE RECORDING**
 501 South Roan St., Johnson City, TN 37601
 (615) 926-9491
 Owner: William R. Livesay, Jr.
 Studio Manager: Brian K. Moore

••• **MUSIC RESOURCES**
 805 Shady Glen Court, Franklin TN 37064
 (615) 794-3700
 Owner: Steve Schaffer
Dimensions of Studios: 25 x 20 x 9 1/2
Tape Recorders: Tascam 85-16B 16 track analog tape machine with dbx and remote control, Sony PCM F1 digital 2 track master



recorder; TEAC A-6100 analog 2 track master recorder.
Mixing Consoles: Tascam M-15-B recording console 32 x 32.
Monitor Amplifiers: Sony.
Monitor Speakers: JBL 4311 studio monitors.
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Lexicon Model 200 digital reverb, Loft 450 analog delay.
Other Outboard Equipment: Valley People Gain Brain II (2), Valley People Maxi-Q parametric equalizers (2), White 10 band graphic equalizer, Garfield Electronics "Mini-Doc" sequencer clock interface device, Sony cassette deck, turntable.
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••• **OCEAN OPRY RECORDING STUDIOS**
 8400 W. Hwy. 98, Panama City Beach, FL 32407
 (904) 234-5464
 Owner: Wayne Rader
 Studio Manager: Dennis Rader

••• **PARAGON RECORDING**
 Rt. 13 West Hills #00, Hattiesburg, MS 39401
 Owner: Jeff Everett, Tom Carter
 Studio Manager: Jeff Everett

••• **PICKIN' POST SOUND STUDIOS**
 Watertown Highway, Lebanon, TN 37087
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 Studio Manager: Joe W. Nave

••• **PLAYGROUND RECORDING STUDIO**
 103 Westview Ave., Valparaiso, FL 32580
 (904) 678-7211
 Owner: Finley Duncan
 Studio Manager: Bruce Duncan

••• **PRESTIGE PRODUCTIONS, INC.**
 also **REMOTE RECORDING**
 2717 - 19th St. So., Birmingham, AL 35209
 (205) 871-7328
 Owner: Kenny Wallis, Rick Maze, Henry Strzelecki
 Studio Manager: Kenny Wallis

••• **THE PROCESS RECORDING STUDIOS**
 also **REMOTE RECORDING**
 3404-E West Wendover Ave., Greensboro, NC 27407
 (919) 855-1941
 Owner: The Process Inc
Studio Manager: Adrienne Hardy
Engineers: Ron Schrank, Chief Peter Deane, Adrienne Hardy
Editing & Duplication: Laird Landis Associate
Dimensions of Studios: A 30 x 40 x 16, isolation booth, 12 x 15 x 9, vocal booth, 10 x 9 x 9 B, 10 x 11 x 9
Dimensions of Control Rooms: A 22 x 22 x 14 B 16 x 14 x 9 C 14 x 12 x 9 D 10 x 9 x 9
Tape Recorders: 3M M79 16 track, Tascam 80-8 8 track, Otari MX 5050BQII 4 track, (2) MX 5050BII 2 track, MX 5050 mono track, TEAC A 3300SX 2 track, ITC PD II mono, Technics RS 1500US 2 track, Studer Revox PR-99 2 track, TEAC 122 2 track
Mixing Consoles: Sound Workshop Series 34 26 x 24 automated, Tangent 3216 18/16, TEAC 2B/MB-20 6/4, Tascam M 50 12 x 8
Monitor Amplifiers: UREI

Monitor Speakers: JBL 4430, 4311, Fostex RM 780, Auratone, TOA, Bose, Alterc
Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: MICMIX XL 305, DeltaLab ADM 1024, Loft 440, Lexicon PCM60
Other Outboard Equipment: (3) Technics SL 1800 MK2, (5) TEAC V-35, Orban 526A, (2) Ashly SC 50, (2) Roqer Mayer RM 68, Symetrix SQ-200, Audioarts 4100, Symetrix TI 101, Slantion model 310, Soundcraftsmen 20-12A, Fender SRA 200, Marantz 240, dbx type A on all recorders, Dynaco SE 10 (2) dbx 160X
Microphones: AKG, Sennheiser, Electro Voice, Crown PZM, Shure, Beyer
Instruments Available: 5' grand piano, Fender Rhodes Stage, Crumar Performer, Crumar DS 2, Rogers drums w/Tama hard ware, percussion kit, Fender twin reverb, Yamaha RX 11 drum computer
Rates: Call Adrienne for rates and studio availability

••• **PROGRESSIVE MUSIC STUDIOS**
 also **REMOTE RECORDING**
 2116 Southview Ave., Tampa, FL
 (813) 251-8093
 Owner: Ken Veenstra
 Studio Manager: Ken Veenstra

••• **REAL TO REEL**
 4911B N. Henry Blvd., Stockbridge (Atlanta), GA 30281
 (404) 474-4776
 Owner: Bill Turpin and Mrs. H R Turpin
 Studio Manager: Scott Long and Ed Roland

••• **REEL TIME RECORDING STUDIOS**
 205A Television Circle, Savannah, GA 31406
 (912) 927-1761
 Owner: Phil L. Hadaway III
Studio Manager: Phil L. Hadaway III
Engineers: Phil Hadaway, others available
Dimensions of Studios: A: 30 x 35, B: 15 x 15
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 23 x 21
Tape Recorders: Tascam 48 B track, Tascam 85-16B 16 track, Revox A700 2 track; TEAC A-3300 2 track
Mixing Consoles: Malcolm Hill J-3-24 24 x 8 x 16
Monitor Amplifiers: Hafler-DH500, Crown DC-300A Crown DC-150, Crown D-60
Monitor Speakers: Tannoy SRM-12B, Yamaha NS-10M, UREI 813B, Auratones.
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: SMR-01 digital reverb, MXR-1500 digital delay, Orban reverb, tape delay
Other Outboard Equipment: dbx 160 compressors, Aphex Model B Aural Exciter Furman EQ, Soundcraftsmen EQ, Valley People Dyna-Mite, dbx noise reduction, Crown OC-150 Controller, LT Sound Vocal Eliminator
Microphones: Neumann, Sennheiser, AKG, Sony, Fender, Crown, Beyer, Shure.
Instruments Available: Yamaha G-3 grand piano, Yamaha drums, Simmons SDS-8 drums, LinnDrum computer, Korg Polysix, Yamaha GS-2, Yamaha DX7, Yamaha CS-50, Roland GR-700 guitar synth, Fender guitar amps, Gallien Kruger bass amp, guitars and basses
Video Equipment & Services: 1/2" Beta and VHS available
Rates: 8 track \$35/hr; 16 track \$60/hr

••• **ROSEMONT STUDIO**
 1938 Dumaine St., New Orleans, LA 70116
 (504) 821-8611
 Owner: Al Taylor
 Studio Manager: Al Taylor

••• **SANDCASTLE RECORDING STUDIO**
 also **REMOTE RECORDING**
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 Studio Manager: Gloria Yvette Epley

••• **SATURN SOUND STUDIOS INC.**
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 Owner: Allen Peerson, Clinton Smith
 Studio Manager: James Crockett

••• **SINGLETON SOUND**
 3106 Belmont Blvd., Nashville, TN 37212
 (615) 385-1960
 Owner: The Shelby Singleton Corp
 Studio Manager: John A. Singleton

••• **SNAPPINGER MUSIC**
 Rt. 5 East Lake Circle, Canton, GA 30114
 (404) 442-3300
 Owner: Don R. Bryant
 Studio Manager: Don R. Bryant

•••SOUND CELL
also REMOTE RECORDING
 601 Meridian St., Huntsville, AL 35801
 (205) 539-1868
 Owner: Doug Jansen Smith
 Studio Manager: Doug Jansen Smith

•••SOUND OF BIRMINGHAM RECORDING STUDIOS
also REMOTE RECORDING
 3625 5th Ave. So., Birmingham, AL 35222
 (205) 595-8497
 Owner: Don H. Mosley
 Studio Manager: Charles F. Harnach

•••SOUND LABS
 2319 Fernwood Drive, Greensboro, NC 27408
 (919) 288-0185
 Owner: Sound Labs, Inc.
 Studio Manager: Tom Rowan

•••SOUND LABS, INC.
 5808 Columbia Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041
 (703) 820-2025
 Owner: Roy E. Blair
 Studio Manager: Steve Bramley

•••THE SOUND ROOM, INC.
also REMOTE RECORDING
 325 Patterson Ave., Fort Oglethorpe, GA 30742
 (404) 866-2432
 Owner: Steve Mullinex
 Studio Manager: Steve Mullinex

•••SOUND TRAX, INC. RECORDING STUDIOS AND
 PRODUCTION SERVICES
 1626 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, NC 27608
 (919) 832-9953
 Owner: Sound Trax, Inc.
 Studio Manager: Don Stone

•••SOUTHERN SOUND PRODUCTIONS
also REMOTE RECORDING
 717 Dauphin Island Parkway, Mobile, AL 36606
 (205) 476-1171
 Owner: Jerry Powell
 Studio Manager: Jerry Powell

•••STUDIO B
 1119 Bell St., Montgomery, AL 36104
 (205) 834-6881
 Owner: Harold and Jayonn Bearden
 Studio Manager: Jayonn Bearden

•••STUDIO FOUR RECORDING
also REMOTE RECORDING
 P.O. Box 1686, Albemarle, NC 28001
 (704) 983-2277
 Owner: SFR Services
 Studio Manager: Paula F. Hearne
 Engineers: Gene Hearne
 Dimensions of Studios: 15 x 30 with two 3 x 3 vocal isolation
 booths, 15 x 6 drum booth
 Dimensions of Control Rooms: 10 x 10
 Tape Recorders: Fostex B-16 16 tracks, TEAC/Tascam 40-4 4
 tracks TEAC/Tascam 32-2B 2 tracks, TEAC/Tascam 122 2
 tracks
 Mixing Consoles: TEAC/Tascam 5-24 x 16 x 8
 Monitor Amplifiers: Crown D-150, Sherwood
 Monitor Speakers: Altec, Auratones, CDS customized cabinets
 Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Ibanez DM 1000 Ibanez
 HM1000, Tapco 4400 reverb, Omni Craft noise gate
 Other Outboard Equipment: Complete dbx and Dolby B & C
 noise reduction, 163 dbx limiters, AKG K40 headphones
 Microphones: Beyer, AKG, Shure, Electro-Voice, Audio
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 Instruments available: Kohler & Campbell baby grand piano,
 other instruments available upon request
 Video Equipment & Services: 1/2" and 3/4" available upon re-
 quest
 Rates: 16 Track \$22/hr., 4 Track \$14 50/hr.

•••STUDIO 105
 105 Miller Rd., Mauldin, SC 29662
 (803) 288-5908
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 Studio Manager: Phil Blackwell

•••SUN TRACS RECORDING STUDIO
also REMOTE RECORDING
 1211-B Hamlet Ave., Clearwater FL 33516
 (813) 447-0238
 Owner: Partnership

•••THRESHOLD RECORDING
 410 Elm Ave. S.W., Roanoke, VA 24016
 (703) 345-2539
 Owner: F. Howard Beasley, J. Harold Thompson
 Studio Manager: F. Howard Beasley
 Engineers: J. Harold Thompson
 Dimensions of Studios: 30 x 25
 Dimensions of Control Rooms: 20 x 12
 Tape Recorders: Ampex MM1100R 16 track ATR 102 2 track
 440 R 2 track, Ampex 440 B 2 track, 440 B full track
 Mixing Consoles: Loft modular devices, model 440, 24 x 16
 Monitor Amplifiers: Ashly Audio FET, AB systems
 Monitor Speakers: E.V. Sentry III, Alter 9845, Auratones
 Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: (2) BAE I.P. 140 plate, AKG
 BX 20, (2) Loft 450X, Eventide 1745
 Other Outboard Equipment: Ashly SC 50 limiters/compressors,
 Symetrix 501 limiter/compressor, Allison Gain Brains & Kepex
 Ashly SC 66, parametrics, Ashly SC 33 noise gates
 Microphones: AKG 451, Neumann U87, Shure 57 58, E.V. 15,
 20, Studer 5U, Wahrenbrock PZMs, RCA 77BX, BK5
 Instruments Available: Steinway grand piano, Hammond B 3
 organ, Rhodes 88, Hohner D 6 clavinet, assorted guitars, Fender
 P bass
 Rates: Available on request

•••TRACK-16 RECORDING
also REMOTE RECORDING
 118 Constitution, Lexington, KY 40508
 (606) 253-0588
 Owner: Thomas D. Tandy
 Studio Manager: Thomas D. Tandy

•••WILLOW CREEK RECORDING STUDIOS
 2228 Redmond Circle, Rome, GA 30161
 (404) 232-6954
 Owner: Morqan Ayers
 Studio Manager: Morqan Ayers

CORRECTION

The following studio was inadvertently omitted from our Northwest Studio Directory. Our apologies.

•••BEAR CREEK RECORDING STUDIO
 20711 Bear Creek Rd., Los Gatos, CA 95030
 (408) 354-2351
 Owner: Justin Mayer
 Studio Manager: Justin Mayer
 Engineers: Justin Mayer
 Dimensions of Studios: 12 x 15
 Dimensions of Control Rooms: 10 x 15
 Tape Recorders: 3M M56 16/8 track, Tascam 80 8/8 track Otari
 MX 5050 BII 2 track, Teac C3X 2 cassette
 Mixing Consoles: TMS Studiomixer II 17 in 8 out, Tascam Model
 I 8 in 2 out
 Monitor Amplifiers: BGW
 Monitor Speakers: JBL 4311, Auratone
 Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Ursa Major Stargate 32 i
 digital reverb, custom plate reverb, Ellectron II
 Other Outboard Equipment: (2) dbx 161 compressor limiters
 Tascam DX8 noise reduction, (4) GT4 noise gates, Furman
 parametric equalizer, MXR stereo 10 band equalizer
 Microphones: Neumann U87, Electro Voice PL20, (2) Senn
 heiser 421s, (2) Sony ECM 22ps, (2) Shure SM57s, AKG D1000
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 Instruments Available: Emulator II, Drumlator, baby grand
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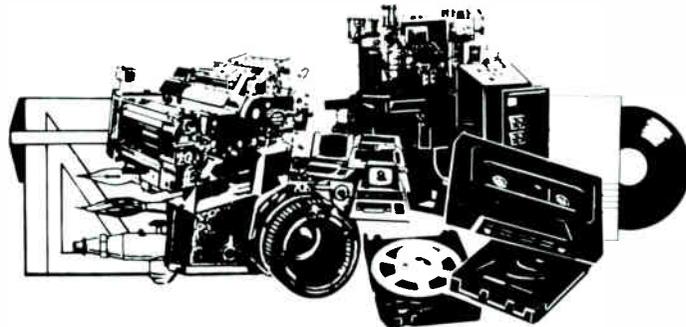


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 Studio Manager: Rich Rudner



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 Hendersonville, TN

♦♦♦♦ ACORN SOUND RECORDERS, INC.
 329 Rockland Rd., Hendersonville, TN 37075
 (615) 824-4924
 Owner: Oak Ridge Boys
 Studio Manager: Jimmy Tarbutton
 Engineers: Jimmy Tarbutton. Independents welcome.
 Dimensions of Studios: 25 x 36 including booths; drum room 13 x 15.
 Dimensions of Control Rooms: 22 x 24
 Tape Recorders: Studer A-80, 24 track; Studer B-67, 2 track; Otari MTR-12, 2 track, Sony cassette.
 Mixing Consoles: Harrison MR4, 32 x 24
 Monitor Amplifiers: Haller D-500, Crown
 Monitor Speakers: UREI B13B Time Aligned, JBL, Eastern Acoustic Works, Auratones
 Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: Lexicon 224X w/Larc remote, Eventide SP-2016, Super Prime Time, Eventide 1745A DDL
 Other Outboard Equipment: Kepex II, ADR Stereo Sweep EQ, (4) dbx 160 kmitters, UREI 1176 limiter, Eventide harmonizer, (2) White 1/2 octave graphic EQ, (2) Lang EQ
 Microphones: Neumann U47s, U89s, U87s, U64s, KM86, KM88, Studer Stereo, Sennheiser 421s, E-V RE20s, AKG 451s, Sony C37s, AKG D12E, (4) Shure 546s, Shure SM57s
 Instruments Available: Yamaha C7 grand piano, Wurlitzer electric piano, Rhodes electric piano, Hohner clavichette, Hammond B3 organ, ARP String Ensemble, Fender guitar amps, Pearl drums
 Video Equipment & Services: Panasonic 3/4", Panasonic 1/2" VHS, Sony 1/2" Beta
 Rates: Call for rates

♦♦♦♦ ALLEN-MARTIN PRODUCTION AUDIO
 also REMOTE RECORDING
 9701 Taylorsville Rd., Louisville, KY 40299
 (502) 267-9658
 Owner: Ray Allen, Hardy Martin
 Studio Manager: Mike Gibson

♦♦♦♦ ALPHA AUDIO
 2049 West Broad St., Richmond VA 23220
 (804) 358-3852
 Owner: Alpha Recording Corp.
 Studio Manager: (Traffic) Mary Ann Turner, (Adm) Barbara Wright

♦♦♦♦ AMERICAN MULTIMEDIA, INC.
 also REMOTE RECORDING
 Route 8, Box 215A, Burlington, NC 27215
 (919) 229-5554
 Owner: Richard Clark
 Studio Manager: Kent Smith
 Engineers: Bob Kelly, Bob Gaude, Kent Smith, Ellen Threat
 Dimensions of Studios: 25 x 33
 Dimensions of Control Rooms: 25 x 14
 Tape Recorders: Otari MTR 90 24 track; Otari MTR 10 2 track; Otari MTR 10-4 4 track; Otari MX 5050 2 track; Sony PCM 1610 2 track; JVC 2 track; Sony PCM-F1 2 track.
 Mixing Consoles: Neve 8108 32 x 24
 Monitor Amplifiers: UREI Model 6250/6500.
 Monitor Speakers: UREI Time Align monitors, Auratones.
 Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Lexicon 224X, Lexicon 224, Lexicon Model 200, Lexicon Super Prime Time, Prime Time II, several PCM 42s.
 Other Outboard Equipment: Aphex II Aural Exciter, EXR Exciter, Orban De-Esser 536-a, dbx-900 compressors, (24) dbx 165 compressors, (2) dbx 900 Noise Gates, Roland Vocoder SVC-350, Rockman X-100.
 Microphones: AKG, Beyer, E-V, A.T., RCA, Crown, Sony.
 Instruments Available: Yamaha DX7, Oberheim OB-8, Prophet-10, LinnDrum, Oberheim DSX sequencer, Simmons SDS-7 dig. drums, Rogers drums, Kawai electric grand, Hammond C-3 with 147 Leslie, Fender Rhodes, Moog Taurus.
 Video Equipment & Services: Complete post-production facility 300 Grass Valley switcher (2 channels of DVE) CMX-340X editor, Ikegami HL79 and 356 cameras and monitors, Ampex VPR 2-b with TBC 1" recorders, VHS, Beta and 3/4" dubbing services Remote tele-production capabilities.
 Rates: \$65/hr for audio studio. Video rates on request.

♦♦♦♦ A.M.I. STUDIO
 111 Freehill Rd., Hendersonville, TN 37075
 (615) 822-6790
 Owner: Michael R. Radford, Kenneth Bridger
 Studio Manager: Marty McReynolds

♦♦♦♦ ARDENT RECORDINGS, INC.
 also REMOTE RECORDING
 2000 Madison Ave., Memphis, TN 38104
 (901) 725-0855
 Owner: John Fry
 Studio Manager: Trish Hardy
 Engineers: Robert Jackson, John Hampton, Eddie Degarmo, Dana Key, Joe Hardy, Larry Nix, Henry Bush, Terry Manning, Al Smith
 Dimensions of Studios: Studio A: 25 x 40 x 16; Studio B: 25 x 20 x 16; Studio C: 25 x 35 x 14; Mastenna: 15 x 20 x 10. Each studio with two isolation booths.
 Dimensions of Control Rooms: Studio A: 16 x 25 x 10, Studio B: 16 x 25 x 10; Studio C: 18 x 25 x 10.
 Tape Recorders: (3) MCI JH 1624 24 track; (3) MCI JH-110 2 track; 3M M79 2 track; (2) 3M M64 2 track; (3) Scully 280 2 track; MCI JH-110B 1/2" 2 track, dbx digital 2 track.
 Mixing Consoles: MCI 542, 42 in x 32 out. Spectra Sonics 24-16, 28 in x 24 out; 36 x 24 Westar with time code automation; Mastering room equipped with Neumann VMS-70 lathe with Zuma digital control.
 Monitor Amplifiers: BGW, Crown.
 Monitor Speakers: JBL 4350, Audicon, Yamaha, KEF, JBL 4340, Auratones, Advent.
 Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: 3 EMT 140, 3 acoustic chamber, (2) H949 Harmonizer, Lexicon, Eventide, Marshall, ADR, Quantec room simulator, Effectron, BEL.
 Other Outboard Equipment: Limiters and compressors: Neve, dbx, ADR, Fairchild, UA, EMT; EQs: Neve, Orban, ADR, Pultec. Noise gates: Kepex, ADR, Outer Ear. All multi-tracks and two tracks equipped with Dolby A; (dbx optional for two tracks). All rooms tuned with UREI filters and E&K spectrum analyzer. Studio equipped with MCI automation.
 Microphones: Neumann U87, U67, U64, M249, KM86, KM 84; AKG C414, C451, D224, D12, D290; Sennheiser MD421, MD441; E-V RE20, RE16; Shure SM53, Beyer M201; AKG C-422 stereo.
 Instruments Available: Steinway grand, Yamaha grand, Chickering grand; Hohner clavinet; Hammond organ; Fender Rhodes 88; Gretsch drums; Fender, HiWatt, Acoustic, Ampeg amplifiers; Fairlight, MIDI piano interface, extra-BTX Softouch synchronizer, Fairlight sensus X with SMPTE MIDI, dbx digital 2 track.
 Video Equipment & Services: Complete video production services and sweetening.
 Extras: Cable television, kitchen, two lounge.
 Rates: Upon request.
 Direction: Clients: ZZ Top, Bar-Kays, Parliament/Funkadelic, Robin Trower, Led Zeppelin, Cor: Funk Shun, Emerson Lake & Palmer, Bootsy's Rubber Band, Cheap Trick, Memphis Horns, Commodores, Leon Russell, Isaac Hayes, Black Oak Ray, Roy Clark, Charlie Rich, Amazing Rhythm Aces, DeGarmo & Key, Too Tall Jones, Shaun Cassidy, Chocolate Milk, Kwark, Johnny Cash, Staple Singers, Bobby Blue Bland, Glad, Blackwood Brothers, Mylon LeFevre, Lou Rawls, Phil Driscoll, Ray Parker Jr., Xavon.

♦♦♦♦ ARTISAN RECORDERS, INC.
 1755 Southwest 81st Lane, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33324
 (305) 474-3176
 Owner: Peter J. Yanilos
 Studio Manager: Michael Musick

•••• **AUDIO CREATIONS RECORDING STUDIO**
also REMOTE RECORDING
 4815 Clarks River Rd., Paducah, KY 42001
 (502) 898-6746
 Owner: Ralph G. Rowton Jr., George Cumbee
 Studio Manager: George Cumbee

•••• **AUDIOFONICS, INC.**
 1101 Downtown Blvd., Raleigh, NC 27603
 (919) 821-5614
 Owner: Larry Gardner
 Studio Manager: Bill Blankshup

•••• **AUDIO MEDIA RECORDERS**
 808 19th Ave. South, Nashville, TN 37203
 (615) 320-5985
 Owner: C.E. Jackson
 Studio Manager: C.E. Jackson
 Dimensions of Studios: #1: 20 x 28, #2: 14 x 13.
 Dimensions of Control Rooms: #1: 22 x 16, #2: 13 x 16.
 Tape Recorders: #1: Studer A-800 24 track, Studer B-67 2 track; #2: Studer A-80 24 track, Studer B-67 2 track.
 Mixing Consoles: #1: Harrison 3232C, 28 in x 28 out; #2: Harrison MR-2-28.
 Monitor Amplifiers: BGW, Phase Linear, McIntosh.
 Monitor Speakers: Westlake TM1, JBL 4310, and Yamaha in both studios.
 Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: (3) EMT stereo units, Lexicon 102, Lexicon 224X, Super Prime Time.
 Other Outboard Equipment: Eventide Harmonizer; (6) dbx 160s, dbx 165; Dolby noise reduction; UREI 1176LNs (2), (2) LA-2As, LA-3As; stereo Orban EQ, Pultec EQ.
 Microphones: Shure SM57s; Sennheiser 421; Neumann 87 FET, 47 FET, 67s, 249s, 84s; AKG 414s, 451s, 202E, C-60; E-V RE20s, RE15s, 635s; Studer; Schoeps SKM5s.
 Instruments Available: Yamaha 9' grand, B-3 organ, Fender Rhodes, Hohner clavinet, Wurliizer electric piano, ARP Axxe and Omni, Pearl drum set, 50 percussion instruments.
 Rates: Supplied on request and based on volume.



AUDIOVISIONS
 Louisville, KY

•••• **AUDIOVISIONS**
 710 Distillery Commons, Louisville, KY 40206
 (502) 587-6863
 Owner: J.R.E. Inc.
 Studio Manager: Bob Ernspeker
 Engineers: Bob Ernspeker, John Schroeder, Tim Creed
 Dimensions of Studios: A 30 x 60, B 10 X 10
 Dimensions of Control Rooms: A: 20 x 20, B: 10 x 15 (both LEDE)
 Tape Recorders: TEAC 80-8 8 track, Studer A-80 24 track; (3) Ampex ATR-70 2 track; Studer A-80 2 track; Studer B-67 2 track.
 Mixing Consoles: NEOTEK C 36 x 24, TEAC M-50 12 x 8
 Monitor Amplifiers: McIntosh, Yamaha
 Monitor Speakers: UREI-813, JBL-4411
 Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: EMT, Audicon, Lexicon, Eventide, Yamaha, MXR
 Other Outboard Equipment: Parametric EQ; all channels, White EQ; Pultec EQ; dbx 165 comp.; dbx noise reduction all channels, Roland phaser.
 Microphones: U87, U67, AKG C414EB, KM84, RE20, Sony C35, Senn. 421, Crown PZM, AKG 451
 Instruments Available: Prophet-5, Memorymoog, Yamaha grand Hohner Clavinet, stereo Rhodes, Wurliizer piano, MXR and Sequential Circuits digital drums, Yamaha drum set
 Video Equipment & Services: Adams-Smith SMPTE lock system for audio to video recording, Sony monitor, JVC time code with full stereo video recording via JVC 3-track x 3/4" recorder
 Rates: A: \$65-\$95/hr., B: \$55-\$65/hr., SMPTE lock \$15/hr. extra

•••• **AUGUST RECORDING STUDIO**
 2136 Kings Ave., Jacksonville, FL 32207
 (904) 399-8283
 Owner: Wayne Fanning
 Studio Manager: Wayne Fanning

•••• **AXIS SOUND STUDIO**
 (Division of Spire Audio-Visual)
 1314 Ellsworth Ind. Dr., Atlanta, GA 30318
 (404) 355-8680
 Owner: Spire Audio-Visual, Miami, FL
 Studio Manager: Chuck Fedonczak
 Engineers: George Pappas, Chuck Fedonczak.
 Dimensions of Studios: 40 x 60 x 20.
 Tape Recorders: Studer A80 VU 24/16 track, A80 VU 1/2" 2 track also 1/4" 2 track, B67 1/4" 2 track; Ampex AG440 1/2" 4 track, AG440 1/4" 2 track, Sony TC 756 1/4" 1/4 track.
 Mixing Consoles: Neve 8068 32 x 16 with Necam Automation.
 Monitor Amplifiers: Crown PSA 2, McIntosh 2125, 2 Leach Superamps, Studer, White crossover & graphic EQ.
 Monitor Speakers: Main-custom JBL each w/2 2215 15" woofers, 2441 mid driver and 2405 H.F. drivers. Also 1 pair Ed Long MDM4, 1 pair JBL 4313B, 1 pair JBL 4311, 1 pair Auratones, Yamaha NS-10M.
 Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: 2 EMT stereo plates (tube type), AMS digital reverb, plus miscellaneous DDLs & echo units, Harmonizers, etc.
 Other Outboard Equipment: 4 Neve limiters, 1176 UREI, 162 dbx, 160 dbx, Allison Gain Brains & Kepex units, Sontec parametric EQ
 Microphones: AKG, Neumann, Shure, E-V, Studer, Schoeps, PZM, C-Ducers, Sennheiser.
 Instruments Available: Yamaha C-3 grand piano, Hammond B-3 organ, Hohner clavinet, Rhodes 73, Mini Moog, Rogers drum kit, assorted Fender and Marshall amps.
 Video Equipment & Services: 1/2" and 3/4" editing and production, 1" available on request. CMX/Sony 3/4" A-B Roll editing suite with digital effects.
 Rates: Call Chuck Fedonczak at (404) 355-8680.

•••• **BEE JAY RECORDING STUDIOS**
 5000 Eggleston Ave., Orlando, FL 32804
 (305) 293-1781
 Owner: Eric T. Schabacker
 Studio Manager: Jim Katt

•••• **THE BENNETT HOUSE**
 134 4th Ave. N., Franklin, TN 37065
 (615) 790-8696
 Owner: Bob Montgomery
 Studio Manager: Don Cobb
 Engineers: Chief Engineer: Gene Eichelberger; Engineers: Gene Eichelberger, Don Cobb, Clarke Schleicher, J.T. Cantwell
 Dimensions of Studios: Studio A: 44 x 18, two isolation booths. Studio B: 9 x 12, overdub booth
 Dimensions of Control Rooms: 20 x 26
 Tape Recorders: (2) MCI transformerless w/SMPTE lock-up, BTX sync 24/46 track; (2) Studer B62 2 tracks; Ampex ATR 100 1/2" 2 track; (4) Technics cassettes. (2) Studer 800s, Studer cassette
 Mixing Consoles: Studio A, 28 in x 24 out. Studio B, Bud Wyatt Trident Series 80
 Monitor Amplifiers: Yamahas
 Monitor Speakers: JBL 4411s, John Meyer monitors, Yamaha NS10s, Braun 3-way, Auratones.
 Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: EMT 250 Digital, Lawson Plate, AMS DDL, Eventide 949, Lexicon 224
 Other Outboard Equipment: Scamp Rack with 10 noise gates, (2) EQs, (2) limiter/compressors, time shape module, auto pan, vocal stressor and misc.
 Microphones: Tube M-249, 87s, 414, 421s, 224s, etc. AKG Tube.
 Instruments Available: Baldwin 7' and Eddie Reynolds Rhodes.
 Rates: Call for rates.

•••• **BIAS RECORDING COMPANY, INC.**
also REMOTE RECORDING
 5400 Carolina Place, Springfield, VA 22151
 (703) 941-3333
 Owner: Bill McElroy, Bob Dawson
 Studio Manager: Gloria Daniels
 Engineers: Bob Dawson, Bill McElroy, Jim Robeson, Norm Rowland
 Dimensions of Studios: Studio A: one 16 x 25 room; one 20 x 30 room; Studio B: one 16 x 25 room.
 Dimensions of Control Rooms: Studio A: 12 x 16; Studio B: 12 x 16
 Tape Recorders: Ampex (Studio A) MM-1200 24 track; Ampex (Studio B) MM-110 16 track; Studer (7)B-67 2 track, A-67 2 track; Ampex 440-B 4 track; Technics (2)M-280 cassette.
 Mixing Consoles: API (Studio A) Modified 2488 w/Allison Fader 24/8; API (Studio B) Modified 1604 16/4
 Monitor Amplifiers: Studio A: Bryston, Studio B: Crown.
 Monitor Speakers: Studios A & B: Sierra/Hidley and Auratone.
 Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: (2) EMT 162; AKG BX20E; Eventide Harmonizer; Lexicon Prime Time.

Other Outboard Equipment: UREI 1176 LN; UREI LA-4; UREI 964 digital metronome; dbx 160; Teletronix LA-2A; Kepex, Dynamite; MXR studio phaser; MXR studio flanger.
 Microphones: Neumann, Sony, AKG, Shure.
 Instruments Available: Yamaha C-5 grand piano, Hammond C3 w/Leslie, Fender Rhodes, Hohner clavinet, Slingerland drums, Fibes drums, Fender Precision Bass, Fender Twin Reverb, blonde Fender Pro, tweed Fender Deluxe (2), tweed Fender Vibrolux.
 Rates: Studio A: 24 track, \$95/hr; 2/8/16 track, \$80/hr. Studio B: 8/16 track, \$60/hr.; 2 track, \$40/hr.

•••• **BIG MAMA RECORDING STUDIO**
also REMOTE RECORDING
 400 Enaley Dr., Knoxville, TN 37920
 (615) 577-5597
 Owner: Norbert Stovall

•••• **BLACKWOOD SOUND FACTORY**
also REMOTE RECORDING
 Box 17272, Memphis, TN 38187-0272
 (901) 365-6900
 Owner: Ron Blackwood
 Studio Manager: Dee Huffman

•••• **BOUTWELL RECORDING STUDIOS INC.**
also REMOTE RECORDING
 720-726 23rd St., South Birmingham, AL 35233
 (205) 251-8889
 Owner: E. Boutwell, G. Bass, C. Haden, M. Harrelson, W. Thompson, N. Cotton
 Studio Manager: Nancy Cotton

•••• **BROADWAY SOUND STUDIO**
 1307 Broadway St., Sheffield, AL 35660
 (205) 381-1833
 Owner: David Johnson
 Studio Manager: Cal Freeman

•••• **BROKEN DOOR STUDIO**
 5405 Stanford Drive, Nashville, TN 37215
 (615) 269-0727
 Owner: Keebie Media Group
 Studio Manager: Peter Keebie

•••• **BULLET RECORDING**
 49 Music Square West, Nashville, TN 37203
 (615) 327-4621
 Owner: Randy A. Holland
 Studio Manager: Danny Mundhenk

•••• **CAPRICORN SOUND STUDIOS**
 536 Broadway, Macon GA 31201
 (912) 745-8518
 Owner: Phil Walden
 Studio Manager: Tad Bush

•••• **THE CASTLE RECORDING STUDIO, INC.**
 Old Hillsboro Road, Rt. 11, Franklin, TN 37064
 (615) 791-0810
 Owner: Joseph Nuyens
 Studio Manager: Joseph Nuyens
 Engineers: Chuck Ainlay, Keith Odle, Giles Reaves
 Dimensions of Studios: size of castle
 Dimensions of Control Rooms: size of castle
 Tape Recorders: Studer A80 MKIII 24 track, Studer A80 MKII 24 track, Studer A80 2 track, (2) Studer B67 2 track, 3M DMS digital 32 track, (2) 3M DMS digital 4 track.
 Mixing Consoles: Solid State Logic 4000 E with Total Recall Computer 48/32, Yamaha 1608 16/8.
 Monitor Amplifiers: (3) 4B Bryston on main; Yamaha 2201 on alternates; BGW 250s on cue.
 Monitor Speakers: JBL 4430 Biradials, Yamaha NS-10s, JBL 4411; Auratones.
 Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Lexicon 224x with Larc, Lexicon 224, AMS DMX 15-80 with 1.6 sec. delay on A side and 3.2 sec. delay on B side, Lexicon Super Prime Time 97, Lexicon Prime Time 93, (2) Large Ecoplate II.
 Other Outboard Equipment: AMS DMX 15-80s with deglitch card in both channels; Adam-Smith synchronizer system; Eventide H1910; (2) ADR Vocal Stressors, ADR 504; (4) Valley People Kepex II, (2) 504 Scamp parametric EQ; S 25 Scamp de-Esser, (1) Trident stereo limiter/compressor, (2) UREI 1176; SSL has built-in compressor/limiter, expander/gates on all 48 channels.
 Microphones: Complete assortment of Neumann, Neumann old tubes, Sennheiser, AKG, AKG tubes, Shure, Altec, PML, Sony.
 Instruments Available: Fairlight CMI system and printer, Yamaha DX11, Yamaha DX7, Bosendorfer 7'3" grand, Roland Jupiter 8; Oberheim DMX, Simmons 7-piece set, Simmons SD56, Roland TY 808, PRO I, Hammond B3 w/Leslie, Rhodes, tack piano, Martin guitars from private collection.
 Rates: Available upon request.



CHANDLER AUDIO INC.
Ashland, KY

•••• CHANDLER AUDIO INC.
1617 W. Midland Trail Road, Ashland, KY 41101
(606) 928-9507
Owner: Denny Chandler
Studio Manager: Denny Chandler
Engineers: Denny Chandler, Dirk Hawkins
Dimensions of Studios: 22 x 24, drum booth 9 x 8
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 19 x 16
Tape Recorders: Studer A80 24 track, Tascam 80 R R track, Ampex ATR 800 2 track, Tascam 122 cassette
Mixing Consoles: Harrison 3624 36 x 24 x 4 x 2
Monitor Amplifiers: Crown, UREI
Monitor Speakers: UREI 813B, IBL 4311, MDM-4, Auratones
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Yamaha Rev 1, custom stereo plate, Eventide Harmonizer 910, Eventide flanger/ phaser, ADA STD 1, Kora SDD 3000, MXR Digital Delay, Ursa Major Space Station
Other Outboard Equipment: DynaMites, UREI 1176, Ashby compressor/limiters, Gates noise gates, Aphex B, Boss Stereo Chorus, White equalizers
Microphones: Neumann UR7, AKG 414, The Tube, 451, Shure SM57, 58, 81, 54, SMS, SM7, 330, E.V. RE20, Sennheiser 421, 441, Crown PZM, Beyer M300
Instruments Available: Yamaha C7 grand piano, Hammond M3 w/Leslie, Yamaha DX 7, Oberheim ORR 360 Systems, Roland Vocoder, ARP Strna Ensemble, ARP 2600, Simmons SDS 7, LinnDrum, Rogers drum set, Musser vibes, LP congas, Musser bells, Ovation 6 & 12 string, Rhodes
Rates: \$50 per hour 24 track, \$25 per hour 8 track

•••• CHESHIRE SOUND STUDIOS
also REMOTE RECORDING
2093 Faulkner Rd. NE, Atlanta, GA 30324
(404) 321-3886
Owner: T.G. Wright, Jr.
Studio Manager: Karen Smith
Engineers: Director of Engineering Tom Race, Engineers Tom Wright, Lewis Padgett
Dimensions of Studios: A 32 x 44 x 16, B 18 x 15
Dimensions of Control Rooms: A 18 x 24, B 14 x 10
Tape Recorders: Ampex MM1100 24 track, Ampex (4) 440B 2/4 track, Ampex 1200 24 track
Mixing Consoles: MCI 428B automated, 28 in x 24 out, MCI 636C automated complete cassette production facility, 1/2 master ing 24 track to 24 track dubbing
Monitor Amplifiers: SAF, Yamaha, Crown
Monitor Speakers: JRL, Eastern Acoustic Works, Auratone, Yamaha, MDM-4s
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Live echo chambers, Lexicon 224, Lexicon 200, Model 93, Model 92, DeltaLab DL 1, DL 2, Eventide Harmonizer, MXR transposer
Other Outboard Equipment: Parametric equalizers, UREI 1176N, dbx 160, Orban 245F, 111B, 24 channels dbx and Dolby
Microphones: Wright microphones SB 1 and TS8-2, Neumann, AKG, Sony, etc
Instruments Available: Send for brochure
Rates: Send for brochure

•••• CINDERELLA SOUND STUDIO
1108 Cinderella St., Madison, TN 37115
(615) 865-0891
Owner: Wayne Moss
Studio Manager: Wayne Moss

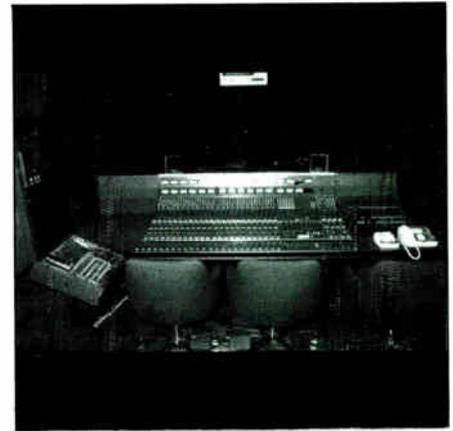
•••• CLIMAX RECORDING STUDIOS, INC.
2994 North Miami Ave., Miami, FL 33127
(305) 576-6888
Owner: Pablo Cano, President
Studio Manager: Pablo Cano



Engineers: Armando Terron, Pablo Cano, Rudy Perez
Dimensions of Studios: 90 x 35 x 16
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 17 x 15
Tape Recorders: MCI JH 114 24 track, JH 110 2 track, Tascam 122 cassette
Mixing Consoles: MCI 428R 24 x 24
Monitor Amplifiers: Yamaha, McIntosh, IIREI
Monitor Speakers: Custom built bamped TADs, 4311 4312 Auratones
Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: Lexicon 224, AKG BX10, 949 & 910 Harmonizers
Other Outboard Equipment: ADC vocal stessor, UREI, OBX, Valley People limiters, Kexep II gates, Aphex, others upon request
Microphones: Neumann, AKG, Sennheiser, RCA, F.V., Sony, Shure
Instruments Available: 9' Steinway concert piano, Fender Rhodes, Yamaha electric pians, Prophet-5, clavinet, drums, others upon request. Also, alphaSyntrau Metatrak program with Apple II computer, Oberheim DX computer drums, and Fender twin amplifier
Rates: \$100/hr or bulk rates. We work 7 days a week and 24 hours a day. Free estimates on productions
Direction: Besides our studio facilities, among the finest in South Florida, our staff, number one in creativity and different musical and technical talents, is working together with Producer Orlando "Papito" Hernandez serving bulk rates, estimates on single writing, musical arrangements and compositions and other musical American and Latin services. Among them are Al Caiola, Emmanuel, Armando Manzanero, James Earl Jones, SIN TV Net works, WRHC radio station, and others

•••• COCONUTS RECORDING CO., INC.
1830 N.E. 153rd St., N. Miami Beach, FL 33162
(305) 940-4656
Owner: Shirley P. Kaye
Studio Manager: Shirley P. Kaye

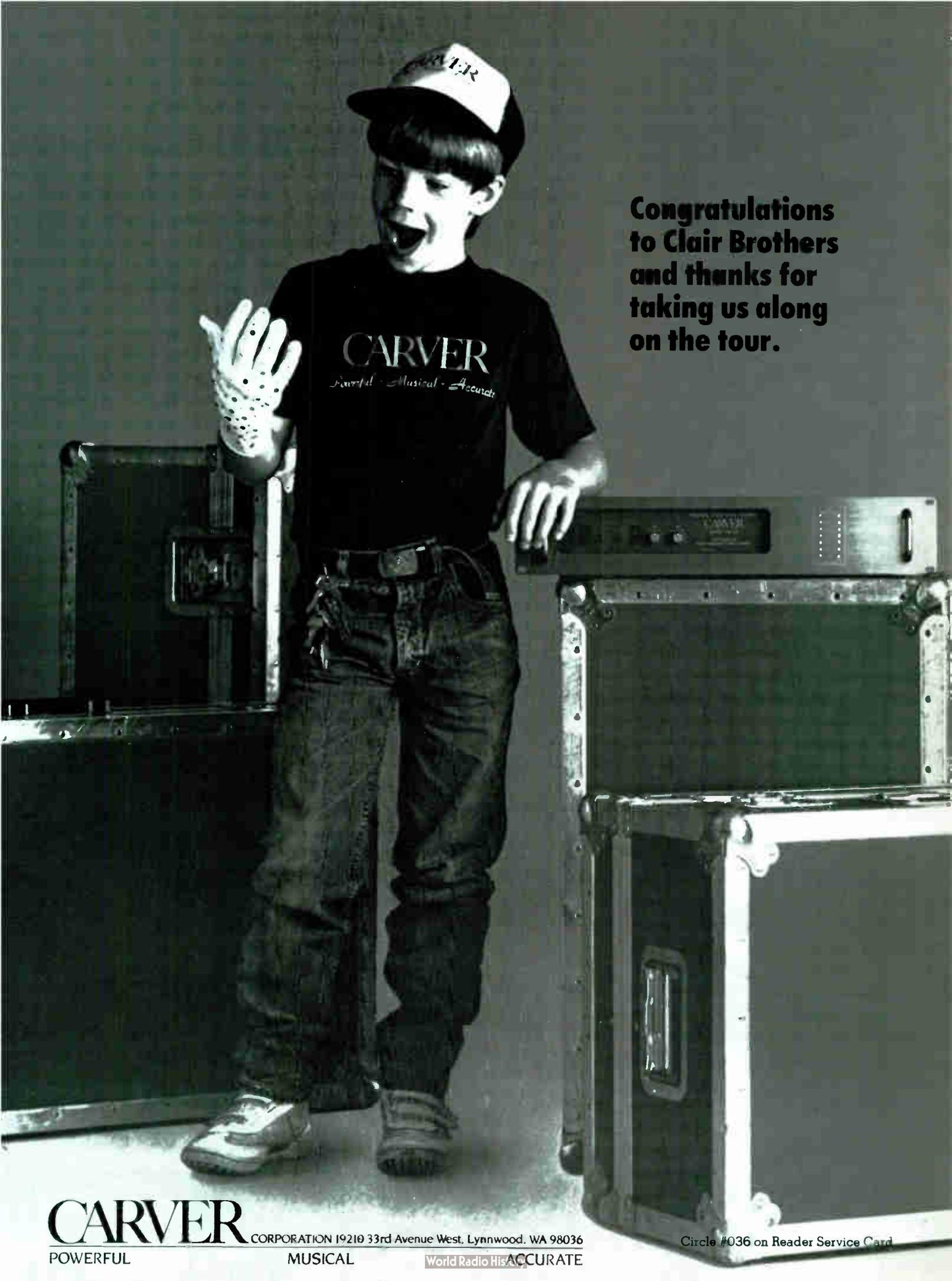
•••• COMMERCIAL MUSIC RECORDING COMPLEX
Memphis State University
Dept. of Music, MSU, Memphis, TN 38152
(901) 454-2559
Owner: Memphis State University
Studio Manager: Larry Lipman
Engineers: Larry Lipman, advanced students in audio degree program
Dimensions of Studios: Studio A: 60 x 60 x 20, Studio B: 23 x 16 x 20
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 20 x 16 x 12
Tape Recorders: MCI JH24 24 track, MCI JH110B 2 track, others
Mixing Consoles: MCI JH636 24 x 24
Monitor Amplifiers: BGW, AR Systems
Monitor Speakers: UREI 813A, IBL 4401, Auratones
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Lexicon 224XL, Lexicon M97 Super Prime Time
Other Outboard Equipment: Harmonizer H949, dbx 160X, DynaMite, other Multitrack equipped with dbx. Monitors tuned with IIRFI filters and B&K spectrum analyzer, console equipped with MCI automation
Microphones: Neumann U47, UR7, KM84, AKG C414, C452, Sennheiser MD421, Shure SM81, SM57, E.V. RE20, RE10, Crown PZM
Instruments: Steinway grand, Baldwin grand, Yamaha DX7, full complement of studio, orchestral and percussion instrumentation available
Video: Complete video production services available, seen to be interlaced with recording studios
Rates: The CMUS Complex is operated primarily as an instructional facility and was developed to handle the needs of the University's Commercial Music degree programs and Highwater record company. Although normally unavailable for commercial use, studio rental is authorized under special circumstances. Availability and rates upon request



COOK SOUND STUDIOS
Fort Payne, AL

•••• COOK SOUND STUDIOS
1419 Scenic Rd., Fort Payne, AL 35967
(205) 845-2286
Owner: Jeff Cook
Studio Manager: John Estes
Engineers: John Estes, independents
Dimensions of Studios: 28 x 37
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 14 x 16
Tape Recorders: Studer A80 VU MK II 24 track, A80 VU MKII 1/2" 2 track, A710 cassette, Revox PR99 2 track
Mixing Consoles: Neve 805R 2R in x 24 out
Monitor Amplifiers: McIntosh 2300, McIntosh 2105, Yamaha 2200, Yamaha 2050
Monitor Speakers: UREI 813, Yamaha NS 10M, Auratones
Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: FMT plate, Lemcon Super Prime Time, Ursa Major Rx32
Other Outboard Equipment: Eventide Harmonizer; (3) dbx 160X compressors, FXR EXIV Exciter, Orban 622R parametric, UREI 1176LN compressors, SCAMP rack w/gates, compressors, de-essers, sweep EQ, Neve compressor/limiter, telephone distort module, notch and correction filters, and background noise suppresser
Microphones: Neumann M49, (2) 1148, (2) 1147, (3) UR7, AKG (4) 414, (4) 452, Shure (2) SM7, (3) SM81, (8) SM57, Electro Voice (2) RE-20; Audio-Technica (2) ATM31R, Sennheiser (4) 421, Studer SKM 5
Instruments Available: Yamaha acoustic piano, Oberheim OB-Xa w/DSX, Yamaha SK 15, Music Man, Fender and Carvin amps, Rhodes 73, Geesch drums
Rates: \$75/hr.

•••• COTTON ROW RECORDING
1503 Madison Ave., Memphis, TN 38104
(901) 276-8518, 276-8520
Owner: Ward Archer, Jr.
Studio Manager: Nikos Lyras
Engineers: Niko, Lyras, Danny Jones, Gerard Harris, Danny Green
Dimensions of Studios: 32 x 22 x 14, isolation booth (2) 5 x 12 x 12, 6 x 6 x 12
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 17 x 20 x 12
Tape Recorders: Otari MTR 90 24 track, Otari MTR-10 2 track, Otari 9508 2 track, TEAC A 3300SX 2 track, Tascam 122 cassette, Techna: M-6R cassette
Mixing Consoles: Audiotronics 501 (modified) 26 x 15
Monitor Amplifiers: Yamaha P2201, BGW 250R, BGW 250C, BGW 100R, Crown D 150A
Monitor Speakers: E.V. Sentry III modified by Steven Durr, E.V. Sentry V, JRL 4311, JRL 4401, Auratones
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Lexicon 224, Lexicon PCM 60, 2 Lexicon PCM 41s, DeltaLab Eltron, DeltaLab Eltron and Eltron Jr.
Other Outboard Equipment: dbx 160x compressors, UREI 530 and 527 A graphic EQs, White 4000 EQs, Valley People DynaMite gates/limiters/de-essers, Omm Craft GT-4 gates
Microphones: AKG 414, AKG 451, AKG 2000, AKG 1000, AKG D12 Neumann KM-84 Sennheiser MD421, Crown PZM 6 I.P.R., Shure SM 57
Instruments Available: Kawai 6 foot grand, Hammon B-3 organ, Memory Moog, MiniMoog, Yamaha DX7, Yamaha "S80, Polysix, Roland GR 700 guitar synthesizer, Roland Jazz Chorus guitar set p. Roland Cube 100 guitar amp, Fender Twin and Pro Reverb amps, Gretsch drums (8 piece) Simmons SD-R electronic drum set, several percussion instruments, Fender Stratmaster guitar, Schecter Stratocaster guitar, Gibson 355 guitar, Takamine acoustic guitars (6 and 12 string), Schecter bass, Music Man bass
Rates: \$65-75 per hour



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535 Plasamour Dr. NE, Atlanta, GA 30324
(404) 876-7149

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Studio Manager: Steve Carlisle
Engineers: Kathy Gray, Todd Plewacki, independents
Dimensions of Studios: Studio A: 32 x 25 x 14, Studio B: 6 x 8.
Dimensions of Control Rooms: Studio A: 34 x 27 x 14, Studio B: 12 x 12.
Tape Recorders: Studio A: Ampex 124, 24 track, Studer A80, 24 track, Studer A8C, 1/2" 2 track, (2) Ampex 102 2 track. Studio B: Ampex mono, Ampex 102, 2 track.
Mixing Consoles: Studio A: Neve 8128, 48-channel w/Necam II automation. Studio B: Trident Series 70, 24 channel.
Monitor Amplifiers: Crown, Halter, AB.
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Eventide Harmonizer, (2) Lexicon 224X dbx limiters, compressors, gates, para. EQ, dbx digital mastering system, Lexicon 200.
Other Outboard Equipment: BTX (3 mach.) Softouch Controllers.

Microphones: Neumann, AKG, Sennheiser, Beyer, Milab, Crown, Shure E-V, Schoeps.
Instruments Available: Yamaha C7 grand piano, LinnDrum, Tama drums, Simmons drums, Prophet-T8 Syn., and assorted percussion instruments.

Rates: Studio A: 24 track with picture and automation, \$165/hour; 4 or 2 track with picture, \$150/hour; 24 track without picture, \$135/hour; mono, 4 or 2 track without picture, \$80/hour; Lexicon time compression (1200B), add \$100/hour; dbx digital mastering add \$100/hour. Studio B: 2, 4, or 8 track with picture, \$150/hour; 1/2" 8 track without picture, \$90/hour; mono, 4 or 2 track without picture, \$80/hour; Lexicon time compression (1200B), add \$100/hour.

Extras: Crawford's Studio A was constructed from the ground up with optimum acoustics in mind, by Les Duncan of Trakside Engineering, who designed and oversaw the entire project. Superb isolation characteristics were achieved by employing decoupled slabs on discrete footings, exterior walls of sand filled block, multi-layered high density interior walls, and floated floors. The studio varies side to side from a very live to a dead environment, and the acoustic design of the control room is performance certified. A few client amenities include 5' x 6' large screen Thomson TVPI projection system visible from anywhere in the control room, and audio control from either control room for sync sound shoots in the Insert Stage which is positioned between the two audio studios.

Direction: Crawford Post Production is mainly a post house for film and video specializing in high-quality audio production for those two mediums. Currently in production, though, is an album project for Geffen Records.

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Studio Manager: Richard Carpenter

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#707 Calle Constitucion, Puerto Nuevo, Puerto Rico 00920
(809) 792-1970
Owner: Brooke F. Cadwallader
Studio Manager: Maya Acciano
Engineers: Chief: Alan Manger
Dimensions of Studios: Studio A: 50 x 40 x 20, Studio B: 29 x 23 x 20.
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 22 x 24 x 14.
Tape Recorders: MCI JH-24 track transformerless, MCI JH 110B



2 track, MCI JH 110B 4 track; Ampex 440 2 track; Scully 280B 4 track; Revox B77 2 track; Studer A80RC 1/4" 2 track.
Mixing Consoles: MCI 528B 28 in x 24 out; Spectra Sonics 1024 24 in x 24 out.

Monitor Amplifiers: Crown M-600, McIntosh MC2120.
Monitor Speakers: UREI 813, UREI 811, Big Reds, Auratone, Ed Long, Yamaha NS 10M.

Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Ecoplates, AKG BX10, Lexicon 224XL.

Other Outboard Equipment: Eventide H-949; DeltaLab DL-2 Acousticcomputer; dbx 165 compressor/limiter; dbx 160 compressor/limiter; Valley People Gan Brain II; Valley People Kepex II; Valley People Dyamite 410; Ashly SC-68 parametric notch filter; Dolby B 24 trk; Dolby 2 trk; UREI 964 digital metronome; MCI time code.

Microphones: Neumann U67, U48, U47 FET, U89, Sennheiser 406; 416, 421, 441; AKG 414, C406, Beyer M-500; Shure SM-57; E-V RE20; RCA 77D, BK5, 44, AKG 451.

Instruments Available: 9' grand piano, marimba, vibes, Fender bass, Roland guitar synthesizer, Yamaha, Oberheim, Crumar synthesizers, Fender Twin Reverbs, Les Paul Gibson, Fender Bassman, Yamaha bass amp, Fender Rhodes 88 Electric piano.

Video Equipment & Services: Magna-Tech 16-35 mm Xenon lamp projector; Sony BVU-200 U-Matic videotape recorder; Advent large screen & Sony Trinitron monitors; Magna-Tech high speed film mixing system; Audio Kinetics Q-Lock 310-3 Time Code Computer; Off Line Editing.
Rates: Available upon request.



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Owner: William J. Ray
Studio Manager: Gary W. Ham
Engineers: Gary W. Ham, Senior Engineer; Thom Kidd, Engineer.
Dimensions of Studios: A: 41 x 28; B: 18 x 13.
Dimensions of Control Rooms: A: 22 x 18; B: 14 x 9.
Tape Recorders: Otari MTR-90 24 track, Studer A80VU Mark III 24 track, (2) Otari MTR-10 2 track, Otari MTR-10 4 track, dbx 700 Digital Audio 2 track.
Mixing Consoles: Harrison 3232 w/Automation 32/32, Soundcraft 2400 24/24 out, 40 input mixing.
Monitor Amplifiers: Crest 4001s, 3500s, 3000s, 2500s.
Monitor Speakers: JBL 4313B, 4411, Toa Cubes, Westlake TM-1, Yamaha NS-10.
Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: EMT 140, Lexicon 200, 2 live chambers, Master-Room Plate Synthesizer, DeltaLab 1024, 512, Compuffelectron, Roland DDL, Lexicon Prime Time, Marshall Time Modulator.

Microphones: AKG, Neumann, Sennheiser, Shure, Sony, RCA, Beyer

Instruments Available: Bosendorfer grand piano, Gretsch drums, Hammond B-3 organ w/Leslie.

Rates: \$125.00 Studio A, \$90.00 Studio B.



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Studio Manager: Marjorie Curry

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Studio Manager: Walter McCreary/Obryan Burnett

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also REMOTE RECORDING
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Owner: Richard A. McBrayer
Studio Manager: Eric Wilson

**** D.I.Y. RECORDING, INC.
361 W. Main, Hendersonville, TN 37075
(615) 822-5648
Owner: DIY Recording Inc.
Studio Manager: Ted Wilson
Engineers: Ron Fairchild, Ted Wilson, John Stuecker.
Tape Recorders: MCI JH24 24 track, Revox PR99 2 track, TEAC A-3300 SX 1/4 track, Sony Laseramphous TC-FX5CS-F cassette, Sony PCM 70 .ES digital 2 track, Sony Beta Hi-Fi digital 2 track.
Mixing Consoles: MCI JH 636-GO 28 x 24.
Monitor Amplifiers: Yamaha P2200, Crown DC-150 (2).
Monitor Speakers: Yamaha NS 1000, EAW MS-50, Yamaha NS10M.
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Lawson 8' plate w/remote, MXR 01 digital reverb, Yamaha R1000 digital reverb, Roland SDE-3000 delay, Super Prime Time, DeltaLab, DL4 Delay.
Other Outboard Equipment: Kepex, Audioarts parametric EQ, dbx 163 limiters, Altec tube limiters, MXR graphic EQ.
Microphones: Neumann U87; AKG 414s, 451, D1000Es; Sennheiser 441, 421s; PZMs, SM57s; Beyer M201.
Instruments Available: Kurzweil 250, Young Chang grand piano, Roland Jupiter 8, Prophet V, Minimoog, ARP 2600, ARP Odyssey, Oberheim DMX, Steinberger bass and guitar, Roland Super Jupiter, Yamaha DX7.
Rates: Upon request.

**** DOPPLER STUDIOS, INC.
1922 Piedmont Circle, N.E., Atlanta, GA 30324
(404) 873-6941
Owner: Pete Caldwell
Studio Manager: Pete Caldwell
Engineers: Bill Quinn, Chief Engineer; Joe Neil, Steve Davis, Jeff Brugger, Curt Bush, Granger Beem, Mitch Eaton.
Dimensions of Studios: A: 35 x 50 (with 2 isolation booths and live end-dead end), B: 25 x 35 (with 1 isolation booth and live end-dead end), C: 15 x 20, D: 12 x 15

Dimensions of Control Rooms: A: 15 x 25, B: 15 x 17, C: 10 x 15, D: 15 x 13.

Tape Recorders: Otari MTR-90-II 24 track; Otari MTR-10 2 track; 3M 79 24/16 track; Ampex ATR-100 2/mono; Scully 280 4/2/mono.

Mixing Consoles: Sphere Eclipse C, 40 in x 40 out; Sphere A, 28 in x 24 out; Audiotronics 110-A, 20 in x 4 out; custom, 8 in x 8 out.

Monitor Amplifiers: Crest, Yamaha.

Monitor Speakers: UREI 813, JBL 4311, Auratones.

Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: Lexicon 224, Lexicon Prime Time, EMT 140 plates, Eventide 1745M, Marshall Time Modulator.

Other Outboard Equipment: ADR Vocal Stressor, dbx 160, 163, 165 and UREI 1176 compressor/limiters, Kepex, Gain Brain, dbx noise reduction, Orban Parametric equalizers and de-essers.

Microphones: Neumann, AKG, Studer, Sennheiser, Shure, and E.V.

Instruments Available: Steinway grand and Baldwin baby grand pianos, Ludwig and Rogers drum sets, Hammond B-3 w/Leslie cabinet, Fender amps.

Video Equipment & Services: Video Sync with Sony 5850 3/4" VCR, BTX Shadow system, 35 mm stripe and 16 mm in 3 rooms. Layback to Sony 1" type C.

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Studio Manager: Tommy Flack

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Studio Manager: Paula DeStelano
Engineers: Gary Rivera & Ernie Sample

Dimensions of Studios: 18-x 22, 10 x 18 isolation room.
Dimensions of Control Rooms: A: 18 x 22, B: 18 x 12.
Tape Recorders: Studer A80 VU 24 track, Studer A80 RC 1/4"-1/2" 2 track, Studer A710 2 track, Otari MX5050 BII 2 track, Otari MX5050 4 track.
Mixing Consoles: Neve 8068 MKII 32 x 24
Monitor Amplifiers: Carver PMLS, AB-205C.
Monitor Speakers: UREI 813B, JBL 4313, Yamaha NS10M.
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Lexicon digital reverb, DeltaLab Super Time Lines.
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Studio Manager: Maggie McGuinness



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Studio Manager: Bob Clark
Engineers: Bob Clark
Dimensions of Studios: 40 x 60
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 18 x 21
Tape Recorders: Studer A 800 24 track, MCI JH-110, Studer A710 cassette, Studer A-80 VU 1/2" 2 track Nakamichi RX-505 cassette
Mixing Consoles: MCI JH 528, 28 in x 28 out
Monitor Amplifiers: McIntosh 2300, Crown D 150, Yamaha P-2200
Monitor Speakers: UREI Time Aligned 813, Auratone SC, Technics SB-F2, Yamaha NS-10M
Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: Lexicon digital delay 102 Delta, EMT 240 Gold Foil, AKG BX 20, spring echo
Other Outboard Equipment: Eventide flanger, (4) UREI 1176 limiters, (2) UREI LA3A limiters, (2) dbx 160 limiters, Orban parametric EQ, Orban de-esser, Harmonizer, Kepex, Dolby, (2) ADH vocal stressors; Dimension D, SDE 3000 DDL, Korg SDD 3000 DDL
Microphones: Neumann U87, U47, KM84, Sennheiser 421, 441, AKG 414, 224E, D202, Shure SM56, 57, E-V RE16, Beyers 160
Instruments Available: Yamaha 7'4" grand piano, ARP String Ensemble, Hammond C3 organ & Leslie, Wuritzer electric piano, clavinet, Music Man bass & guitar amps, UREI bandpass filter
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Studio Manager: John Uhrig
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Dimensions of Studios: A 20 x 24 x 12, Isolation rooms 8 x 9 and 8 x 10
Dimensions of Control Rooms: A 20 x 15 x 9, B (production): 10 x 20
Tape Recorders: Ampex MM1200 24 track, (3) Ampex 440 B 2 track, Ampex 440 B 1 track, Ampex 440 B 8 track, Ampex ATR 700 2 track, TEAC 40-4 4 track; Studer A80HC 2 track 1/2" & 1/4", Tascam 122 cassette; Studer A710 cassette
Mixing Consoles: A Sphere A custom 24 in x 16 out, B OpAmp Labs 216 custom 12 in x 4 out
Monitor Amplifiers: Crest P3500, 2501S, Yamaha P2050, McIntosh 2105 (phones)
Monitor Speakers: E-V Sentry III, MDM4, Auratone 5C, E-V Sentry IA, JBL 4401

Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: BAE LP140 plate, MICMIX XL 305, Master Room III, DeltaLab DL2, Eventide H910, MXR 175, Digital time delay, MXR 174 pitch doubler DeltaLab Super Time Line ADM2048

Other Outboard Equipment: dbx 160 compressor/limiters, MXR 136 dual limiter, Orban 516EC de-esser, Audioarts 4200 parametric, ADR Vocal Stressor, 32 channels dbx NR EXR3 Exciter, UREI 539 Room EQ, Countryman direct boxes SMPTE time code available, Symetrix SG200 noise gates, Technics SP 25 turntables, Symetrix TI-101 Telephone Interface

Microphones: Neumann U87, U47 (tube), AKG 414/P48, 452EB, 451E, D202, Beyer M160N, E-V RE20, RE16, 666, Shure SM54, SM57, SM58, Sennheiser MD421, RCA 77DX, 44DX, Sony C37 (tube); Countryman 85; Wahrenbrock PZM 130

Instruments Available: Marshall & Wendall grand piano, Hammond organ w/Leslie, Deagan electric chimes, Ludwig drums w/Zildjian cymbals, Fender Champ and Twin amplifiers. Other instruments available on rental basis

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Engineers: Hank Poole, Jim Brock, Doug Hawthorne
Dimensions of Studios: 50 x 50 x 23
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 13 x 28 x 10
Tape Recorders: MCI JH 114-24 w/Autolocator 24 track; Scully 280B 2 track; Aiwa cassette
Mixing Consoles: MCI 424 24/24
Monitor Amplifiers: Crown
Monitor Speakers: JBL
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: EMT stereo, EMT mono, Eventide
Other Outboard Equipment: UREI and dbx limiters, Eventide phaser and flanger, Orban de-esser, Pultec EQ and filters, White 3rd octave EQ, Technics SMK10 turntable
Microphones: Neumann U87, U86, KM84, U47, Sennheiser 405, 421, Shure SM57, SM58, Electro Voice RE15, RE20, Sony ECM-50, PZM
Instruments Available: 7' Yamaha grand, Hammond B3 organ, Gretsch drums, ARP Odyssey, Axe, Hohner clavichord, Wuritzer, harpsichord, Fender Rhodes, Minimoog, Music Man, Fender amps
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 Engineers: Doug Brewer, David Artis.
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 Dimensions of Control Rooms: 14 x 20.
 Tape Recorders: ACES TR-24 24 track, Otari 5050B 2 track, Scully 280 B-4 4 track, Magnecord 1024 2 track, Telex 230 Mono.
 Mixing Consoles: ACES ML32/24 28 x 24.
 Monitor Amplifiers: Crown DC-300.
 Monitor Speakers: E-V Sentry 500 in control room, E-V Sentry 1A in studio, Auratone 5C.
 Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: DeltaLab ADM-1024; DOD R880, Fairchild 658 Reverberation, Klark Teknik DN-780, etc.
 Other Outboard Equipment: EXR Exciter, Klark-Teknik DN 360, Furman PQ6 parametric EQ, dbx compressors, Valley People DynaMite comp/lim/noise gate etc
 Microphones: Electro-Voice, Shure, Sennheiser, AKG, RCA, Sony Electret condensers, Audio-Technica, Crown PZM, Neumann U87s
 Instruments Available: Knabe 6' grand piano, Mellotron, Electro-Pro, 9 piece Ludwig drum set, Roland Bolt 60 head, 2 Fender 2-12' cabinets with JBL, 1 Fender 2-15" with JBL, 1 Fender Bassman complete, timbales, various rhythm instruments, harmona-hose, etc.
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 Dimensions of Studios: Main room 40 x 100 x 24(h), isolation room 10 x 20 x 12, isolation B 7 x 10 x 12.
 Dimensions of Control Rooms: 18 x 21 x 10.
 Tape Recorders: MCI JH 114 24 track, MCI JH110 2 track, Ampex/Inovonics 354/380 2 track, Sony 701ES digital 2 track.
 Mixing Consoles: Neotek 1E 36 x 24.
 Monitor Amplifiers: Hafler, BGW, Crest, Phase Linear.
 Monitor Speakers: Westlake TM 1, Altec 604, JBL 4311, Auratone.
 Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Ecoplate II, MXR 01, AKG BX10, Prime Time, Electron, Ibanez.
 Other Outboard Equipment: Valley People Dyna-Mites, dbx compressors, MXR graphic EQs, Ashly parametric EQ.
 Microphones: Neuman U87s, KM84s, AKG 414s, 451; Sennheiser MD421s; Shure SM53s, SM57s, Beyer M88s, E-V 666.
 Instruments available: Yamaha C7 grand piano, Rhodes, Korg Poly-61, Simmons drums, Yamaha drums, various amps.
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 Studio Manager: Pam Fox

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 (615) 327-4565
 Owner: Pat Carter
 Studio Manager: Pat Carter
 Engineers: Danny Dunkleberger (chief engineer), Victor Caldwell, Al McGuire (independent).
 Dimensions of Studios: 29 x 20 with two isolation booths: 9 x 14 and 9½ x 7½.
 Dimensions of Control Rooms: 15½ x 20
 Tape Recorders: MCI JH-24 24 track, Studer ½" & ¼" (convertible) ABORC 2 track, Otari MTR-10 2 track, Technics (¼ track) 1506 2 track, Nakamichi 582 cassette.
 Mixing Consoles: Harrison (modified) 4032C 32 x 32.
 Monitor Amplifiers: UREI, McIntosh, Crown, BGW.
 Monitor Speakers: UREI 813s, MDM-4s, Auratone 5-Cs, Klipsch Herseys.
 Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Lexicon 224, 2 Lawson plates, Lexicon Prime-Time, DeltaLab DL-1 & DL-4, Eventide Harmonizer 910, Cooper Time Cube.
 Other Outboard Equipment: (2) dbx 160x, (2) UREI LA-3As, (2) Universal Audio 175s, ADR Vocal stessor, UREI 1176, 3 channel Orban De-Esser, UREI Digital Metronome, Pultec Tube equalizer, (2) UREI passive filters, EXR Exciter, Eventide Phaser, Harrison Autoset automation, 26 channels dbx noise reduction.
 Microphones: Neuman U87s, U47s, U67 tube, KM 84, KM 86; Sennheiser MD421s, MKH 405; AKG 414EB, D202s, D160Es, C-452EB, CK-9; Shure SM56, SM5B, 55S; Sony C500, C37P, ECM 22P, ECM 50, ECM 99, ECM 150; Electro-Voice RE15, RE 16, RE 20; Wahrenbrock PZMs; Studer SKM 5U
 Instruments available: Kawai 7'4" piano, Yamaha DX7, ARP 2600 synthesizer and keyboard, Hammond B-3 organ and Leslie cabinet, Rhodes 73 electric piano, Wurflitzer, Hohner electric clavinet D-6, Pearl drum set, Yamaha bass amp, Fender Super Reverb amp.
 Rates: call for rates.

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Studio Manager: Wol Stephenson

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Studio Manager: Eddie Howard

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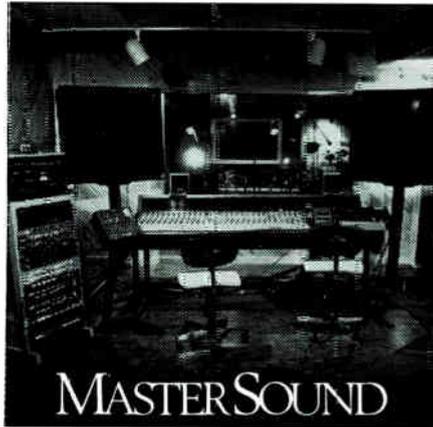


MASTER MIX
Nashville, TN

**** MASTER MIX
1808 Division St., Nashville, TN 37203
(615) 321-5970
Owner: Trio Ent. Co.
Studio Manager: Hank Williams
Engineers: Tom Brown, Chief Engineer
Dimensions of Studio: 625 square feet.
Tape Recorders: Otari MTR 90/24 tracks, MTR 10 1/2" and 1/4" machines.
Mixing Consoles: Neve/Necam II 38 & 24 x 24 early 1970's discrete with 4 band 1081 equalizers.
Monitor Amplifiers: Bryston, Hafler, Yamaha.
Monitor Speakers: 4-way, all-cone time coherent custom system by Dr. Claude Fortier with a proprietary 4 way active electronic Acoustic Align Crossover network by State of the Art Elektronik. Auratone, Rogers, Yamaha.
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: EMT 250/251 - Lexicon 224XL with Larc, Super Prime Time, Eventide H-949.
Other Outboard Equipment: Compressors/limiters: ADR, dbx, Neve, Sontec, UREI, Valley People. Equalizers: ADR, Sontec, Trident.
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Studio Manager: Robert Ullsh
Engineers: Robert Ullsh, Bruce Buehman, Steve Peppos.
Dimensions of Studio: 35 x 45 with two isolation rooms 10 x 12 and 10 x 8
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 20 x 22
Lounge area: 18 x 12 (approximately 2,400 total sq. ft.)
Tape Recorders: Sony/MCI JH24 24 track with auto-locator III, Tascam 85-16E, Otari MTR-12 C 1/2 track with SMPTE, 2 Tascam 52 1/2 tracks with SMPTE middle tracks, Tascam C-3RX cassette.
Mixing Consoles: Amek Angela 28 x 24 with a total of 62 returns.
Monitor Amplifiers: Acoustat Trans-Nova Twin 200 MOSFET, Kenwood Basic M-2 400 watt.
Monitor Speakers: JBL 4435s, JBL 4411s, Auratones.
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Lexicon 200 digital stereo reverb, EMT design plate reverb, Lexicon PCM-42 digital delay, Roland SDE-3000 digital delay.
Other Outboard Equipment: dbx 160x compressor-limiters,

Universal 175 tube limiter, Orban 424A stereo gated compressor/limiter, LT Sound CLX-2 stereo compressor/limiter/expander, MXR dual 2/3 octave E.Q. MXR 1/3 octave E.Q., Orni Craft GT-4 4 channel noise gate, 8 channels of 4-band sweepable parametric E.Q.
Microphones: AKG "The Tube", (5) C-414 P-48s, (3) C-451s, (2) C-452s, (1) D-12; Neumann U89; E-V RE20; (3) Sennheiser 421s, assortment of 17 dynamic mics.
Instruments Available: Yamaha 74" conservatory grand piano, 7 piece Ludwig drum set, Simmons drum set, Oberheim DMX drum synthesizer, Fender Rhodes piano, Korg Poly-6, Roland Jano-60, Prophet-5, Fender Stratocaster-Elite, Fender Precision Bass-Elite, Washburn & Tama acoustic guitars.
Video Equipment and Services: Sony U-matic 5850, Q-Lock 3.10 synchronizer, Sony 19" monitor, Q-Lock 3.1C synchronizer.
Rates: 16 track \$60/hr, 24 track \$85/hr, 24 track audio/video: \$125/hr. Discounts available for block project rates.



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Virginia Beach, VA

**** MASTER SOUND STUDIOS, INC.
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1227 Spring St. N.W., Atlanta, GA 30309
(404) 873-6425
Owner: Bob Richardson
Studio Manager: Bob Richardson
Engineers: Bob Richardson, Ron Christopher, Buzz Richardson and Bret Richardson.
Dimensions of Studio: Music: 43 x 25; Production: 10 x 10.
Dimensions of Control Rooms: Music: 23 x 25; Production: 10 x 10.
Tape Recorders: (2) MCI JH-114 24 track, MCI JH-110 1/2" 2 track, (4) MCI JH-110 1/4" 2 tracks; (2) Ampex AG 440B 2 track, (2) Ampex AG 440B mono's; MCI JH-110B 1/2" 2 track mastering.
Mixing Consoles: SSL 4000E 40 in x 32 buss out - full automation plus total recall; Audiotronics 110B, 20 in x 4 out.
Monitor Amplifiers: BGW 250, 500; Crown D150, 300.
Monitor Speakers: Audicon-custom; JBL 4313, Auratones.
Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: EMT 140 mono and stereo, Lexicon 224, Lexicon 102; Marshall, Eventide, ADR.
Other Outboard Equipment: dbx 165, 160, UREI LA2, LA3, 1176; ADR limiters; Pultec; Orban EQ; ADR Vocal Stresser; Orban de-esser.
Microphones: Neumann U64, U68, U47, U47 FET, KM86, KM88, U86, U87, M49; AKG 414, C60, C61, 202; Shure (all types); E-V (all types); Schoeps (all types), Sony C37, ECM50; RCA 77DX; Sennheiser (all types); Altec; Telefunken; others.
Instruments Available: Baldwin 9' concert grand, Steinway 7' grand, Rhodes 7' stage, Hammond B-3 organ, Slingerland drums, Musser vibes, Ork bells, percussion kit, effects kit, Fender, Ampeg and Music Man amps.
Video Equipment & Services: MCI JH45 audio/video sync lock; Sony VP-1000 3/4" U-Matic; (2) Panasonic 19" color monitors.
BTX Softouch Synchronizer, Sony BVU 8500 VCR.
Rates: On request.

**** MASTER TRACK STUDIOS
426 Bradford Dr., Jackson, MS 39208
(601) 956-8226
Owner: Rick Garner
Studio Manager: Randy Everett
Engineers: Rick Garner and Randy Everett
Dimensions of Studio: 34 x 24 x 17; 12 x 14 x 8 iso.; 8 x 12 iso.
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 22 x 22 x 12.
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Mixing Consoles: Sphere Eclipse A 28 x 24
Monitor Amplifiers: BGW, Crown, Yamaha
Monitor Speakers: JBL 4320, 4311 and Auratones
Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: Ursa Major Space Station, Lexicon Delta T, Lexicon Prime Time, EMT 262 Plate, Eventide 1745 M DDL pitch transposer, Orban 111 B
Other Outboard Equipment: (2) UREI 1176LN, (2) LA 3A, (2) dbx 160 comp, (2) dbx 163, UREI digital metronome, EXH Exciter, 28 channels dbx noise reduction, MXR pitch transposer, MXH graphic EQ, Moog parametric EQ, Oberheim DX digital drummer
Microphones: (4) Neumann U87, (8) Senn 421, (2) Senn 441, E V RE20, AKG D12E, 452, 422, 414, D1000E, Shure SM57, 58 (all others available)
Instruments Available: Juno 60, Korg MS 20 Helpinstill piano, Rhodes elec, Gibson ES Artist Fender Strat Fender Precision Bass, Fender Jazzmaster, Marshall 100W amp Fender Super Reverb, MXH effects rack Tomi Scholz Hockman amp, MXH Omni effects
Video Equipment & Services: available upon request
Rates: 24 track \$60/hr 16 track \$55/hr

**** MEGA SOUND STUDIO
 also REMOTE RECORDING
 P.O. Box 189, Main St., Bailey, NC 27807
 (919) 235-3362

Owner: Lam Recording Co., Inc
Studio Manager: Richard H. Royall, President
Engineers: Johnny Falcone, Richard H. Royall, Daniel H. Dixon
Dimensions of Studios: 18 x 30
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 12 x 18
Tape Recorders: MCI JH 114 24 Autolocator III 24 track, Scully 280B 2 track, Revox A 77 2 track, Revox A 77 1/2 track, Sony & Nakamichi cassettes
Mixing Consoles: MCI 400 Series, 24 in. x 24 out
Monitor Amplifiers: Crown, McIntosh, Phase Linear, Yamaha
Monitor Speakers: Bi-amplified JBL, and Auratone reference monitors
Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: AKG BX 20, DeltaLab DL2, Lexicon Prime Time, Eventide Harmonizer H910, Eventide Instant Flanger
Other Outboard Equipment: 24 channels of dbx noise reduction, dbx 187 noise reduction on mixdown, dbx & UREI compressor/limiters, Ashly parametric EQ, UREI 529 1/2 octave EQs, DI boxes with Jensen transformers, Eventide audio analyzer with Apple II 32K computer
Microphones: AKG, E V Neumann, HCA, Sennheiser, Shure, Sony
Instruments Available: Yamaha conservatory grand piano, Hammond B-3 organ, Fender Precision bass guitar, Fender Rhodes electric piano, Pearl drum kit with symbols by Paiste and Zildjian, Yamaha CS 60 B voice polyphonic synthesizer, Sequential Circuits Pro One monophonic synthesizer, Roland Juno 60 polyphonic synthesizer, Yamaha acoustic guitars
Video Equipment & Services: Full video production services in association with Diversified Media Equipment, JVC, Sony, Panasonic and Datamax computer animation
Rates: Write or call for rate card



MIAMI SOUND STUDIO
 Miami, FL

**** MIAMI SOUND STUDIO
 697 N.W. 28 St. Miami, FL 33127
 (305) 635-4890

Owner: Carlos and Arque Diaz Gratacos
Studio Manager: Arque Diaz Gratacos
Engineers: Carlos Diaz Gratacos, Jr., Paul Khoury
Dimensions of Studios: 17 1/2 x 13 1/4 x 28
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 17 x 10 x 15
Tape Recorders: Studer A-80 24 track, Ampex 440 B 2 track, Scully 2-80 24 track, Studer/Revox 77 2 track
Mixing Consoles: Neve 802B 24 x 16 24



Monitor Amplifiers: McIntosh 2300, 2105, 255
Monitor Speakers: JBL 4343 (Gauss), JBL 4311, Auratone, SC Tannoy, Fostex
Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: Echo delay tape, (2) EMT 140 echo chambers, Lexicon digital reverb 200, Lexicon prime time 93
Other Outboard Equipment: Eventide Harmonizer, Scamp Hack, UREI Teletronix LA2A limiters, LA3A limiters, Pultec equalizers/compressors, Neve limiters/vocal doubler, Electra digital delay, Roland phase shifter, Roland stereo flanger, Simmons Clap Trap, LinnDrum, Simmons electronic drums, Roland Dimension D
Microphones: Neumann U87s, U67s, KM84s, AKG 451, E V RE 20, Sennheiser, Shure 57, Sony C-37P, HCA 77-DX, RCA 44
Instruments Available: Yamaha grand piano, Fender Rhodes, Roland synthesizer, Rhythmic Box harmonizer, Slingerland drums, Spire, Hammond B3
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Studio Manager: Rick Norvell
Engineers: Al Craig, Kevin Burgart, Client independents
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Dimensions of Studios: 45' air ride trailer
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 20' x 8'3"
Tape Recorders: (2) Otari MTR-90 II 24 or 46 track, MTR 12 1/2" 2 track, MTR 10 4 track, Sony #1CFX 1010 cassette
Mixing Consoles: Sound Workshop Series 34 balanced and transformerless 36 in x 24 out audio console
Monitor Amplifiers: Haller DH500s, Haller DH220s
Monitor Speakers: (2) Fostex LS3Bs, (2) Electro-Voice 100As, Auratone 5Cs
Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: Lexicon 200 digital reverb unit
Other Outboard Equipment: Valley People 430 stereo Dyna Mite unit, Valley People HH 2x2 level matching interfaces units with rack mount, dbx 160 X limiters, Audioarts 4200A stereo parametric equalizers, any additional outboard gear patched in upon request
Microphones: Countryman FE1 direct boxes, AKG 414s/EB/P48 with combination shock mount, 460Bs combination, with capsule swivels, D12Es, 125Es, Beyer M260s, M201s, Sennheiser MD421s, MD431s, MD441Us, Shure SM81s, SM57s, Sony ECM 50PSWs, KM86Bs, KMS84Bs, and all necessary assorted beyer stands and heavy duty booms
Video Equipment & Services: Panasonic 3400 camera and power supply, (3) Panasonic BTS 1900N color monitors, 300' video snake, (2) 150' cables, BTX Softouch System for two machines including Shadow synchronizer, Cypher SMPTE generator/reader plus front panel, video character inserter, patch bay for video interface
Rates: Quoted on a job to job basis. Please call for quote within your budget demands
Extras: Luxurious lounge for audio/video monitoring, overdubbing producer/directors' office, general clientele hang-out area. Lounge is prepared for unlimited equipment possibilities. Any and all required equipment available upon request
Direction: Mobile Audio's direction is to continue forward with excellent workmanship and new friendships based on our 1984 Client Credits consisting of Prince Revolution Tour 84/85, C B N Network Special, The Newport Jazz Festival, Kris Kristofferson, Jerry Jett Walker, Woody Herman PBS Special, B.B. King, Tony Carey, Dwight Twilley, The Judds, Earl Thomas Conley, DJH Broadway (King Biscuit Flower Hour), Auburn, University Album Project, Jerry Reed, and much much more upon request

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 also REMOTE RECORDING
 7 Roswell St., P.O.B. 228, Alpharetta, GA 30201
 (404) 475-4533

Owner: Phil Benton, Paul Davis, Joel Katz
Studio Manager: David Pensado
Engineers: David Pensado
Tape Recorders: Otari MTR-90 24 track; Ampex MM1100 16 track, 440-B 4/2 track
Mixing Consoles: Electrodyne 16/8/2, Trackside Engr. 8/24/2
Monitor Amplifiers: AB, Crown, BGW
Monitor Speakers: Les Duncan, JBL 4333A, MDM 4, Eastern Acoustic, ROR, Auratone, Yamaha, Phase Linear
Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: Lexicon 224, Ursa Major, Lexicon PCM 42, live room
Other Outboard Equipment: Harmonizers H949 & 910, dbx limiters 165-160, noise reduction for all machines, Chorus Echo-2, B gates, Lacy Thompson CLX-2 ltn/compress/de-ess/duck/exp, Orban, Audioarts, Sphere, API, Orange County, UREI filters, Time Cube
Microphones: AKG, Neumann, Shure, E V, Sennheiser
Instruments Available: Synclavier II, Prophet 5, Linn, Simmons, Jupiter 8, Yamaha elec grand, Rhodes, Wuritzer, Ovalton, Tele, Martin, Les Paul Marshalls, Fender Twin & Super, Peavey artist
Video Equipment & Services: 1/2" record or monitor
Rates: Call for rates

**** MORRISOUND RECORDING INC.
 also REMOTE RECORDING
 5120 N. Florida Ave., Tampa, FL 33603
 (813) 238-0226

Owner: Morrisound Recording Inc
Studio Manager: Tom and Laurel Morris
Dimensions of Studios: A 22 x 24; B designed for voiceover and production
Dimensions of Control Rooms: A 22 x 18; B 13 x 6
Tape Recorders: Otari MTR-90 24 track, Otari 5050 1/2" 8 track, (2) Otari 5050B 2 tracks, Denon cassette decks (4), Otari MTR 12 1/2" 2 track
Mixing Consoles: Sound Workshop Series 34 w/automation 32 in x 24 out, Soundcraft 400B 16 x 8 x 4 x 2
Monitor Amplifiers: Haller
Monitor Speakers: UREI 811A, UREI 813B, JBL 4312s, EAW M550s, Auratones, E V Sentry 100s
Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: Lexicon 224 digital reverb, Master Room, Eventide Harmonizer, DeltaLab DL 4 digital delay and DL 5 Harmonocomputer, Loft analog delay/flanger
Other Outboard Equipment: dbx 165s, Valley People Dyna-mites, Omni Craft noise gates, EXH exciter, dbx noise reduction, Audioarts parametrics, LAU compressor/limiter, individual musician controlled 8 channel headphone mixers
Microphones: Neumann U87s, AKG 414, 45s, E V RE20s, Sennheiser 441s, 421s, Shure SM57s, Audio Technica ATM 10, 11, 31s 41s
Instruments Available: Yamaha grand piano, Fender, Rhodes, Hammond C3 w/Leslie, Gretsch drum kit, Fender, Lab and Roland guitar amps
Video Equipment & Services: BTX Shadow system for film and video scoring and sweetening
Rates: Please call for rates

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 Tallahassee, FL 32302
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Owner: Scott S. Carswell
Studio Manager: Chris Pieser

**** MUSIC CITY MUSIC HALL
 30 Music Square West, Nashville, TN 37203
 (615) 255-9084 studio; 244-1060 office
Owner: Owen Bradley
Studio Manager: Cecile Light
Engineers: Bill Harris, Doug Crider
Dimensions of Studio: 50 x 80 x 30 with walls up, 50 x 40 x 30 with walls down
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 28 x 18 x 10
Tape Recorders: Studer A-80 24 track, Studer A-80 Master Recorder 2 track, Studer B67 2 track, Ampex AG-440 4 track, Studer B710 cassette recorder
Mixing Consoles: Neve 8038, 32 in x 24 out w/Allison Research Fader Automation
Monitor Amplifiers: McIntosh 2100s
Monitor Speakers: UREI 813s, JBL 4313s, Auratones
Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: Lexicon 224XL, (3) EMT plates, Gotham Audio digital delay, Eventide Harmonizer, Cooper Time Cube
Other Outboard Equipment: Two ADH Vocal Stressers; Scamp rack, Teletronix compressors, LA 2A, LA 3A limiters, BTX synchronizer & generator (32 tracks to 40 tracks possible), EXH Exciter, Dolby noise reduction, Eventide Phaser
Microphones: Neumann U87s, U67s, U47s, U48s, M49s, KM84s, KM56s, E V RE16s, RE20, Sony ECM50s, C500s, C55s; RCA 44s, 77s, ELA 251s, AKG 414, 105 mikes total

Instruments Available: Baldwin 9' grand, Hohner D-6 clavinet, stereo Fender Rhodes, Wurlitzer electric piano, Celeste, Zucker electric harpsichord, Deagan vibes, mamba, Hammond organ with B-3 Leslie, Yamaha PF15 Electronic piano.
Rates: Available upon request



MUSIC MILL
Nashville, TN

•••• **MUSIC MILL**
 1710 Roy Acuff Pl., Nashville, TN 37203
 (615) 254-5925
Owner: Harold Shedd/Donny Canada
Studio Manager: Paul Goldberg
Engineers: Jim Cotten, Chief Engineer, Paul Goldberg, Joe Scaife, George Clinton
Dimensions of Studios: 27 x 30 (drum, piano, and vocal iso booths)
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 22 x 14 main, 22 x 14 mix room (vocal O.D. booth)
Tape Recorders: Studer (2) A-800 24 track, Studer (2) A-800RC 1/2" 2 track; Studer (3) B-67 1/4" 2 track; Studer A-710 cassette.
Mixing Consoles: Trident TSM Allison/Fadex automation 32 in x 24 out; Trident TSM Allison/Fadex automation 28 in x 24 out
Monitor Amplifiers: McIntosh 2300, BGW 750 C, BGW 500B, BGW 250.
Monitor Speakers: Auratone Super Reds w/Master Lab cross overs, JBL 4430, Auratone S.C., White 4320 EQ, Yamaha NS-10M.
Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: (2) EMT 140, (2) BAE 1-140, Lexicon PCM 41, Lexicon Prime Time, Eventide Harmonizer, Lexicon 224x with LARC
Other Outboard Equipment: Scamp F300 expander gates, Scamp de-essers, Eventide Harmonizer, dbx 160X compressor/limiter, ADR Vocal Stresser, UREI LA 3A, UREI LA 2A, Orban de-esser, Omni Craft GT 4 noise gates, Kepex II, Marshall Tape Eliminator, Aphex Aural Exciter Type B
Microphones: Neumann U67, U87, U47, KM84, KM88, E V RE16, RE15, RE20, Sennheiser MD421, Studer SKM5, Shure SM56, SM57, SM81, AKG 452ER, 414EB, C460B, RCA 77DX, Beyer M101; Sony ECM30, Lawson PZM, Sanken CU41
Instruments Available: Yamaha 57" grand piano, Fender Rhodes 88, Wurlitzer electric piano, guitar and bass amps, full Pearl drum kit, "Dync My Piano" custom built piano with Tri Stereo Chorus
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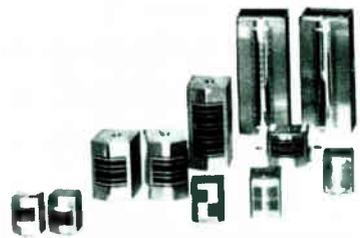


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Owner: C A Venable, Jr
Studio Manager: C A Venable, Jr.
Engineers: C A Venable Jr., Rick Brown, Annette C. Venable, Alan Swain, Ted Stovall

Dimensions of Studios: 25 x 40
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 20 x 20
Tape Recorders: Ampex 1200 24 track, Ampex ATR 800 2 track, Scully 280 2 track, Studer cassette
Mixing Consoles: Flockinger Mod 24 24/24
Monitor Amplifiers: Crown, Yamaha, White EQ and crossovers.
Monitor Speakers: JBL 4343, Auratones

Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: Live echo chamber, AKG B12E plate reverb, Lexicon 224X with LARC, Lexicon Super Prime Time, Lexicon Prime Time, Eventide Harmonizer, others available upon request.

Other Outboard Equipment: UREI 1176s, dbx 16Cs and 165s, Allson noise gates, Kepexes, Gain Brains.
Microphones: Neumann tube U48s and U47s, 87s, 89s; Telefunken tube U48; AKG tube C60, D12E, C414EB, Sennheiser, RCA; Milab, Sony; Beyer; Shure; Audio-Technica, PZM, E-V RE20.

Instruments Available: Knabe 9' concert grand piano, Linn-Drum (programmer available), guitar amplifiers: Mesa Boogie, Music Man, Fender, Ampex, Marshall; Roland guitar synthesizer, Hammond B3 with Leslie, Ludwig studio kit.

Rates: Call or write for brochure
Extras: Fresh orange juice and spring water
Direction: Recent projects include Shirley Finney, Berte Higgins, The Visitors, Sentimental Journey Orchestra, Bobby Carmichael, Mose Davis, Kodac Harrison, Bobby Whitlock, Bernadine Mitchell and Chaunkee

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2750 N.W. 56 Ave., Suite 404,
Lauderhill, FL 33313
(305) 486-9212

Owner: K&L Production
Studio Manager: Leonard Williams

◆◆◆ NEW AGE SIGHT & SOUND

Suite 164, 120 Interstate North Parkway East,
Atlanta, GA 30339
(404) 956-7956

Owner: Media Associates, Ltd., William Allgood, President.
Engineers: William Allgood, Dean Gleason, Greg Turner, Independent.

Dimensions of Studios: Studio A: 40 x 50; Studio B: 14 x 17; Video shares Studio A.
Dimensions of Control Rooms: Control Room A: 20 x 23 (LEDE type); Control Room B: 14 x 12; Video Control-Editing, 14 x 16.

Tape Recorders: MCI JH-24 w/Autolocator III 24 track, MCI IH-110 B 2 (1/4" 1/2" mastering), Sony 854-4 4 (1/4" track), Digital Sony 3324, w/Autolocator RM3300 24 track, Sony 1610 2-track processor, Sony F-1 2-track processor.

Mixing Consoles: Studio A - Sound Workshop Series 34 50 inputs, 48 automated 50 x 24 x 48, Studio B - Sound Workshop Series 34 28 inputs 28 x 24, Video - Sound Workshop Logex 8 12 x 8, Remote - Panasonic WR-500 10 x 2
Monitor Amplifiers: (2) Hafler DH-220, (2) Hafler P 500, (3) Hafler P220.

Monitor Speakers: UREI 613B, JBL 4430, Tannoy SRM-15X, Electro-Voice Sentry 100, Auratone 5C, Magnephanar, JBL 4411.
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Lexicon 224x w/LARC, Klark Teknik DN 780 digital reverb, Orban 111 B, Lexicon Prime Time II.

Other Outboard Equipment: (2) dbx 165A comp. limiters; (4) Gain-Brain II; (6) Kepex II, Eventide 969 Harmonizer, White 4400 and Vector Research 100m EQ, BTX synchronizer system



Microphones: Neumann U87, KM84, SM2, AKG 414-EB, Crown 30GP PZM, Sennheiser 421U, Electro-Voice RE-20, Shure SM-57, Sony C35-P, ECM 22-P, ECM 30 (35 microphones, total)

Instruments Available: Steinway 9' Model D, Yamaha DX7, Minimoog, Oberheim X-pander, Rhodes electric piano, Sequential Circuits drum machine.

Video Equipment & Services: Ampex VPR 2 1" recorder, (2) JVC CR8250U 3/4" edit recorders, JVC CR 6650U 3/4" recorder, Sony BVU 800 DA 3/4" edit recorder, Panasonic NV8500 professional VHS 1/2" edit recorder, IVC 2650U 1/2" VHS recorder, Sony SL-2000 1/2" Beta recorder, (3) Sony M3 three-tube cameras, JVC KM-2000 3-buss switcher w/chroma-key, Convergence/JVC VE-92 editor w/time code, Symtec PGS III computer character/graphics generator; Sony, Panasonic, NEC monitors.

Rates: Please call or write for rates — variable with digital, analog, studio, etc



NEW RIVER STUDIOS, INC.
Fort Lauderdale, FL

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also REMOTE RECORDING
408 S. Andrews Ave., Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301
(305) 524-4000/Miami 947-9393

Owner: New River Productions, Inc
Studio Manager: Virginia Cayia
Engineers: Chief: Ted Stein. Maintenance: Dale Peterson. Independent: Steve Klein, Peter Yianilos, Dennis Hetzendorfer, Eric Schilling.

Dimensions of Studios: 36 x 22 w/ceilings of 18 & 13, Iso Booth: 9 x 12.

Dimensions of Control Rooms: 24 x 20
Tape Recorders: (2) Studer A800 Mark III 24 track; (2) Studer A80 1/2" & 1/4" 2 track; (2) Studer B710 cassettes; Studer/Revox B77 2 track.

Mixing Consoles: Neve 8108 w/Necam 96 56 in x 48 out.
Monitor Amplifiers: Acoustat TNT200
Monitor Speakers: UREI 813 B Main Monitors, JBL 4311s, JBL 4430s, Auratone 5Cs, Yamaha NS10s.

Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: EMT 251 digital reverb, EMT 140 Plate, (2) Lexicon 42 digital delays, AMS RMX-16 digital reverb

Other Outboard Equipment: (2) Eventide H949 Harmonizers, Eventide H910 Harmonizer, Dolby SP48 noise reductions, Dolby 361s, Lexicon Super Prime Time, (Scamp rack with Dynamic noise filters, Auto Panner, Time Shaper, De-esser, parametric equalizer, gates, scamp compressor/limiter) dbx 165 compressor/limiter, dbx 162 compressor/limiter, Teletronix LA2As, ADR Vocal Stressor, Neve compressor/limiter, Kepex II equalizers and Gain Brain.

Microphones: Neumann M49, U87, U89, U47, KM86, KM84; AKG 414, D12, D19; Beyer M88, M101; Schoeps CMTS 501, MK4; Sennheiser MD421U; Shure SM57, SM81; Sony C37P; Crown PZM30; Electro-Voice RE20, 666, Countryman Isomax Pro H.

Instruments Available: Yamaha C7D 7'4" grand piano, Dyno My, Fender Rhodes 73, Hammond B3 Organ & Leslie, Micro Moog & Arp 2600, Sonor Drum Kit, Music Man 112RD amp, Mesa Boogie amp, Ampeg B15 bass amp, Yamaha A4115 keyboard amp.

Video Equipment & Services: JVC 3/4" Umatc VCR, JVC 2082 monitors, w/O Lock 3.10 synchronizer

Rates: Available upon request Block bookings available All equipment included in rates.

Extras: Private lounge with kitchen, telephone room, conference & listening room Boat dockage outside studio, home cooking, Location recording available through our association with Artisan Recorders dual 24 track mobile truck

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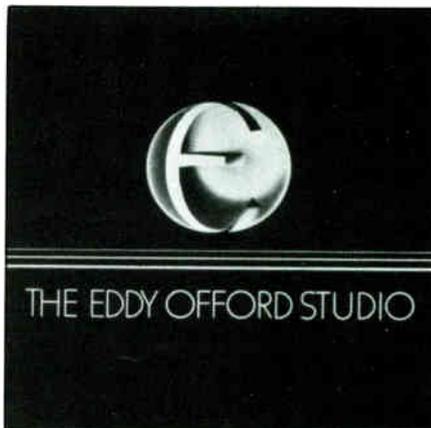
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Owner: Henry Slaughter
Studio Manager: Fred Cameron

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also REMOTE RECORDING
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(809) 754-6363

Owner: Tony Ochoa, Jack Sherdell
Studio Manager: Tony Ochoa



EDDY OFFORD STUDIOS
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also REMOTE RECORDING
P.O. Box 90903 (1493 Jefferson St.),
Atlanta, GA 30364
(404) 766-5143

Owner: Eddy Offord
Studio Manager: Valma Valle
Engineers: Eddy Offord, Chuck Allen
Dimensions of Studios: 10,000 sq. ft.
Tape Recorders: MCI JH-100 24-track; MCI JH-110 2 track; Stellamaster 2 track; Studer A-800.

Mixing Consoles: Neotek Series III, 28 in x 24 out.
Monitor Amplifiers: Crown DC 300A, D-75s (phones).
Monitor Speakers: JBL 4350s, JBL 4311s; MDM TA3s.
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Lexicon 224 digital reverb; Klark-Teknik DN34; AKG BX 20 reverb

Other Outboard Equipment: Dolby noise reduction; NTP limiters; Barth EQ; UREI limiters and compressors; Eventide digital delay, flanger harmonizer and phaser, survival projects.
Microphones: Schoeps, Neumann, Shure, Beyer, E-V, Crown PZM, and transformerless active direct boxes. We also have a unique headphone system (patent pending) that allows each musician to mix his/her own phones.

Instruments Available: Steinway B piano, Moeller pipe organ, Simmons drums, Synclavier.

Rates: Available upon request.
Extras: Kitchen services available; game and video rooms planned; guest passes available for American Fitness Center. With 550 theater seats inside, studios are video and radio broadcast capable. Accommodations can be arranged for out of town visitors.

Direction: Eddy Offord produced 7 albums by Yes and engineered 4 albums by Emerson, Lake & Palmer, Melody Maker Top Ten Producers list ten years in a row. We are unlike any other

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Studio Manager: Marcus Kearns
Engineers: Marcus Kearns, Asst. David York (also independent)
Dimensions of Studios: 12 x 20; Iso booth 6 x 10.
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 20 x 24.
Tape Recorders: Studer A80 VU MK III 24 track; Studer A80 RC 2 track (1/2"), A810 (1/4") 2 track, A710 cassette.
Mixing Consoles: MCI JH 636 30 x 24 automated, fully loaded
Monitor Amplifiers: Banner 900 power amp, Banner 300 power amp, NAD 250.
Monitor Speakers: JBL 4430, 4401, 4311.
Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: Lexicon 224X with LARC digital reverb, Lexicon Super Prime Time, Eventide H949 Harmonizer.
Other Outboard Equipment: Scamp rack (dual de-esser, comp/lim., exp/gate, dual gate), White Equalizers.
Microphones: AKG, Sennheiser 421s, Neumann (87s & 89s), Electro-Voice, Shure.
Instruments Available: Bosendorfer 74" grand piano, Fairlight CMI (with A/C), Yamaha DX7, Oberheim OB-Xa, Oberheim DSX sequencer, ARP 2600, LinnDrum computer, Simmons drums, Sonor acoustic drums, Roland 350 Vocoder, Gibson Les Paul, Roland, Ampeg amps, Yamaha CP-70 electric grand, Fender Rhodes, Garfield Mini-Doc.
Rates: Upon request.

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Studio Manager: Mike Panepento
Engineers: Mike Panepento, Andy Bray, Daniel Whiteside.
Dimensions of Studios: 25 x 23 main; 15 x 20 keyboard room; 12 x 8 iso.
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 25 x 23 main; 15 x 8 edit/copy room.
Tape Recorders: Ampex MM-1200 24 track, ATR-800 2 track, ATR-102 2 track, ATR-700 2 track; TEAC 3340 4 track; Technics and JVC cassettes.
Mixing Consoles: Trident Series 70 28 x 16; Quantum QM-128 20 x 8.
Monitor Amplifiers: BGW and Yamaha.
Monitor Speakers: JBL 4411, 4311B, 4401; Auratones
Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: Lexicon 224; Eventide Harmonizer & Flanger; MXR DDL, Yamaha REV-1 digital reverb, Roland Vocoder.
Other Outboard Equipment: Orban parametrics; UREI, Eventide and Ashly comp/limiters.
Microphones: Neumann, Shure, E.V., RCA, Sennheiser, AKG.
Instruments Available: Synclavier II w/16 voices, digital music printing, sample-to-disk, DEC VT-100 monitor, Prism 80 printer, LinnDrum; Yamaha G-2 piano; Hammond B-3 w/128 Leslie; Fender Rhodes; Prophet 5; Roland MC-8; ARP 2600, Odyssey, Omni; Poly and Micro Moog; full Yamaha and Pearl drum sets;

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Studio Manager: Arthur Gabe, Irene Ross

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Owner: Wayne Jernigan
Studio Manager: Mark Williams
Engineers: Steve Haigler, Mark Williams, Wayne Jernigan, Chip Garrett
Dimensions of Studios: Studio "A": 44 x 32 w/18' ceiling; Studio "B": tape duplicating; Studio "C": 28 x 24 w/12' ceiling; 18' remote recording truck.
Dimensions of Control Rooms: Studio "A": 18 x 16; Studio "C": 18 x 14 plus alcove for recorders.
Tape Recorders: Studio "A": MCI transformerless JH-24 w/JH-45 (SMPTE) 24 track, MCI transformerless JH-110B 1/2" 2 track, MCI transformerless JH-110B 1/4" 2 track, Ampex AG-440B servo w/VSO 2 track; Studio "C": MCI transformerless JH-24 track, Studer/Revov PR99 2 track; Ampex AG-440B full track, Otari MX 5050B 1/4 track.
Mixing Consoles: Studio "A": MCI transformerless/automated JH-636; 36 w/plasma meters 36 x 36; Studio "C": MCI transformerless JH-636-24 w/VCA grouping 24 x 24 (both boards purchased new, late '83).

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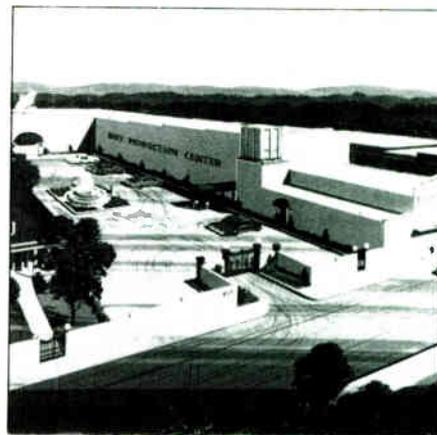
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Monitor Amplifiers: AR Systems, BGW, White room EQ, 1/6 octave A and 1/3 octave C
Monitor Speakers: TAD, IRI, Big Bed, F.V. Sentry III, KFF, PCR, also two stereo systems in the room
Echo, Reverb & Delay Systems: Lexicon 224X, IARC, EMT 140 (tube), more plate, AKG BX 20, Lexicon 200
Other Outboard Equipment: Studio A, Delta Lab digital and left anal outboard, IREI, E-V, 1/3 octave level processors, White EQ, and EXR Exciter, Dolby noise reduction on request, Studio C, dbx and Orban level processors, A: ditronics EQ, EXR Exciter
Microphones: Microphone collection includes a broad range of vintage and modern state-of-the-art Neumann, AKG, Sennheiser, Shure, F.V. Shure, and RCA
Instruments Available: Stud. A: Yamaha 74' Conservatory grand piano, Hammond B3, stereo Fender Rhodes (RR), Farfisa organ, talk piano, and other electronic keyboards, Sonor drums, Gen. Bopé percussion, Murray Gibson Fender bass, other guitars and amp, Stud. C: Kawai 74' grand piano, Sonor drums
Video Equipment & Services: Inquire
Rates: Reasonable hourly rates and excellent block rates are available for both studios. Please ask for latest rate card.

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Studio Manager: Gene Lawson

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Owner: (Royal Shield, Inc.) Homer Sheeler, Sr. Pres.
Studio Manager: Paul Adams
Engineers: Cecil O. Duke, Chief Engineer, Derek Miller, Senior Engineer, Henderson Dennis, Technician, Joseph Arrington, Jr., Art Engineer
Dimensions of Studios: 36 x 24
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 21 x 17
Tape Recorders: MCI IH 24 24/16 track, (2) MCI IH 10 2 track, TFAO 3340 4 track, Sony TC 388-4 2 track
Mixing Consoles: Harrison 28 x 24. Automated with Alltron 65k programmer
Monitor Amplifiers: Melatosh Crown Yamaha BGW
Monitor Speakers: Altec, Big Bed, IRI 4331A, IRI 4311, MDM 4, Auratone
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: EMT 140T, AKG BX 10/II, Lexicon Prime Time, Eventide Harmonizer
Other Outboard Equipment: IREI 1176, IREI IA 4, Invoices 201, Eventide Omnipressor, ADR Vocal Stressor, F769X B ADR sweep equalizer, ADR noise gates, Orban de esser, Dolby noise reduction (4 channel)
Microphones: Neumann U97, Neumann U47, Neumann KM84, AKG 414, Sennheiser 421, Electro-Voice RE 20, Shure SM 57, Shure SM 58, Shure SM 61
Instruments Available: Fender Precision bass guitar, Fender Bassman Ten amplifier, Fender Twin Reverb guitar amplifier, Hammond B3 organ w/ Leslie, Fender Rhodes 88' piano, Ludwig drums, set Yamaha organ
Video Equipment & Services: Available on request
Rates: \$100/hr. special rate for projects. Variable with volume/block time per record. Call for quote.

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Studio Manager: Jeff Kinder



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Nashville, TN

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(615) 385-2820
Owner: Mae Ball, Kitty Moon, President

**** SCRUGGS SOUND STUDIO, INC.
2828 Azalea Place, Nashville, TN 37204
(615) 383-7994
Owner: Randy Scruggs and Steve Scruggs
Studio Manager: Dorothy Smith
Engineers: Call for information
Dimensions of Studios: 26 x 35 w/cathedral ceiling
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 12 x 16
Tape Recorders: MCI IH 24 transformerless 24 track, MCI IH 110 1/2 transformerless 2 track, MCI IH 110 1/4 transformerless 2 track, Sony cassette deck
Mixing Consoles: MCI IH 636 w/full automation & VCA group ing, 28 in x 24 cut
Monitor Amplifiers: McIntosh 2300, Crown DC 300, Crown DC 150, BGW
Monitor Speakers: Altec 604E Big Beds w/Mastering Lab cross overs, IRI 4311s, MDM 4 mixdown monitors, Auratone, Beyer Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems, Lexicon digital reverb, custom plate reverb, Lexicon Prime Time
Other Outboard Equipment: Vocal Stressor, Audiotics stereo parametrics, dbx compressor/limiters, MXR phaser, Eventide Harmonizer, API 550 A EQ, 24 tracks dbx noise reduction, Orban Silence Controller, noise gates and EXR Exciter
Microphones: Neumann U97, KM84, U47, AKG 414s, 451s, 452s, Sennheiser 431s, Sony condensers, Calrec condensers, Shure SM57s, SM58, E-V RE 20s, Beyer condenser
Instruments Available: Yamaha 7 1/2 grand piano, stereo Rhodes 88 electric piano, ARP synthesizer, Ludwig wood shell drums, various assortment of amplifiers, musical instruments, Hammond A 100 organ w/ Leslie, Oberheim drum machine, other equipment available on rental basis
Rates: Call for rates

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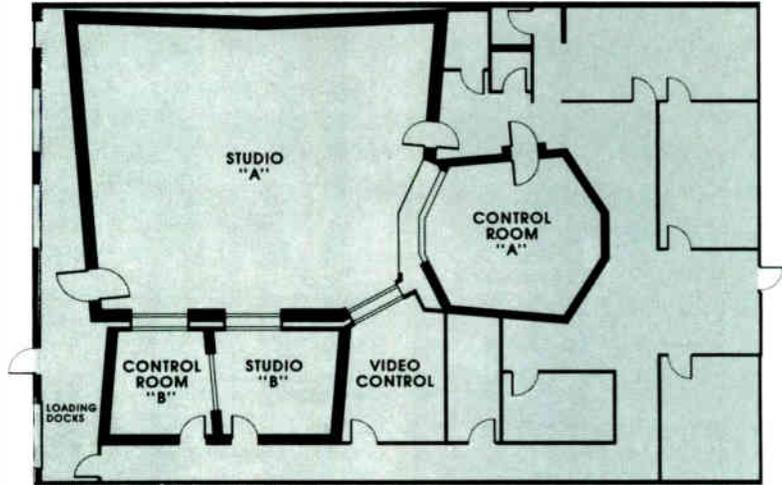
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Engineers: Rick Horton, Gary Laney (staff), Mike Poston, Charlie Tallent, Billy Sherrill, (independent)
Dimensions of Studios: A: 33 x 39 x 22 w/16 x 20 string alcove; B: 14 x 23 x 14 dog leg and 10 x 7 drum booth.
Dimensions of Control Rooms: A: 20 x 20; B: 15 x 17
Tape Recorders: Studer A-80 VU II 24 track, Studer A-80 VU MKIV 24 track, (2) Studer A-80 BC 2 track (1/4" & 1/2"), (4) Studer B-67 2 track, (3) Studer B-710 (cassette), Mitsubishi X800 32 track, digital Mitsubishi X-80 2 track.
Mixing Consoles: Studio A: Neve F128 w/Necam 96 automation 44 x 32, Studio B: Harrison 3232 w/automation 32 x 32.
Monitor Amplifiers: BGW, Halfer, Crown, Sony.
Monitor Speakers: Sierra (Gauss woofers, TAD drivers); Yamaha NS-10, Auratone 5c & T6.
Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: EMT 140 stereo plates, (2) acoustic echo chambers, AMS RMS-16, Quantec QRS Room Simulator (8 x 10 x 35)
Other Outboard Equipment: Dolby (2, 24), DDL, vocal stessor, Neve limiters, Priritime, phasers, flangers, various limiters/compressors, noise gates.
Microphones: AKG, Neumann, PZM, RCA, Sanken, Sennheiser, E-V, Studer, Superscope, Wright, Shure
Instruments Available: Fender Rhodes, Wuritzer, Hammond organs, clavinet, celeste, Chickering grand piano (Studio A), Steinway grand piano (Studio B), Jack piano, tympani, congas, vibes, marimba, orchestra bells, Minimoog, harpachord.
Video Equipment & Services: Video playback and syncing capabilities.
Rates: Upon request.

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Studio Manager: Paul Avakian

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Studio Manager: Pat Meyer
Engineers: Chief Engineer: Brent King Maintenance Supervisor: Mike Porter Engineers: Ron Treat, Steve Tillisch.
Dimensions of Studios: Studio A (front stage): 48 x 30; Studio B (back stage): 30 x 20
Dimensions of Control Rooms: Front stage: 15 x 30. Back stage: 24 x 24.
Tape Recorders: (2) Studer A-80 24/16 track Studer A-80 1/2"; Studer A-80 1/4" 2 track; Studer B-67 1/4" 2 track, upon request JVC Digital System 2 track
Mixing Consoles: Neve 8068 w/Necam, 32 in x 16 out, Trident w/65k automation TSM, 32 in x 24 out
Monitor Amplifiers: AB Systems, McIntosh, BGW, Crown.
Monitor Speakers: George Aurispurger custom monitors, JBL 1176s, Auratone, Bohvar, JBL 4311, Yamaha NS10.
Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: EMT 251 digital reverb, (4) EMTs, EMT Gcid Foil, Lexicon Delta T, Lexicon Prime Time,

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Mixing Consoles: Sound Workshop 3028 MB 28 w/parametric EQ automation & Super Group.
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Tape Recorders: Otari MTR 90-II 24 track; TEAC 6100 2 track; Otari MTR 10 2 track, MX 5050B 2 track.
Mixing Consoles: Soundcraft TS24 32/24.
Monitor Amplifiers: Yamaha, Crown, BGW, McIntosh.
Monitor Speakers: Steven Durr Custom Monitors (JBL, TAD), MDM TA-2, Yamaha NS10M, Auratones.
Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: Ursa Major 8X32 digital reverb, Korg programmable digital delay, Loft analog delay/flanger, Roland Chorus Echo, Eventide harmonizer.
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Dimensions of Control Rooms: 14 x 11
Tape Recorders: MCI JH 116-24 24 track, JH 110-A 2 track, JH 110 2 track; Sony PCM 10 digital 2 track.
Mixing Consoles: Sound Workshop Series 1600 with automation 28/24.
Monitor Amplifiers: APT Model 1, Crown
Monitor Speakers: JBL 4430, 4311, Rogers Studio One, Auratone, Visonik/David 702, Yamaha NS-10
Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: AKG BX-10, Ecoplate III, Lexicon Prime Time, Eventide Harmonizer, Klark-Teknik Analogue Processor, Lexicon 200, (2) Lexicon PCM 42.
Other Outboard Equipment: UREI 1176N, dbx 165, ADR stereo complex limiter, (2) Allison Gain Brain II, (2) Kepex II, ADR Scamp rack incl. (4) F-300 gates, parametric EQ, Orban de-esser.
Microphones: AKG, Neumann, Sennheiser, Sony, Shure E-V, Beyers.
Instruments Available: Yamaha grand, Fibes drums, percussion.
Video Equipment & Services: BTX Shadow, BTX Reader/Generator, Sony VP Series 3/4" video, providing interlock with 24 track.
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Engineers: Doug Johnson, Mike Clark
Dimensions of Studios: George Augspurger designed — Main room 25 x 40, Iso Booth: 1-15 x 18, 2-16 x 20, Dead Alcove 12 x 12, Vocal Booth 8 x 10
Dimensions of Control Rooms: George Augspurger design — 22 x 26.
Tape Recorders: Ampex 1200 24 track, Studer A80 2 track, (2) Ampex 440 2 track.
Mixing Consoles: Harrison 2824 with automation.
Monitor Amplifiers: Crest, Hafler, BGW, Crown, AB.
Monitor Speakers: Custom George Augspurger System — JBL 4311, 4301, AR and Auratones.
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Lexicon 224, EMT, Super Prime Time, Eventide Harmonizer.
Other Outboard Equipment: Dolby, Orban parametric EQ, Vocal stresser, Kepex, Auto Flanger, dbx 165 and 160 limiters, UREI EQ, AudioTec Exciter.
Microphones: Neumann 87s, 47s; AKG 414s; Sennheiser 441s, 421s; EV RE20, Wright mikes
Instruments Available: Ludwig drums, Yamaha grand, Rhodes.
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Studio Manager: Lynn Nieder
Engineers: Rick Moulton, Rick Michael.
Dimensions of Studio: 25 x 30.
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 20 x 16.
Tape Recorders: MCI-Sony JH 24 24 and 16 tracks, (2) MCI JH-110 2 track; Otari-Tascam cassette duplication (8 cassettes); Sony (digital) F-1 2 track.

Mixing Consoles: MCI-Sony JH-636 30/24.
Monitor Amplifiers: BGW, JBL, Yamaha, SAE.
Monitor Speakers: JBL-4430, Yamaha-NS-10, Auratones.
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Lexicon 224X, Lexicon PCM-60, (2) Lexicon PCM 42, Eventide Harmonizer.
Other Outboard Equipment: UREI LA-3s, 1176s; dbx 160s, Allison Research Gain Brains and Kepexes, Orban De-Esser, Valley People Dyna-Mics, Valley People 610, Audioarts parametrics, EXR-EXIV, AXE direct boxes.
Microphones: U87s, 414s; PZMs; Shure SM-85s, 57s, 56s, 81s; Beyers 160s; etc.
Instruments Available: Kawai 6' grand, Hammond B-3, Linn-Drum computer, most any instrument available on rental basis.
Video Equipment & Services: Video productions available.
Rates: Upon request. Hourly and block rates are both available.

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Engineers: Dave Shipley, Chief Engineer; Richard Stevens, Tom Harding
Dimensions of Studio: 42 x 30 plus vocal booth, 24' ceiling; 12 x 14 drum booth with 13' ceiling.
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 22 x 24.
Tape Recorders: 3M 32-track digital, Studer A80 24 track; Studer A80 1/2" 2 track; Studer B67 2 track; Scully 280 (3) IVC 2 track digital Ampex ATR 800 2 track.
Mixing Consoles: Trident Model 80 32 in 56 out, 12 Trident "A" range mike and EQ modules.
Monitor Amplifiers: Crown, BGW, Quad, McIntosh, UREI and Studer.
Monitor Speakers: Westlake Design, JBL 4320, 4311; "Little Red"; Tannoy SRM 10B.
Echo, Reverb, and Delay Systems: Live echo chamber, Echoplate, AKG BX20, (2) Prime Times, Sony digital reverb DRE-2000.
Other Outboard Equipment: ADR Scamp rack with 13 modules, ADR Vocal Stressor, (4) dbx limiters, (3) UREI limiters, Eventide Harmonizer, Eventide Flanger, de-essers, noise gates, (4) Kepex II noise gates.
Microphones: Neumann, U87, U67, U47, KM84; AKG 414, 452, D-100E; Shure SM77; E-V RE-15, RE-20; Crown PZM; Sony ECM-50; RCA 77, D-12, AKG C12A, The Tube, (2) Bruel and Kjaer.
Instruments Available: Baldwin grand, Fender Rhodes, Fender amps, Pearl drums w/extra toms, Hammond D-3 organ, Multimooog, Korg Polysix.
Video Equipment & Services: Available for video use, the studio has spacious rooms and high ceilings, and very impressive interior decor.
Rates: \$85 to \$125/hr; day and week block rates available on request.
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Studio Manager: Tom Markham

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Studio Manager: Tom Markham

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Engineers: Tommy Cooper, Brendan O'Brien.
Dimensions of Studio: 70 x 35 (2,450 sq. ft.) (1,100 sq. ft. hardwood floors); 3 isolation booths.
Dimensions of Control Rooms: 21 x 20.
Tape Recorders: Studer A-80 24 track; Studer A-80 VU 2 track; Studer A-80 RC 2 track; Ampex 440B 2 track.
Mixing Consoles: Sphere Eclipse Type C 32 in x 24 out.

Monitor Amplifiers: Crest P-3500/AB 410; Yamaha P-2200; AB 105.

Monitor Speakers: JBL 4350; JBL 4313; ROR; Auratones.
Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: EMT 250 digital reverb, EMT 140 plate; Eventide Harmonizer (model H949); Lexicon PCM 41, Prime Time, Delta T; Marshall Time Modulator; MXR flanger/doubler; Roland RE-301 chorus/echo; two live echo chamber.
Other Outboard Equipment: UREI 1176, LA-3A 527 graphic EQ, 550 filters; dbx 165, 162, 160; ADR Vocal Stressor; Orange Country Vocal Stressor; Audio Arts 4200 EQ; Orban De-Esser, Parasound EQ; Pultec EQP-1A3 EQ; Allison Gain Brain, Kepex; 24 track Dolby and dbx noise reduction; 2 track Dolby noise reduction.
Microphones: Neumann U87, U89, KM84, KM86, KM88, U47, FET; AKG 414, C24 (stereo tube), 451, 452, 224; Schoeps (Studer) SKH54U; Sennheiser 421, 441; Shure SM56, SM57, SM58; E-V RE-10, RE-15, RE-20, 635.

Instruments Available: Baldwin 9' grand piano (SD-10), Fender Rhodes, Wurliizer electric piano, Hammond B-3, Hohner D-6 clavinet, Oberheim OB-X polyphonic synthesizer, Yamaha electronic organ, xylophone, vibes, drums, assorted percussion; Fender, Marshall, acoustic, Ampeg amplifiers; Minimoog, ARP Odyssey, ARP Pro-Soloist, Univox Stringman, Prophet-5, Roland JP-8.
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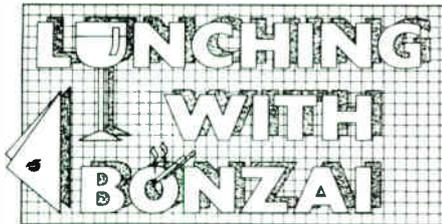
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Studio Manager: Ema Jean Bean - Traffic Manager
Engineers: Ken Cribles, Tim Farmer, Denny Purcell.
Dimensions of Studio: A: 45 x 36 x 22. B: 41 x 30 x 15.
Dimensions of Control Rooms: Both A & B: 30 x 15.
Tape Recorders: Studer A80 MKIV 16 and 24 track; Studer A800 24 track; (2) Studer A80-R 2 track; (2) Studer A80-RC 2 track; Mitsubishi X80 2 track; Studer 1/2" analog Pre-Lusten 2 track; Mitsubishi digital delay 2 track; Sony-FI digital 2 track.
Mixing Consoles: Neve 8038, 24 in x 24 out; Neve 8078, 36 in x 24 out.
Monitor Amplifiers: AB systems 410; McIntosh MC2200, Times One.
Monitor Speakers: THE-1, MDM-4, Westlake TM1, Auratones, Altec 9845, MDM-4.
Echo, Reverb, & Delay Systems: EMT Plates, AKG, Prime Time, DDL.
Other Outboard Equipment: UREI digital metronome; Eventide Harmonizers; Pandora digital time line; UREI 1176s (5-A, 4-B), Eventide Clockworks Instant Phaser; Orban De-esser 1-50 or 60; crystal syn. pulse generator; 14KC signal generator sync. (for film use); Nakamichi 700 III cassette deck; Nakamichi 1000 II cassette decks; 66 channels Dolby; 56 channels dbx; (4) UREI LA-4As; ADR Vocal Stressor; (2) Lexicon Prime Times.
Microphones: AKG C414 EB, C452 EB, D224 E; Altec M49; E-V RE-11, RE-15, RE-16, RE-20, RE-50, 635A, 668, 1751 & 649; Neumann U87, U47, U67, KM86, M 249B, RM84; Sennheiser MD 421U; Shure SM56, SM53, SM54, SM7; Sony ECM50, ECM22P, C55; Studer SKM5-U, Sanken IMP-1600.
Instruments Available: Baldwin concert grand SD 9', Steinway model B, Hammond organs (B-3, C-3), Wurliizer electric pianos, Fender Rhodes (Dyn-o-my), Hohner clavinet, Allen electric harpsicord, celeste, electronic chime, vibes, tack piano, ARP String Ensemble, Fender guitar amps, studio, drums, congas, latin percussion.
Video Equipment & Services: 1/2" and 3/4" playback and monitor.
Rates: On request.

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JIM KELTNER

THE SUNNY SIDE OF THE BEAT



by Mr. Bonzai

Whether conscious or not, you've been rocked in Jim Keltner's rhythmic cradle. Perhaps it was a pop-doodle Gary Lewis Top 40 smash, a painful Lennon revelation, a Dylan revival meeting, or a playful Van Dyke Parks romp—but the chances are very good that your soul's foot has tapped in time to this man's heartbeat.

Our first lunching got cancelled because of a last minute call from Jackson Browne. To fit the Keltner schedule, I fangled a mobile lunching with Jim during a drive to Paiste in Orange County. He had to make a hurried visit to the cymbal manufacturer to test out some new splashes, high-hats and rides.

My arrival at Jim's home coincided with the departure of Ry Cooder. As we shook hands quickly, I glanced around a living room festooned with Germanic sideboards and massive carved furniture. We zipped out to the car and settled in for a freeway chat.

Bonzai: What do you think of the changes brought about by electronic drums?

Keltner: I used to be intimidated by all the new drum machines. When I realized how much fun it could be, I started getting into it. It's worth taking the time to learn. With that attitude alone, I got into it immediately—and I don't consider myself a guy with heavy duty brainpower like a lot of my friends. I just had the desire.

Bonzai: When did this start happening?

Keltner: In February, 1982, when I was getting ready to do a tour of Europe with Ry Cooder. This was my first tour with him and I wanted to have some special percussion—logs and bells and funny sounds rather than just the drums.

I soon realized that it was going to be very complicated. I would need a big



PHOTO MR BONZAI

Session drummer Jim Keltner in a familiar pose.

rack and I would have to find the right logs and carry them around. I wanted a big sound and you need big logs.

I met my buddy John Parker, who was then the manager of the drum section at the Guitar Center in Hollywood, and he showed me one of the first Simmons SDS-5s. It looked crazy at first but we tried it out and my mind was blown. They sounded big and tubby and punchy—just what I was looking for. From that point on I was hooked.

I don't play heavy, loud, crunch rock 'n' roll myself, but I like a lot of the drummers I hear playing that way. Some guys have problems with the idea of playing electronic drums and with some it's difficult to physically adjust, but to me they're just a logical extension of the drum kit. You hear the SDS-5 on every other record on the radio, so I try not to play them in the same conventional way. I still love the sound of real drums.

Bonzai: Do you blend the two?

Keltner: Yes, and for a while I've been using the Simmons SDS-7 unit, which is incredible because you can blow your own chips for it. I'm in the process of creating some new sounds of my own—not necessarily drum sounds. With these machines, you can improve on your real drum sounds with various triggering devices like the MX-1. We just did that

with the new Linn 9000 the other day and it was pretty amazing. The sensitivity isn't quite there yet, but the technology for it is. It just needs to be made more affordable. I love playing drums and I know there is no way they'll be totally replaced by machines.

Bonzai: Do you think that younger drummers are missing out on perfecting their organic chops?

Keltner: Sure, there's going to be a lot of that. There are some players who are becoming very good programmers. They are doing some really nice drum things and I don't see anything wrong with that, but I think that if really good drummers get into the machines it will be even better.

Bonzai: You have a remarkably open attitude . . .

Keltner: I don't see them as a threat—they're my friends, and they are obviously only as good as the hands that are on them. I want to learn. Doing patterns on a drum machine is not as easy as you would think. The better drummer you are, and the more technique you have, the more you may be inclined to overdo it.

Bonzai: Hal Blaine said that it was knowing when *not* to play.

Keltner: Hal used to tell me that all the

time. With the drum machines it's the same thing. I've really gotten crazy at times—I'd start doing something really nice and by the time I'd finished, I'd have too much garbage on it—just by getting too excited and letting my ears fool me. When you're playing drums or using a machine, it still comes down to musical sensibility, and sensitivity.

Bonzai: When did you play your first professional gig?

Keltner: It was at Jefferson Recreation Center in Pasadena—seven bucks for the night. I met my wife while I was in junior high in Pasadena.

Bonzai: Can you remember the first session or gig where you really felt like you were on your way?

Keltner: Well, I jumped quickly. Around '65 I joined up with Gary Lewis & the Playboys, and went directly from playing jazz on the Sunset Strip to playing pop-rock.

Bonzai: Didn't Leon Russell write one of their big hits?

Keltner: Right, in fact I met Leon at a studio a few nights after joining Gary. We found out that we had Tulsa in common, along with Carl Radle, the bass player and Tommy Triplehorn, the guitar play-

er. All these Tulsa people surfaced and it took my career into a whole new ballgame. I had been with Gary for just a couple of months before we went into the studio. Hal Blaine had played drums on all his stuff prior to that, but they decided to give me a shot. I hadn't really been in a studio before, other than doing a few demos, and I didn't know exactly what to do. I watched Hal on a few things and he gave me a few pointers. Suddenly after being proficient in playing jazz I found myself not knowing what to do with rock 'n' roll. I really wanted to make it good and authentic. To tell the truth, I wanted to sound like Hal, and I didn't. To me I sounded real clumsy and weird, too tight and a little too busy—like a little mouse.

Bonzai: Did you have a drum kit like his?

Keltner: I had a jazz kit, and I didn't know at the time that tuning was so important. Hal gave me some important tips, and by the time we cut "Just My Style", I had it together enough to sound convincing. It was a hit. Blam, the first thing I did in the studio was a big hit record. It was a thrill to hear it on the radio, and I was really hooked.

Then I was fired after seven months for a stupid reason. I brought it on myself, and there was a clash. It was about three years before I did any more

recording. You remember the "Gene Krupa Story", where he was busted for pot, and his reputation was ruined? They showed him playing dives and strip joints with his head hanging down. That's how I felt. I went from being a star and signing autographs in supermarkets to playing in terrible little clubs all around L.A. with an accordion player, a weird singer and no bass.

Finally, I got with a couple of nice little groups, like the Afro-Blues Quintet. We even played in Watts during the riots—it was a wild experience being the only white guy around.

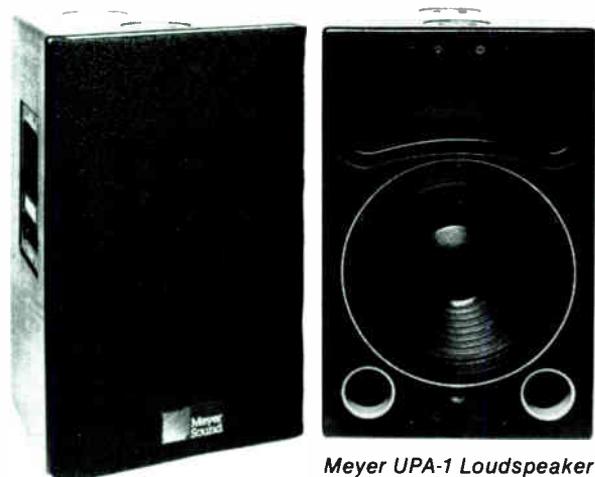
Bonzai: Both you and Hal have been in that situation.

Keltner: White musicians love to talk about it—makes us sound soulful, but it really was a great experience. Around '68 I went into the studio with Gabor Szabo to do his first album. Then in '69 I joined Delaney & Bonnie & Friends, with Carl Radle.

Bonzai: Of all the people you've worked with, who are your favorites?

Keltner: It's impossible to say, when you've worked with people like Lennon and Dylan, and Randy Newman—some of the great songwriters of all time. It's very hard to say, but I guess Dylan is my

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favorite. I loved working with John, too—I always felt like I was on a cloud when I was around him.

Bonzai: Which of his records did you play on?

Keltner: I drummed on two tunes on the *Imagine* album. I still get a lump in my throat when I hear "Jealous Guy." It reminds me so much of that time. He sang it so pretty and it's such a pretty little song. I also played on "I Don't Want to be a Soldier." After that I did all of his stuff until he took that long break, got back with Yoko, and was raising Sean.

Bonzai: So you were around John during those really tough times?

Keltner: I was. He was going through being away from Yoko. It didn't look like it was painful to a lot of folks, but to me and a few other people that were hanging with him all the time, believe me, it was a painful period for him. He loved Yoko so much. She was the true love of his life—period.

He loved Yoko for all the reasons that you love a woman. She was a really important part of his life, so when they separated he went a little crazy and drank rather heavily, but a lot of that has been exaggerated. I've talked with my wife Cynthia about the things that have been written about his "lost weekend" in Los Angeles—in all fairness he wasn't crazed *all* the time. We had some wonderful sane moments.

Bonzai: Can you describe working with him?

Keltner: Musically, the one thing that always stood out for me with John—the big difference between working with him and a lot of other people—was that his songs played themselves. They were just so complete when he came to us with them. He would bring a little chord chart and there was hardly ever any reworking. I never had to search for a drum part. Generally, it all just fell into place. It always amazed me.

Bonzai: How did you get introduced to Bob Dylan?

Keltner: I was in Leon's studio with Carl Radle and Jesse Ed Davis. Leon wanted to cut some of Dylan's songs to send to him as a Christmas present. We did "Hard Rain" and a couple of other tunes. After that I went off to England with my family and I got a call from Leon saying that we were going to do a session with Dylan. I went out of my mind. I returned to New York and we recorded "Watching the River Flow" and "When I Paint My Masterpiece." It was fantastic meeting Dylan and watching how he worked. He had a cold that day and you can hear it on those songs. He was completing the lyrics and I'd look over at him, standing up against the wall. I could see his lips moving and he was writing things on a little pad. He'd talk to Leon a little and make a few changes. We just did a couple of takes and that was it.

A while later we did the soundtrack for *Pat Garrett and Billy the Kid*. "Knockin' on Heaven's Door" turned out to be a single and I still love listening to that. I didn't hear from him again until he had recorded *Slow Train* and he called me to come and hear it and see if I wanted to go on tour with him. After I'd heard *Slow Train* I said I'd go—wherever you want to go, whatever you want to do.

I spent two years with him on tour and played on two albums: *Saved* and *Shot of Love*. Both of those albums were at the peak of his experience with Jesus, where he was really telling the world. Everybody comes to their own conclusions about that, but I definitely can tell you that it was a very powerful time in my life and I could see that it was an extremely powerful time in his life. I actually saw him change from being pretty hard to be around, to a guy that was incredibly open and wonderful to be around.

Everybody's got a story about Bob and a lot of them are about how cold he is. I've heard people say that they worked with Dylan for 12 hours and he never said a word. That always makes

me laugh, because I've been in that situation, too—but I know the other side of him as well.

Bonzai: What have you been up to for the past couple of years?

Keltner: I've been working a lot of Ry Cooder as a sort of band member and partner. I'm really enjoying that because Cooder is one of my very favorite musicians in the world. The guy plays guitar like nobody else. He's not an Eddie Van Halen—he's not a solo type of guy. He can't really play that type of guitar—I think he can, but he says he can't.

But what he does with the slide guitar—nobody else can touch him.

He's been doing a lot of film work—*Southern Comfort*, *The Long Riders*, *Streets of Fire*. I've played on a good bit of the film stuff—we did some wonderful things on *Streets of Fire* but a lot of it got covered up by loud sound effects. Ry did *Paris, Texas* with Jimmy Dickinson. It's Cooder at his best, with that real lonely sound of the slide guitar.

Bonzai: Do you compose?

Keltner: Not really. What I do is come up with sketches and grooves and little melody hooks and stuff that I work on at my house. Ry was here today to pick up a tape I worked on last night. He'll take that home and listen and get ideas and build around that, maybe write some words. I've put a few words throughout the tape. We just send our ideas back and forth.

Bonzai: You were both recently playing with Van Dyke Parks, weren't you?

Keltner: Yeah, we did McCabe's. We backed up Sir Lancelot—an 82-year old guy who was one of the inventors of Calypso music. It was a wild combination. The band was very sympathetic—we played with great dynamics, and we hit some mean grooves.

Bonzai: We're talking about a type of music that isn't going to soar up the *Billboard* charts...

Keltner: That's right.

Bonzai: How do you feel about that? Do you just go with your instincts?

Keltner: Absolutely. I've had the great pleasure and honor of playing with some great musicians and writers—great artists. Some records have become big hits and some will never be heard, but I wouldn't trade any of it. Van Dyke is working on a film score now with Lennie Nesihaus. It should be a lot of fun and a little challenging. His mind is so bizarre and then some poor sucker like me has to come along and play what he dreams up.

Bonzai: Who's your best musical friend?

Keltner: I would have to say Cooder,

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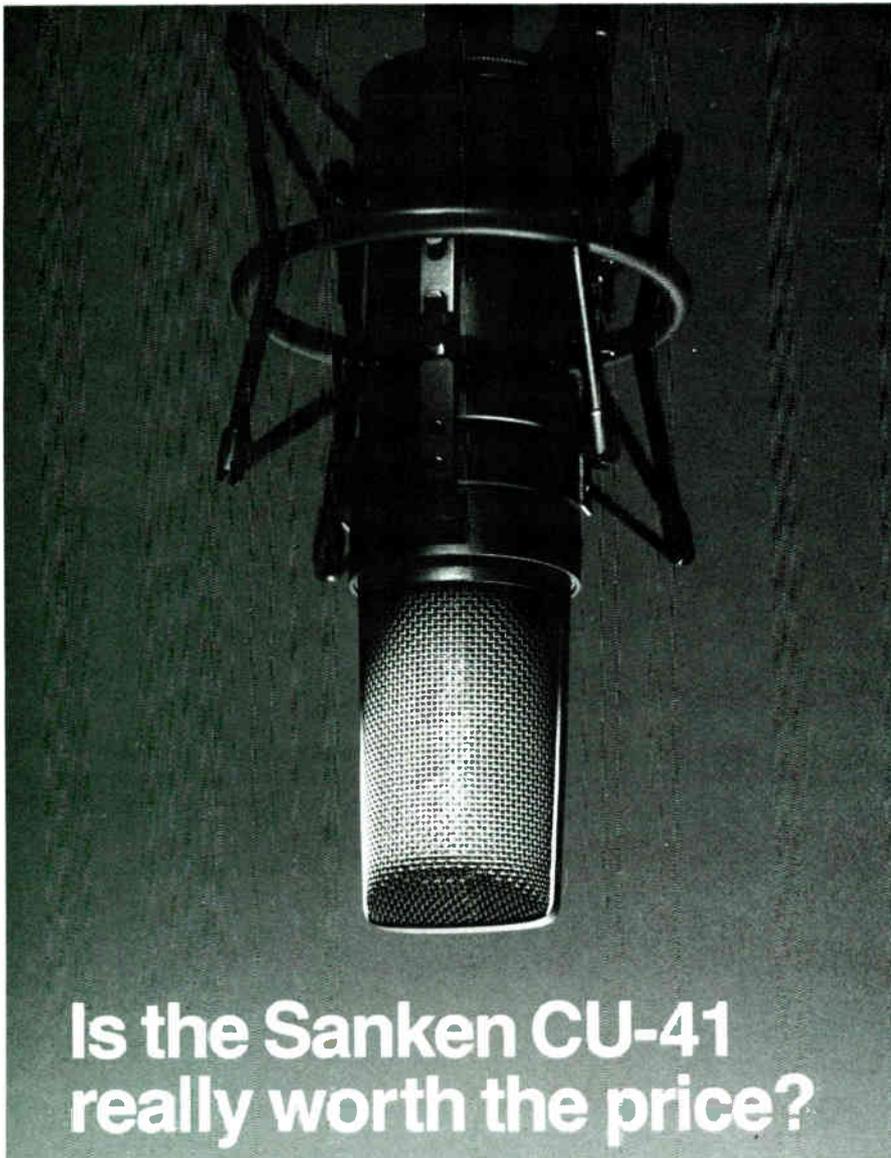
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but there are so many people that I love working with. I just did some experimenting with drum sounds at Jackson Browne's—I'm looking forward to doing some things with him and Russ Kunkel.

Bonzai: Have you ever witnessed a miracle?

Keltner: Yes, I've witnessed a lot. When I was ten years old, my mom was about to die. She had about a 20% chance of living through a spinal operation. I was at an Oral Roberts tent meeting that night with my family and we prayed along for those in the hospitals. The next morning she was fine. She came through in better shape than anyone had ever come through an operation like that. That was the first miracle I ever witnessed, and all of them have been performed by God.

Bonzai: Was there a period when people thought you were a crackpot?

Keltner: I don't know if crackpot is the word. My reputation for years was "that crazy Jim," "that crazy drummer," "that guy is so crazy." I wasn't too terribly responsible, but I wasn't the kind of guy you wouldn't invite over to your house.

Bonzai: What does your mother think of you?

Keltner: I am probably the single most important source of pride in her life. Of course, she's also very proud of my beautiful sis, Judy.

Bonzai: What would you have become if you hadn't become a drummer?

Keltner: I originally wanted to be a baseball player. I was a pretty good pitcher back home in Tulsa. But the music came so fast. I don't know if I could do anything else well, but I could be happy doing a lot of things—gardening, for instance.

Bonzai: There is a tremendous pressure on drummers, perhaps more than on other musicians. It's where everybody looks first if something is going wrong.

Keltner: Well, in a great many records that are made by hit artists, the drums play a hugely important part in whether they become a hit or not—the way it feels when it comes over that little speaker. Generally, the first thing that a person feels is that heartbeat—the way the drummer has constructed the heartbeat of that song.

Bonzai: Do you have any plans for a solo album?

Keltner: Yes, I definitely want to do that. I'm getting closer to it all the time. I've got a fair collection of interesting ideas on tape. In many ways I feel that I am a better player than ever before. I listen more than I used to. Listening is the biggest part of playing music, when you're working with others—even if you're playing by yourself. ■

PREVIEW



Yamaha CX5M Music Computer

Introduced at last month's NAMM show in Anaheim, CA, the Yamaha CX5M Music Computer combines a Z-80 based microprocessor with an FM voiced sound synthesis system. In addition to accepting all MSX tape and cartridge programs from Microsoft, Inc., the unit uses custom Yamaha software for a variety of musical applications. Built-in software accesses the synthesizer's 46 preprogrammed voices, which can be recorded and played back via internal memory (up to 2,000 notes). An auto-accompaniment section provides bass, rhythm and chord patterns. With the addition of an optional keyboard (either the full size YK-10 at \$200, or the mini YK-01 at \$100), the computer becomes a live performance synthesizer, equipped with MIDI and a programmable keyboard split.

Software programs available at present include: FM Music Composer, which visually displays the notes played on the keyboard and allows storage and printing of compositions via a standard dot matrix or ink jet printer; FM Voicing Program, for the manipulation of and creation of new sounds using the computer's FM synthesis system; DX7 Voicing Program displays the parameters of voices in a visual graph form when a Yamaha DX7 and video monitor are connected to the computer; and the FM Music Macro program facilitates the creation of FM synthesis sounds for games and video applications without the use of a music keyboard.

The CX5M Music Computer is priced at \$469, and the software described above are \$50 each. Optional accessories include plug-in data memory cartridges and an RF modulator to display the computer's output on a standard television set.

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Meyer Sound Ten Band Parametric

The CP-10 complementary phase parametric equalizer from Meyer Sound of Berkeley, CA, is a stereo unit with five bands of equalization per channel and additional high- and low-

cut shelving filters. Front panel controls include ± 15 dB cut/boost, center frequency selection (10:1 range), .1 to 1.1 octave bandwidth adjustment, individual bypass switches for each band, and the high/low cut filters.

The unit's front panel can be removed without disturbing equalization settings and each of the ten EQ circuits is mounted on its own removeable gold-socketed PC board, facilitating service. Rear panel connectors are XLR-type. The CP-10 is priced at \$2,500.

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Soundcraft Series 600 Consoles

Designed for cost-effective 8 and 16 track recording applications, the Soundcraft Series 600 are full-feature, eight buss consoles available in 16, 24, and 32 input versions. Standard features include: 8 group outputs paralleled for 16 track operation; a 16 track monitor section; direct channel outputs; LED bar graph metering; switchable -10 or $+4$ dB outputs; and six auxiliary sends on each input module which can be switched to affect the signal at either pre/post fader or pre/post EQ points.

The Soundcraft Series 600 consoles are now available and are priced as follows: 16 channel, \$6,950; 24 channel, \$8,750; and 32 channel, \$10,950. Stereo input modules for audio/video postproduction are optional.

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Tannoy NFM8 Minimonitor

The Tannoy NFM8 is a ducted port system employing an all new 8" dual concentric driver. The unit consists of a polyolefin copolymer woofer and a one-inch HF dome coupled to a compression horn lens. The concentrically mounted diaphragms are precisely time aligned, insuring total phase coherency at all angles.

The cabinet of the NFM8 is constructed from MDF (the same high impact material used in Tannoy's Wildcat series of live performance systems). The enclosures are finished in suede black epoxy, and two sides of each cabinet employ acoustic isolation pads, providing a non slip finish to all console surfaces while in the horizontal or vertical position. The pads isolate the monitor from the console surfaces while in the horizontal or vertical position to eliminate buzzing or rattling. The NFM8s are priced at \$748/pair.

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CFD 1-100 Horn from DDS

Design Direct Sound of Seattle, WA, has expanded its line of Continuous Frequency Distribution™ horns with the CFD 1-100. This compact horn exhibits smooth off-axis frequency response, with the virtual absence of on-axis beaming. Its short throat-to-flange dimension simplifies time alignment with low frequency direct radiators, making the CFD 1-100 a good choice for near-field applications and foreground installations.

CFD designs incorporate several flare rates into one horn, resulting in even frequency response across the sound field. Suggested list price for the DDS CFD 1-100 is \$71.

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Dynafex Chip from SSMT

Solid State Micro Technology of Santa Clara, CA, has introduced a new IC which contains the proprietary Dynafex single-ended noise reduction circuitry. The SSM 2200 chip is a single channel of Dynafex noise reduction with few external components required. SSMT plans to introduce other variations which include a battery powered device and stereo versions.

The SSM 2200/Dynafex device is available to qualified OEMs on a non-exclusive, royalty-free basis. The standard 16 pin DIP device (other packaging options available) is priced at \$6.00 (1000 piece orders) and is in stock for immediate delivery.

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Compact Seck Audio Mixers

The Seck 62 and Seck 122 offer six or twelve input channels with two outputs in a unique, ultra-portable package which is totally metal-encased and is only two inches deep. The rugged design is enhanced by a double-sided fiberglass printed circuit board and the elimination of all wired connections: all input and output connectors are mounted directly to the circuit board, resulting in high reliability.

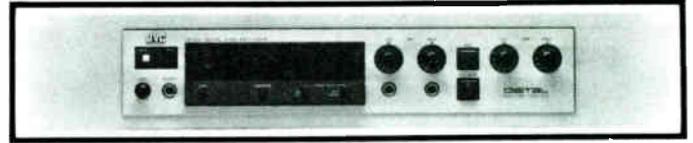
Each one of the mixers' input channels feature: switchable line/mike inputs, three band equalization, two pre-fade sends, two post-fader sends, a pre-EQ patch point for the insertion of outboard devices on any individual input, a solo switch, and 100mm long throw faders are used throughout. The output section includes stereo LED meters, with a resettable peak-hold



switch; +4dBm balanced XLR outputs; and a 1700mw mono headphone amp with level control. The six input version can be rack mounted with optional adapters.

Seck products are distributed in the U.S. by Connectronics (Stamford, CT); by Bandive LTD. in the U.K.; and by Decidis in France.

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JVC VP-101 Digital Audio Processor

The VP-101 digital audio processor from JVC is designed for digital recording and playback with virtually any NTSC videocassette recorder with external sync capability, making it ideal for audio mastering in video post-production.

The processor employs EIAJ pulse code modulation (PCM) and 14-bit linear quantization. Sampling frequency measures 44.1kHz (+0.01, -0.11%) and frequency response is virtually flat from 5Hz to 20kHz. Wow and flutter is negligible. VP-101 design features include a sync output for videocassette synchronization; two-color fluorescent peak meters (bar type); mode indicators for "at-a-glance" system status; and line/microphone mixing. The processor also has copy, emphasis and record selectors as well as a headphone jack with level control.

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Studer A820 Analog Recorder

The Studer A820 is a microprocessor-controlled two track mastering machine designed for demanding applications. The recorder features: 14-inch reel capacity (a 16-inch version is also available); simplified changing from 1/4" to 1/2" formats; LED real time (positive or negative) tape counter; five address memory locator; three DC motor drive; programmable operating and special function controls; varispeed with readout in percent, halftones, or inches per second; and balanced inputs/outputs available in either transformer or active electronic versions.

Options for the A810 include a time code channel, mono/stereo switch, signal generator, and an RS 232/422 interface (SMPTE/EBU format). The A820's transport is similar to that of the Studer D820 digital recorder, thus reducing the spare parts inventory required for studios equipped with both machines.

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FIELD-TEST



FOSTEX B-16M 16 TRACK TAPE RECORDER

by Joe Van Witsen

The multitrack tape recorder has been the standard medium of recording music for the past 20 years. Recently, the multitrack recorder has worked its way into areas of the industry other than music mastering studios. The reasons for this are increasing demands for quality stereo sound in film, radio and video production, and a greater interest by musicians to create compositions on tape in a non-pressured environment. But perhaps the clearest explanation for the sudden proliferation of multitracks is the advancements made in recording technology: tape formulation, noise reduction, and tape head design have reached a price/performance ratio whereby it has become possible to record a high quality audio signal on an increasingly smaller tape format.

This Field Test examines the Fostex B-16M, Fostex's latest entry into the professional recorder marketplace. The B-16M is the three head version of the B-16 series. Fostex broke new ground with the B-16 by placing 16 tracks of audio onto half-inch tape. The advantages of half-inch over one or two-

inch tape are: lower tape cost and lighter weight which can be moved by smaller motors, (allowing the entire recorder to be scaled down in size and weight.) Weighing in at 67 pounds, with physical dimensions of 17.5"x17"x9.25", the B-16 can easily be lifted and carried by one person. Prior to the B-16, moving a 16 track recorder required three or four persons and a van. Its small size allows it to be mounted into a standard 19-inch rack, making it ideal for small broadcast and video vehicles and off-line video edit rooms which are notoriously cramped. A two-inch tape recorder generally takes up about 12 cubic feet, about the size of a washing machine, and spaces must be designed to accommodate them. With rack mounting, the B-16 can even be flush with the wall. For table top use, a one by two foot space is all that is required. An optional roll-around console allows the B-16 to operate at any angle.

The operational features of the B-16 are simple and straightforward. Located just below the tape path area is the track selection panel with 16 push-track track selectors and illuminated track number indicators. This panel also con-

tains the power switch, input monitor select, coarse and fine pitch adjustment and LED tape timer. A meter panel is located below track selection. This contains 16 twelve-segment LED level indicators with program level in green and peak level in red. To my knowledge, this is the first analog multitrack recorder to use an LED metering system. The advantages are: no calibration, no bulb replacement and visibility of all 16 tracks in one glance. Another advantage is the ability to see the levels on the machine from a greater distance than with needle meters.

The meter panel can be removed and placed on top of the machine or it can be placed in a remote location, say near a mixing console, or video monitor. Just to the right of the meter panel is the main control panel with push buttons for record, play, fast forward, rewind, return to zero, and stop. The stop button, when pressed twice, releases the reel brakes for manual editing.

Two remote control units are available. The model 8090 is a simple remote unit containing track select, transport controls, input monitor select,

LED tape timer, cue button and a repeat button which will repeatedly play the tape between the zero point and the cue point. The model AL-16 is a full function remote control that features transport controls, track select, LED tape timer, LED target time indicator, numeric keypad with nine position autolocator with trim function, find, cue and mode select keys as well as three user-definable soft-keys allowing a sequence of routines to be stored. The AL-16 is remarkably compact considering all its functions.

The rear of the deck contains the 16 inputs and outputs (RCA jacks), a remote punch-in, punch-out jack for a foot switch, remote control plug, meter remote jack, noise reduction internal/external select, and a port for a SMPTE synchronizer. The B-16 has been specifically designed for synchronizing work, the transport is prewired and the ballistics optimized for fast chase and lock with no overshoot.

The B-16M is a multitrack recording system consisting of the basic B-16D converted to a three head configuration, allowing simultaneous playback monitoring during recording and monitor signal mixing features. The system is composed of the B-16 multitrack recorder with three head assembly, the

model 8091 audio tape monitor unit containing playback amplifiers for 16 channels and a mixing amplifier housed in a 7 inch high rack mount chassis, and the 8090 remote control unit. This controls the monitor unit and can control signal mixing of any combination of the 16 tracks and also controls the input/sync select and playback monitor signals from the recorder. A headphone amplifier is also contained for monitoring convenience. 15 ips is the standard tape speed with a 30 ips option for critical mastering purposes.

The B-16M is rugged and very well built. Two deeply recessed hand slots on both sides allow for easy handling. The tape threading path is unconvoluted, allowing rapid spooling and near instantaneous speed stability. Two large idler wheels are at the left and right of the head block assembly. The supply idler serves to guide the tape through an optical tape presence sensor while the takeup idler generates the tach pulses which drive the LED tape timer. The head block contains erase, record and play heads, tape roller guides, manual tape lifter, and manual head gate.

The transport performance is impressive. Shuttling is smooth and quiet with even tape packing. When command-

ed from the AL-16 to find a cue, the machine races to its destination and coasts to park exactly at the desired location.

The sound quality of the B-16M is excellent. Transients are clean, with no harmonic distortion evident. The signal to noise ratio is also excellent with Dolby C delivering a S/N of 80dB weighted, 60dB unweighted referenced to 3% THD at 1kHz. This allowed track bouncing without noticeable quality loss. The sound quality I got from the B-16M is superior to some two inch machines I have used.

Final Evaluation: The B-16M is an extremely cost efficient production tool. Its size, weight and operational ease make it available to locations and projects where a remote recording truck would have been required before. The sound quality is comparable to larger format systems at a fraction of their price. The only possible disadvantage of the B-16 is that as of this writing it is the only 16 track half-inch recorder on the market, so tape recordings made on the B-16 must be copied to another format in order to work in another studio. But with so many features going for it, half-inch may soon become the new defacto 16 track analog standard. The Fostex engineers know what they are doing. ■

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—FROM PAGE 24, LOUDSPEAKERS about things, which is one reason why the crazy guy went with Time Align®. Can you imagine: you run a company that's making electronic stuff and you decide to make a loudspeaker and go up against Altec and JBL? That took guts to do; to actually back the project and go ahead and do it." Even Putnam was amazed at the reception which the UREI 813 Time Align® monitors received; they quickly attained the status of industry standard.

Calibration Standard Instruments was formed in the mid-'70s after word had spread about the small, incredibly accurate reference monitors that Long had built for his own work in recording and design, which were made to be used within three feet of the listener. In making field recordings to gather known source material for loudspeaker evaluations, Long often found himself attempting to monitor on location in difficult acoustic environments. Consumer bookshelf speakers were the right size, but they were too colored and their lack of time coherency became exaggerated when they were listened to very close up. He designed the MDM4 (for Mix Down Monitor 4-channel; many of the early pairs were used in four channel work) to deal with the problem. Then he went further, and made a qualified description of the proper environment for the use of this tool, calling it Near Field Monitoring™, and specifying allowable limits for distances between speakers and to the listener, time offset in the speaker, and effects of the first order reflection (typically off the mixing console). After giving his Time Align paper he began incorporating that into his Near Field Monitors™, resulting in the MDM-TA2 and MDM-TA3.

In essence, Long is dealing with the same problems of room acoustics that Meyer is, but he has the simpler option of eliminating room anomalies by moving the speakers closer to the listener until the contribution of the reverberant field is negligible in comparison to the direct field from the speakers.

If it appears that designing monitors is closer to Ed Long's heart than designing consumer loudspeakers, perhaps it is because he finds it disheartening to have to design a consumer loudspeaker with the thought in mind that it will have to cover up for a lot of awful source material. Badly recorded or mastered material vexes him, as does industry conservatism and obsolete concepts that won't die, like mono compatibility. "Even at this stage of the game, there's still a lot of material that would make people say, 'Wow, that's awful!' if they could only hear how bad it sounds over really good loudspeakers," Long complains. And on mono: "We should get away from mono compatibility now;

it's the thing that's ruined stereo since the beginning, and it's had everybody going crazy. Here we are, how many years after stereo came in?, and we're still mono compatible."

The frustrations of poor quality source material have not made Ed Long want to quit designing consumer loudspeakers, though they've made him want to improve the source material. This was part of the motivation which led him to collaborate with Ron Wickersham in the creation of the Pressure Recording Process (PRP)®. PRP® came about because most microphones exhibit large differences between their on-axis response (to the subject of the recording) and their random incidence response (to the reverberant field), typically yielding unnatural recordings. In the PRP, the transducer is placed in the pressure zone at a boundary (such as a floor or wall or table), where there is no distinction between direct and random incidence sound. Long and Wickersham have a very fruitful and unlikely collaboration. They met at an AES convention when Long struck up a conversation after being amused by Wickersham playing with his child. On occasions, the two have been spotted walking through the crowd at a Grateful Dead concert, Long in a two-piece suit and well-trimmed hair, and Wickersham in a tie-dyed t-shirt and large, bushy beard. But the two have a special chemistry that has led them to conceive and execute a number of crazy ideas, the latest being the ELF™ technology.

The ELF™ technology is a system employing unique acoustical design along with matched electronics which allows very significant amounts of very low bass to be reproduced by an extremely small package. A 15-inch driver in a one cubic foot enclosure develops a whopping 94 dB SPL at 1 meter from 16 to 150 Hz. (no, that's not a typo). Even more amazing is that a 6-inch driver in a half-cubic foot enclosure can reproduce the same frequency range at 82 dB SPL. By the time you read this, ELF speaker systems will probably be available from CSI, making an ideal match to the small TA2.

Long and Meyer, and to some extent Klipsch and Bose, all have companies of a size that allow them to make products following a very specific concept, or reflecting a particular point of view. The situation changes, however, at a company as large and varied as JBL, Inc. There is a good case to be made for the statement that there are more JBL speakers in use in the sound industry than any other brand.

"We service a lot of different markets," notes Mark Gander, "broadcast, recording, musical instrument, pro sound-type reinforcement, tour sound—large scale reinforcement, sound con-

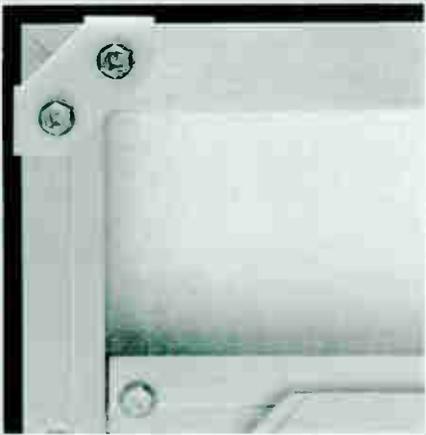
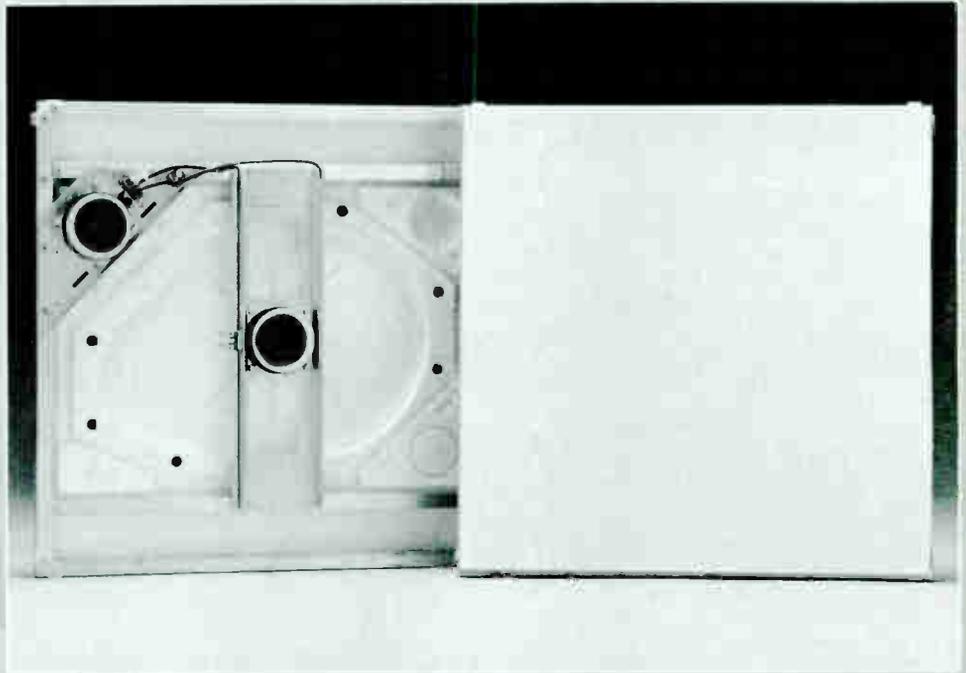
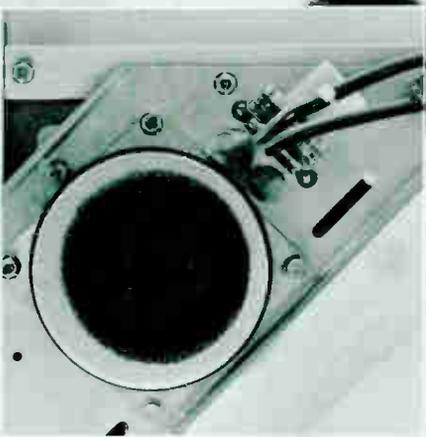
tracting—engineered sound for stadiums and speech-type systems, industrial/commercial type sound—for paging systems, life safety warning systems, hi-fi, audio-visual. These are just some of the markets, I probably left some out.

"We try to address each market individually," Gander explains, "In a lot of cases we'll design one loudspeaker system that can do a lot of jobs, but in other cases we'll design a system that is for a certain application; if there is a big enough and specific enough need, that's the only way to do it—with a specialized product." An excellent example of this is the differentiation which JBL makes between speakers which are sound producers (such as musical instrument applications) and those which are reproducers (such as for studio monitoring). A reproducer of sound needs to be completely faithful to the source material, and hence must exhibit flat, linear frequency response with a smooth rolloff. However, to get that screaming guitar sound a speaker is needed which is not entirely faithful, but has certain desirable distortion characteristics.

JBL's awareness of these differences has led to a lot of research into transducer design. Research on low frequency transducers has identified the contributions of various aspects of the speaker's construction to the resulting sound. For example, the relationship between the height of the voice coil and the height of the magnetic gap in which it is suspended can indicate the speaker's peak displacement, and hence its third harmonic distortion characteristic. The shape and material used for the surround (the part of the speaker which connects the cone to the rim), the shape of the cone, the materials used for the former (which connects the voice coil to the cone), even the kind of wire used for the voice coil—all these things play a part in determining what the final result will sound like. Having identified these factors (and a number of others), JBL engineers are able to use this knowledge to tailor a speaker to a specific set of characteristics. One of the results of this research is JBL's Symmetrical Field Geometry (SFG) magnetic structure. The voice coil hangs in the gap between the pole piece, inside the coil, and the top plate which is mounted on top of the magnet outside the coil. Unfortunately, in many speakers the top plate is cantilevered over the magnet, while the pole piece is not cantilevered at all, but a solid slug of metal, which yields a non-symmetrical magnetic field for the voice coil to move in—in other words, a distortion mechanism. To counter this effect, JBL engineers designed an undercut pole piece with a cantilever equal to that of the top plate, making the magnetic field symmetrical, which is the essence of SFG.

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technology is not the only thing that has been happening at JBL. Materials and construction research on compression drivers has brought advancements such as the use of materials such as titanium for diaphragms, and a three-dimensional diamond pattern suspension to hold them. But the greatest step in high frequency reproduction that has come from JBL has not been in this area. "Horns," muses Gander, "are one example of loudspeaker technology where there has recently been advances. Not really in terms of the transducer itself; again, there are newer things in materials and power handling, but there are still a diaphragm and a magnet coupled to the throat of a horn. The one thing we have seen recently is the constant directivity devices. All the horns previously were pretty much based on an exponential formula because the exponential mathe-

matical law, when applied to a three-dimensional flaring bell from throat to mouth of a horn, provides the best acoustic load to efficiently transform the sound over the widest frequency range. There were a few other flares used, but basically they were slight modifications of the exponential, and people said, 'Well, I've got to use the exponential formula or something very close to it.'

"Multicell horns were basically a bunch of exponential trumpets formed into a spherical segment based on the angle you wanted to cover. Those were the first horns to try to get some sort of consistency in coverage. The next step was radial or sectoral [horns]. They all used roughly the exponential flare, but those methods only approximated, over a limited bandwidth range, the coverage angles you wanted. Recent work by guys like Don Keele [who created the in-

dustry's first constant directivity horn, the Electro-Voice "white" horns] and Cliff Henriksen [who, along with Mark Ureda, created the Altec Manta Ray horns which followed Keele's] specifically, but loudspeaker designers in general have shown that by not restricting yourself purely to the exponential formula, and by making a compromise between the loading of the diaphragm and the coverage angle that you want to maintain, you can come up with 'trick' methods of putting horn sidewalls together to accurately cover segments of a space that you want and hold them over the full bandwidth of the horn, within restrictions of the mouth size. Most of these modern designs have three flare rates: one from the driver out to some sort of horizontal gap or aperture, then another one to cover the dimension perpendicular to that gap, and then a final one out to the bell to control diffraction effects out where the wavelength approaches the dimensions of the bell.

"JBL wanted to do a next generation [following the E-V and Altec devices] constant directivity-type of horn. The BiRadials [also designed by Don Keele, by then at JBL] have a more complex flare that smoothly combines the secondary flare from the gap out toward the mouth and the final mouth flare together into one complex equation." A number of different BiRadial horns were created for different applications: the full-blown version for sound reinforcement [the 2360, 2365, and 2366 which vary in coverage angles] called Constant Coverage, several flat front versions designed for portability and arrays [which sacrificed a little of the vertical coverage for a more compact size], a large Constant Coverage version for studio monitors [known as the "cheeks"], and a smaller version of the studio horn [known as the "baby cheeks"] which is built onto a very high frequency transducer. The BiRadials have had very good acceptance in the market, making a noticeable impression in theater sound. JBL components, including the large BiRadial horn, were selected by Lucas-Film for use in their THX theater sound system. But the BiRadial horn alone is not JBL's only contribution to theater sound, a field which has progressed much slower until recently than other areas of the audio industry.

"Our theater systems are a good example of us introducing a radically new concept," Gander points out. "Everybody thought for years that the only way to do a motion picture system was with those midrange horn-type loudspeakers, like the Altec A7 [Voice of the Theatre]. When you look back on the history of that stuff, the only reason they used that was that they only had ten or fifteen watt amplifiers. They didn't have power, so they had to squeeze the abso-

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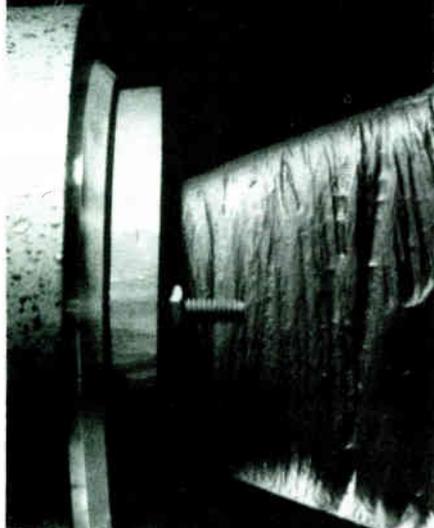


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Computers are also aiding in the study of psychoacoustics, a field which is just now really budding, and, in the opinion of most loudspeaker designers, is the most important element of their craft. But other than the obvious fact of

computers being heavily involved, what might the future bring to sound reproduction (or production, with the massive use of electronic musical instruments)? Virtually no one was foolish enough to speculate on this. Except Gander:

"There may come at some time—maybe a year, or ten years, or maybe a long time—a way to magically excite the air molecules and do something incredibly radical. Maybe laser beams coming together in the room, not within some confined chamber, but just around you. I'm really in deep space, now; I'm talking extremely pie-in-the-sky." Maybe, but then again, who was foolish enough five or ten years ago to predict that you would be able to wear a TV on your wrist and carry a disk player in your coat pocket which would sound better than anything previously existing? Think about it. Then rethink it. ■

—FROM PAGE 13, COMPRESSION

created primitive PA systems. Once the latter occurred, the horn would never be the same again—man had stumbled upon the age of sound reinforcement.

In typical American fashion, the actual development of "loudspeaking" horns didn't really take off until the late 1920s when entrepreneurs discovered that there was a huge market for the devices ripe for the picking in the motion picture business. Although not the earliest, Al Jolson popularized the age of the talkies with *The Jazz Singer*, and movie houses everywhere were anxiously waiting to draw the huge crowds that wanted to see the silver screen speak. Before they could reap the new profits though, it was necessary to upgrade their theatres for sound . . .

To fill the needs of the movie houses, giant corporations like Western Electric/Bell Labs and RCA were more than happy to oblige, and in the process, they continued the horn's march along the evolutionary scale. Since a huge profit was clearly at stake, the corporate giants bought the brightest engineering minds available, and let them loose on the project. What followed could certainly be described as one of audio's "golden ages."

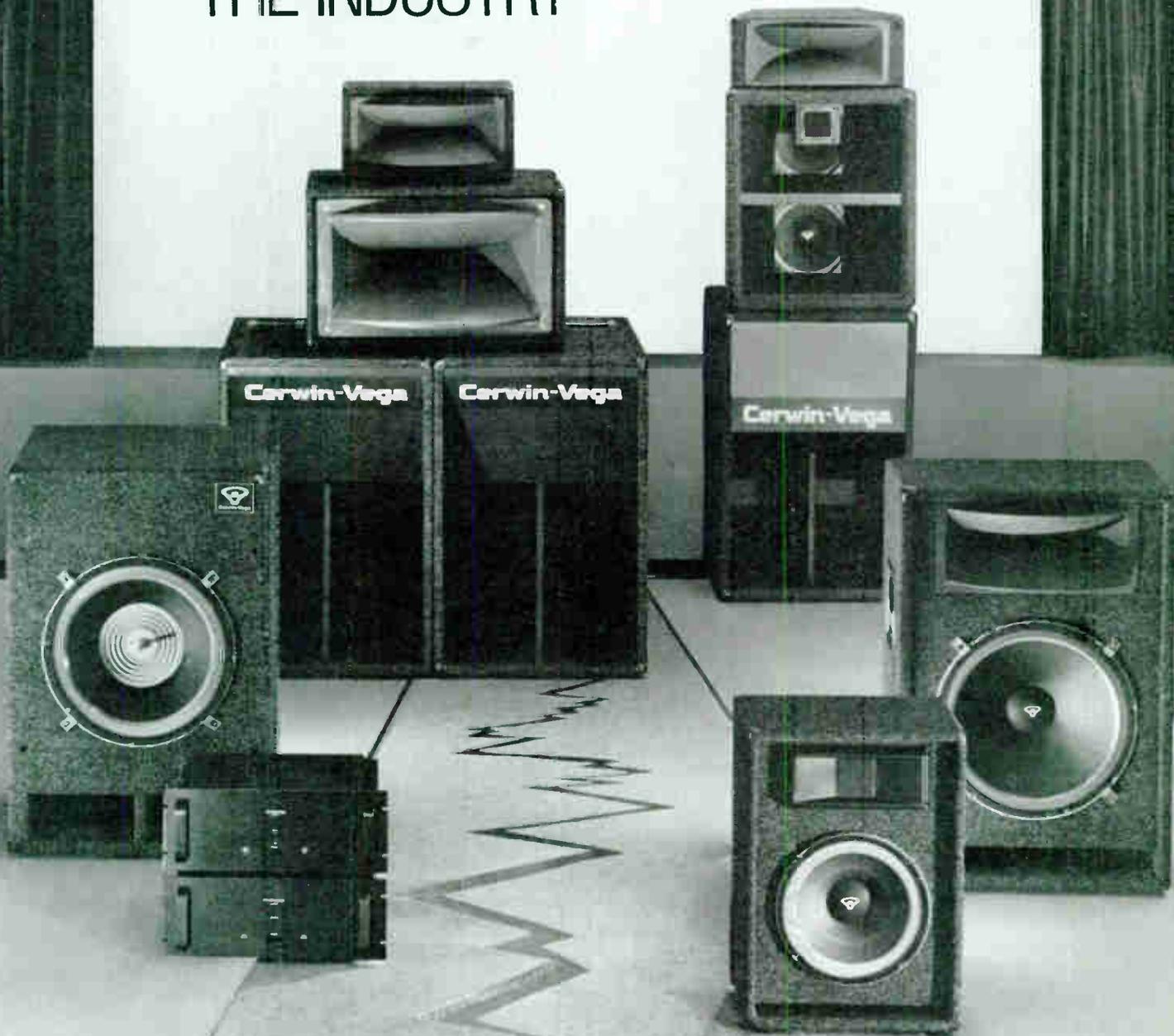
E.C. Wenthe and A.L. Thuras at Bell Labs produced one of the first high fidelity loudspeakers for the movie industry, which was a compression driver attached to a pattern control horn. They called it the 555-W, and it had a continuous 30-watt input capacity, which far ex-

ceeded any earlier design.

According to Bob Clement, an engineer with West Chester University and noted collector of old movie house equipment, the Western Electric 555 and its offspring the 594 were extremely efficient. "They had to be," he said, "because the tube amplifiers at the time were only capable of producing around 5 watts, and they had to fill huge auditoriums. With these early compression drivers, there was no back wave lost at all, everything was forced forward into a full-length exponential-type horn that coiled around and opened up into a six-foot wide mouth. At the time, large theaters would utilize two of these systems behind the screens, while smaller places could get away with using only one."

In 1935, as the general public sat in their mohair theater seats watching and listening to the early talkies, people like Harry Olson, James B. Lansing, Robert Stephens, and Harry Kimball worked in conjunction with John K. Hilliard of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Studios to take Wenthe and Thuras' work a step further by designing a theater loudspeaker system that could be mass-produced and adapted to virtually any movie house. Their design included a selection of multicellular horns, and low-frequency loudspeaker cones coupled to oversized horns usable to 50 Hz. To extend the baffle area of the low-frequency transducers, the enclosures were additionally equipped with Batman-like "wings" that simulated half-space conditions. Also of interest in this system was the Lansing 284E

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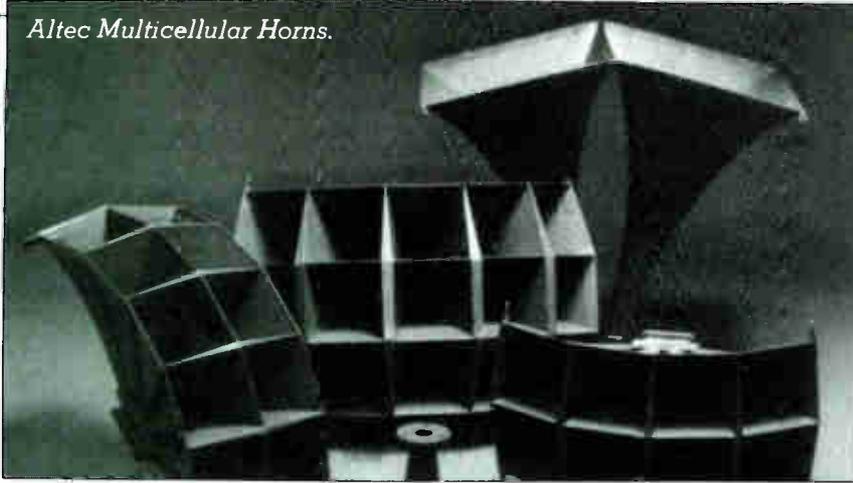
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high-frequency driver, which is essentially the same as many drivers still being manufactured today.

The following year, Hilliard and crew won a technical award from the motion picture industry for their work. Subsequently, some of them went on to help develop the fledgling West Coast loudspeaker industry into what it is today. As the decade wore down and World War II began to loom upon the horizon, the market for theater sound showed signs of becoming saturated. The big money that was once there was gone, because just about every theater in the country was outfitted with one of the popular systems available. Along with the money, the best minds also left the research area of new loudspeaker technology for more exciting arenas like aerospace and computers. What followed could be described as the Dark Ages for fresh ideas in compression driver/horn theory.

In hindsight then, the cinema was responsible for bringing about modern-day sound technology and the compression driver/horn loudspeaker system. Once cinematic sound needs were fulfilled though, the times didn't warrant a need for change until audio entered another age—that of touring sound.

During the late '60s, an engineer named Bruce Howze and a few others began to realize that the loudspeaker systems in use by touring groups definitely needed a shot in the arm when it came to mid-range performance. At the time, Howze was working for a Philadelphia-based contractor called Festival Group, which among other distinctions, was supplying tour sound for Janis Joplin and the Jefferson Airplane. As was common practice then, most road shows relied upon the two-way systems that had been developed for cinema sound. In addition to the aforementioned defi-

ciency in mid-range performance necessary for live sound reinforcement, these loudspeakers were never intended for portable use because of their massive, awkward nature. Howze contemplated the problem, and began taking serious action upon starting his own sound manufacturing concern, Community Light & Sound.

Once established in their Philadelphia-based plant, Community began work on a variety of solutions to the problems posed by poor tour sound. "Our first horn/driver combinations were mid-range units that employed 10" and 12" cone-type loudspeakers as their driver mechanisms," Howze recalls. "These horns represented a definite improvement over existing equipment, and development continued for a number of years, yielding several successful products. The further we pushed this concept, the more we became aware of the basic limitations of cone loudspeakers for this application. Their power response band-width was too limited, and their cone and motor mechanisms too weak to provide



(Left) An internal glimpse of Community Light and Sound's M4, which reveals the unit's 6½ inch diaphragm. The diaphragm is made from aluminum skins bonded to a rigid foam core.

wide-range high SPL performance. To get beyond these limitations, it was obvious that a new type of driver was needed. What we envisioned was a very large compression driver with a tremendous power and pumping capacity."

While Howze and the rest of the engineering staff at Community continued their research, the folks at Electro-Voice and Altec began introducing their lines of constant-directivity horns, and JBL unveiled its line of Bi-Radial horns. Unlike the first radial horns, which could only hold accurate coverage in a horizontal fashion, the BiRadial line was able to obtain accurate coverage in both the horizontal and vertical dimensions. Driven by bolt-on compression drivers with one and two-inch throats, two types were produced: the constant-coverage BiRadials, and the flat-front BiRadials. The former (models 2360, 2365, and 2366) are large-mouthed devices (30" square) with coverage angles of 90 x 40, 60 x 40, and 40 x 20 respectively. The sheer size of these horns makes them extremely popular with contractors when it comes to filling sound needs for huge stadiums because of their ability to hold even coverage angles at 500 Hz and below. Conversely, the flat-front Bi-Radials (models 2380, 2385, and 2386) were primarily designed to be stuffed into enclosures or used in small clusters. Outwardly, these horns are built without flanges on the front edge, and are ideal under circumstances where vertical coverage isn't as critical. With the recent rise in the number of portable systems and multi-way touring systems, they have become increasingly visible on the audio scene.



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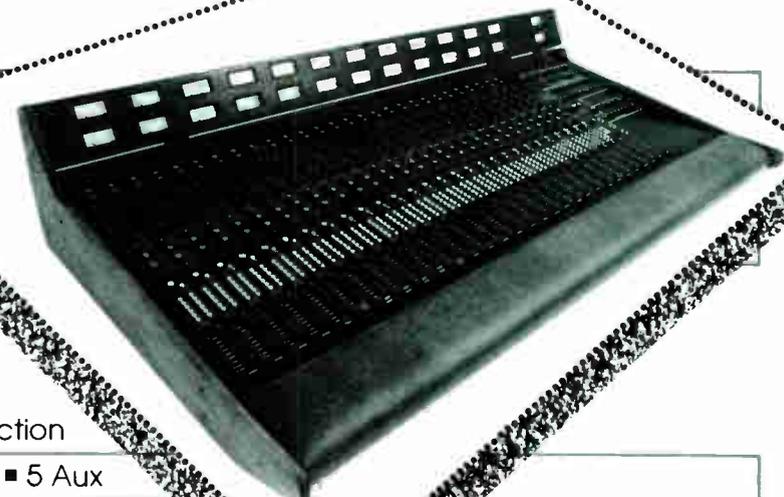


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As the breakthroughs mentioned above caught the public's eye, the lights were still burning well into the night back at the homefront at Community Light and Sound. Finally, after well over a decade of research, Howze, John Wiggins, and Cliff Henriksen hit upon the ingredients that later blossomed into the M4 Series of compression loudspeakers and pattern control horns.

"The M4 Series represents an entirely new concept," Howze said while smoking an omnipresent Clint Eastwood-style cigar jammed into his favorite holder. "Compared to previous designs, the M4 has a lot more power, and is physically bigger. By itself it provides perfect voice rein-

forcement, and in a three-way system, it's the only way to do mid-range. It has versatility too: on one hand, it's a driver that can give you levels of pressure that provide intelligible sound at Grand Prix races, and on the other, it's a loudspeaker that's equally at home in opera houses, where there's a need for extremely low distortion and a high grade of sound.

Measuring 13 inches in diameter, the M4 weighs in at a hefty 38 lbs. (the unit's ceramic magnet alone weighs 11 lbs.) and is encapsulated in molded fiberglass before being attached to one of Community's pattern control horns. To meet their engineering goal of having 100 acoustic watts of power output while maintaining

low distortion levels, Howze and associates chose a 4.5-inch voice coil and a four-inch diameter throat. A six and a half-inch diaphragm coupled to this massive motor structure makes high sound pressure levels a reality. The latter is a composite of aluminum skins bonded to a rigid foam core, which provides the strength and stiffness required for such performance levels.

"The throat size of the M4 was one of the most important details we had to take into consideration," Howze said. "Other drivers of similar configuration have relied upon much smaller throats, so even though they are able to operate in the same range as the M4, the distortion levels are constantly higher."

To further increase efficiency and improve linearity, the M4 was constructed using a symmetrical gap geometry. A flux stabilizing ring was also added to keep the magnetic field from varying under high power inputs. For a phase plug, it was decided that one with no passband resonances would be the most appropriate. That way, the plug would remain completely "neutral", and the M4's sound would be unaffected by resonances or phase shifts.

From an historical perspective, the M4 is a vast departure from the early compression drivers/horns that were cranked out by Bell Labs, RCA, and General Electric. A few years after its introduction at the 1981 AES Show, other manufacturers began dabbling with ideas of how to draw upon compression driver theory to solve mid-range sound problems. Developed by Renkus-Heinz, the SSD-5600 is billed as a low/mid-range compression driver, and physically looks quite similar to the M4. It utilizes a large, unsupported aluminum diaphragm and a fairly powerful magnetic circuit routed through a low-compression, low flare-rate phase plug.

Emilar also joined the mid-range compression driver race recently with the development of its model EC-600. Like the M4 and the SSD-5600, it too resembles a giant land mine and has a larger-than-normal diaphragm and throat area (6" and 3.2" respectively).

It goes without saying that the advancements made in horn technology during the past ten years are sophisticated by modern standards. Yet what is modern now will eventually represent just another link in the evolution of sound projected from horns. Given the industry penchant these days for digitalizing things and sticking computers into them, the future will undoubtedly hold many more surprises for our ears. ■

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Last month we were speaking with former L.A. session great, now transplanted Tennessean, Billy Strange. We continue...

Mix: What prompted your move from Los Angeles to Tennessee?

Billy: I think the music scene got kind of tiring for me in Los Angeles, from the standpoint that motion pictures were not a big thrill at that time, television was not that healthy, it was no

longer fun for me. I was making good money doing commercials and all, but the record industry seemed to be moving elsewhere, and that's still the backbone for me. My most fun times have always been in the studio with musicians, whether I'm producing or arranging, or both. Actually I moved to Nashville to open up a publishing firm for Frank and Nancy Sinatra, and I spent the first three years here behind a desk...not in the studio.

Mix: Well what's going on here in Nashville, musically, in your estimation?

Billy: I think the majority of better music in the record industry is coming from Nashville now. I think the caliber of musicians has a lot to do with it. And, as you're aware, there are a lot of New York and L.A. musicians who have moved to Nashville. Singularly, each one of us has our own reasons why we get away from something we're doing and move somewhere else. But I think the basis of the major moves that have been made by the musicians and the entertainers to Nashville is because the music is a bit freer. You're not locked into a situation of having to back up a four-piece group that gets out on stage and plays heavy metal. Horn players have a terrible time working in the L.A. and New York areas, unless they are doing motion picture calls or jingles. But here in Nashville it's beginning to blossom for those players. People are utilizing players such as Dennis Soley and Jim Horn... saxes are a whole new thing in Nashville, not that Boots Randolph hasn't been here for 25 years, but there's a rejuvenation of musical freedom here.

Mix: Has country music blossomed into pop music and made it easier for non-traditional players to live here and to record?

Billy: It's a very comfortable place to live. There's probably less pressure here, both in and out of the studio, on players who are "in show business." I think there's less pressure on them to perform and to be on stage 24 hours a day, not just while they're working. But that pressure got to me in California. Whereas here, everybody is very laid back. It's a very easy place to work. The musicianship in Nashville is as good or better than any place I have ever heard in my life.

Mix: You played me a tape of a string section and it was fantastic.

Billy: The Nashville Symphony is probably one of the most respected symphonies in the country right now.

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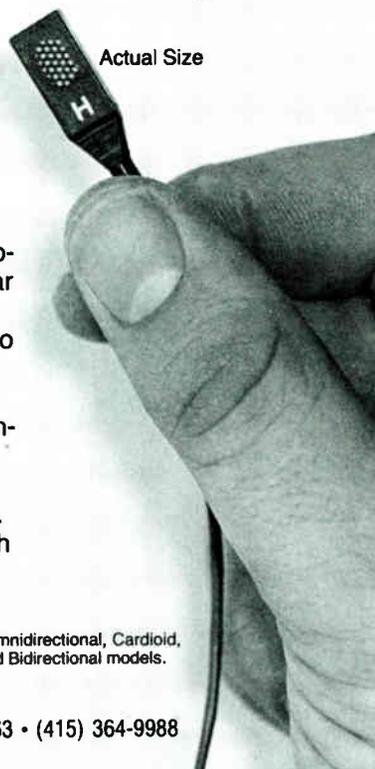
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business shifted to Nashville in your opinion?

Billy: Well, they're calling Nashville the Third Coast. I recall the days when New York was the center, and then it shifted to L.A.

Mix: People like you made Los Angeles the recording capital. I remember that, but you've kind of kept a low profile since those days.

Billy: That's part and parcel of how I feel about the business. As I said earlier, the spotlight never thrilled me. I'd like to leave something that people will say "Yeah, that was very good" and I have some things that I've done that I'm proud of. I think I'm going to, if not this next six month period, this next year or two or three or five years from now, to be able to do something more in Nashville than I ever did in L.A. That does not mean a multitude of things, like scoring fifty films or doing a hundred television shows or cutting five thousand records. I think the quality of work here is more important than the quantity of work. And you know in L.A. how many sessions...we were doing three and four and five and six a day.

Mix: Music by the ton.

Billy: I remember the days when Glen Campbell and I were the only two "funky" guitar players in L.A. when we'd walk into a session where a fifty-piece orchestra was sitting there waiting for us to show up and play a sixteen bar solo, at double scale, and then go next door and do the same thing. We were being payed for ten or twelve sessions a day.

Mix: Well usually it was your solo that happened to be the catchy thing on the record.

Billy: Maybe so, but I'm not sure that we weren't taking advantage of an opportunity. But I find no fault with that.

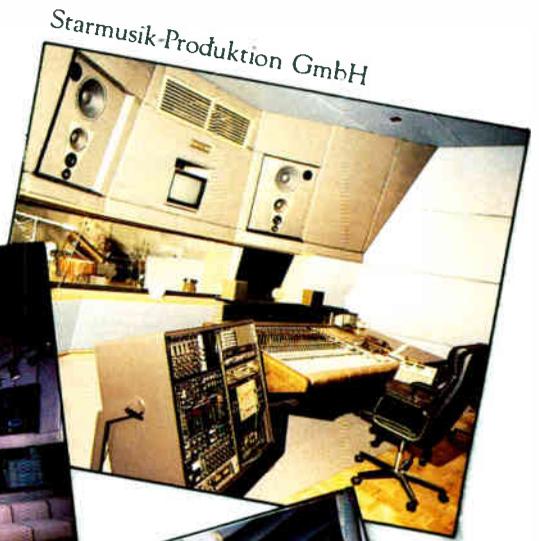
Mix: You seem to have a natural ability around the TV cameras. It seems that being a director would be a natural thing for you.

Billy: Well that might be a natural progression of events. We all wear many hats throughout our lifetime... You've been a great jazz guitarist and are now one of the world's most renowned bass players...you're a publisher. I'm all of those things, also. Maybe not in the same respect, but having been a singer and a guitar player and a producer and an arranger and an actor, I think we progress through our lifetime doing different things that we consider a step up in our careers. ■

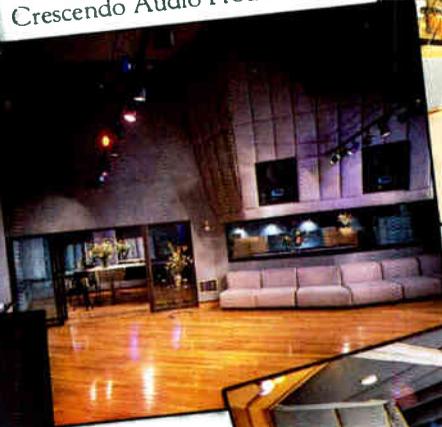


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MARTIN RUSHENT: Synth-Pop Kingpin

by John Diliberto

Producer Martin Rushent calls his studio Genetic Sound. You can picture him sitting among the circuitry and screens of his computerized synthesizers, mutating the very DNA of music like some Doctor Doom of synth-pop.

Rushent was responsible for what he calls a "minor turning point in popular music": the Human League's *Dare* (1981), which included the hit "Don't You Want Me." Except for the voices of Phil Oakey and Company, there wasn't a single conventional instrument to be heard on the record; all the tracks were played by synthesizers and rhythm machines.

But Rushent isn't as evil and calculating as all that. He doesn't even wear a metal mask. In fact, the blond, bearded Briton has a fatherly demeanor and a decidedly upbeat approach to his work. As Human Leaguer Oakey said in a recent *Melody Maker*, "You can't just have a bit of Martin—it's all of him."

More than half of Rushent's 37 years have been spent in recording studios, from psychedelia to art rock to proto-punk. He had his own brief fling as an artist, in the days when everyone in England was in a band "or you didn't get a girl." He didn't have too much success on that side of the glass, but he did get a job as a tape operator at London's Advision Studios. "It's an obsolete job now," Rushent notes. "Computers do that now."

Rushent got into recording just as production techniques were going through the twisted roofs of psychedelia.

Multitrack recording and tape processing were just coming onto the scene, and Rushent learned first-hand as studios went from two track to four, eight, sixteen and beyond. He graduated from tape op to engineer, spun tapes for Julie Driscoll and Brian Auger's phase-shifted *Wheels of Fire*, assisted Eddie Offord in the halcyon days of Yes and ELP, and engineered Gentle Giant's *Three Friends* and Tony Visconti's production of T. Rex's *Electric Warrior*.

"I spent a couple of days working with Keith Emerson on that Moog he'd just gotten," Rushent recalls ruefully. "I remember telling him it was never going to work, because it took an hour to get it into tune and if the temperature changed you were back to where you started. If you listen to early ELP and other synthesizer records, you can hear the problems they had. It was all bleeps and bleeps and little solos—get it done quickly, because it'd go out of tune after four bars." Little did Rushent know that years later he'd be a champion of synthesized pop music.

Rushent got a taste for producing while he was engineering Gentle Giant's *Octopus*. Because the band was producing, Rushent wound up assuming many of the producer's responsibilities. He also learned a few techniques from Giant, who were no slouches when it came to pushing the parameters of the studio: "They were one of the first to pare things down and record instruments individually," Rushent recalls.

Rushent soon quit Advision and began looking for someone to hire him as a producer. After six months he got tired of waiting and built his own eight track studio and recorded a now forgotten band named Stretch. Their first single, "Why Did You Do It?" was enough of a hit in the UK to get him a job with United Artists in 1977, just as the punk boom was getting under way.

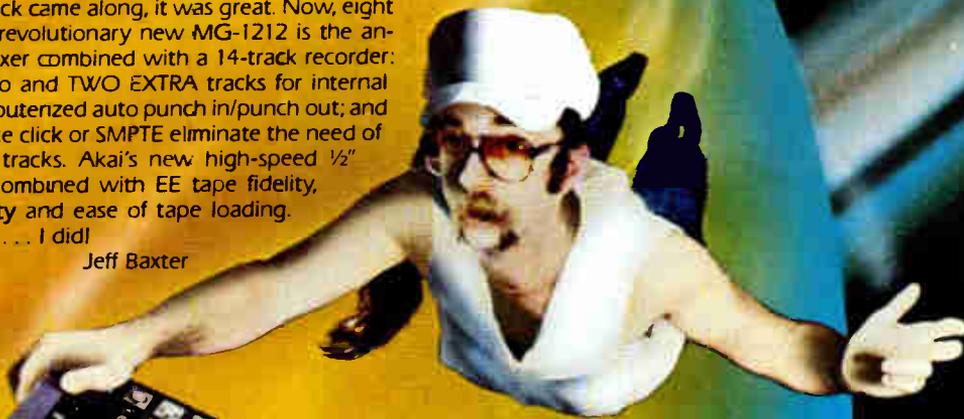
It's a long way from ELP and Gentle Giant to Generation X, The Buzzcocks and Dr. Feelgood, but all those groups' debut recordings were produced by this ex-hippie, the same Rushent who sat up nights nursing Keith Emerson's Moog. But it wasn't long before he would get bored with punk and make the moves that would establish him as a savant of synth-pop. "I joined the backlash," he laughs. "I was tired of wearing a leather jacket all the time and wanted to start wearing nice clothes."

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By coincidence, Rushent's Genetic offices were right above The Blitz, a club where wearing nice clothes was what life was all about. Rushent recorded the first disk by Blitz house band Visage, replete with electronic drums and synthesizers, and went on to produce demos for Ultravox's *Vienna* as well as for Joy Division and Spandau Ballet.

At the same time, Rushent took the first steps into computer synthesis with the Roland MC-8 Microcomposer. Rushent looks back on it with a bit of self-deprecating humor. "I saw an advert that said 'for those who can't play, this is the answer.' That's for me! That's how I made the transformation from a sort of mad

punk producer into Dr. Click."

The MC-8 was cumbersome, but it had a vast potential that Rushent tapped when Pete Shelley left the Buzzcocks and needed a band for his new demos. Enter Martin Rushent and the MC-8, the band. They recorded a clever electro-pop ditty called "Homosapien," according to Rushent, "the only real things on it are guitar and synth." It was supposed to be a demo, but the record company loved it and the entire *Homosapien* LP was recorded the same way.

For Rushent, computer synthesis was a dream that unlocked his imagination and blurred the lines between artist and producer. "I fell in love with that way of doing things," he exudes. "Be-

cause as a producer it put you right in there with the artist." It was also more dependable than some of the musicians Rushent would work with. "Because of commercial pressures," he admits, "I use it a lot to make up for the shortcomings of the artists that I'm working with."

Take The Human League for instance. In their early days, The Human League were a competent pop distillation of Kraftwerk-style electronics with two LPs under their belts. But the musicians split to go into Heaven 17, leaving the singer and slide projectionist without a band. A re-formed Human League sought out Rushent and placed themselves at his mercy. Rushent explains: "They came to me and said, 'Look! None of us can play anything, but we heard this Pete Shelley album and we know you can't play, either. It's only you and Peter, and he just sings and plays guitar—so it must be something else. We heard it was a machine. That's what we want, because the only guy who can play in the band is a guitarist and we don't want any guitars.'"

The resulting collaboration between man and machine, *Dare*, marks the beginning of the dominant trend in the '80s, computerized dance music—or what had been known in the '70s as euro-disco. But wasn't that what punk had been reacting against? "I never felt that I was selling out the punk ethic or becoming a *poseur*," Rushent says. "It was just a natural transition."

In fact, Rushent's adherence to the tyranny of the beat became complete with the LinnDrum and computer synthesizers like the Fairlight CMI and the Synclavier II. Perfecting the groove is Rushent's mission. "You get tracks with that tremendous drive and perfection of beat, and it's got to come from somewhere," he explains. "Why do they have that? Because they're sitting right on the money, they're on time, they're not late."

It's a good thing Rushent doesn't produce any jazz artists. The shifting pulse of poly-rhythmic syncopation would drive him mad. "I've got to purge my system of this desire for absolute perfection," Rushent confesses. "We had a case recently where I said the snare drums were late and everyone said no. I was the only one who could hear that it was late. Well we measured it and it was 15 milliseconds late. Now 15 milliseconds isn't anything, and most people can't hear it, but it bothered the hell out of me."

However, Rushent does cut loose when he does his 12" remixes. Rushent's 12" remixes of his artists' songs have gotten more bizarre and complex due to his increased use of the digital sampling feature of the Synclavier II. The artists leave Rushent alone in his sound laboratory for these odd concoctions. "When the record's finished and

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BASIC Program for the Design of T, H, PI, and O Pads

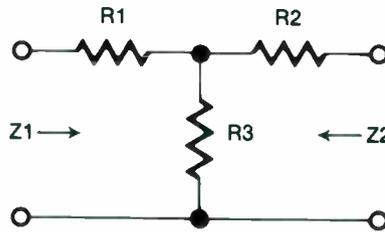
by Ronald G. Ajemian

Pads are used for a variety of signal attenuation tasks. Most commonly, these passive signal reduction devices are placed between a microphone and a console preamplifier. While the basic design equations remain the same, the calculations change according to the impedances, and amount of attenuation involved. For example, since the output impedance of professional low impedance microphones range from 50 to 300 ohms, proper matching dictates designing a new pad for every application—a tedious and time-consuming task. Since many recording and broadcast studios now house microcomputers, a program to solve the necessary design equations could shift the burden from man to machine. Furthermore, since BASIC is widely used on many personal computers, it is the logical language for this program.

The design equations for symmetrical and non-symmetrical T, H, PI, and O pads are shown in figure one. Symmetrical means that the source and load impedances are equal whereas non-symmetrical refers to unequal values. The BASIC program computes the appropriate pad component values, as well as the minimum loss of the pad. Exact numerical values are output for the resistor values; a useful modification to the program would round-off these values to the nearest standard value.

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The Design of Resistive Symmetrical and Non-Symmetrical T & H Pads



$$K_{min} = \left(\sqrt{Z1/Z2} + \sqrt{Z1/Z2-1} \right) \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} Z1 \geq Z2 \\ S \geq 1 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$S = \sqrt{Z1/Z2}$$

$$A_{min} = 20 \log K_{min}$$

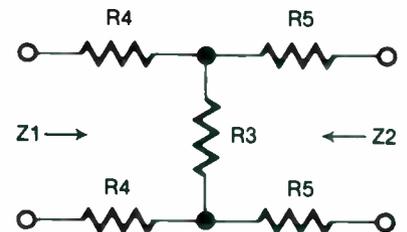
$$K = \text{antilog}(A/20) \text{ or } K = (10)^{A/20}$$

$$R1 = (Z1(K^2 + 1) - 2KS) / K^2 - 1$$

$$R2 = (Z2(K^2 + 1) - 2KS) / K^2 - 1$$

$$R3 = 2KS / K^2 - 1$$

Diagram 1: T-PAD with associated design equations.

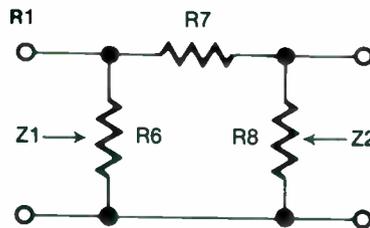


$$R3 = 2KS / K^2 - 1$$

$$R4 = R1/2$$

$$R5 = R2/2$$

Diagram 2: H-PAD design equations associated with Diagram 1.



$$K_{min} = \left(\sqrt{Z1/Z2} + \sqrt{Z1/Z2-1} \right) \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} Z1 \geq Z2 \\ S \geq 1; \\ S1 \geq 1 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$S = \sqrt{Z1/Z2}; \quad S1 = \sqrt{Z1/Z2}$$

$$A_{min} = 20 \log K_{min}$$

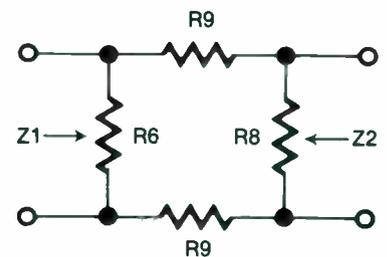
$$K = \text{antilog}(A/20) \text{ or } K = (10)^{A/20}$$

$$R6 = Z1(K^2 - 1) / (K^2 - 2KS1 + 1)$$

$$R7 = S(K^2 - 1) / (2K)$$

$$R8 = Z2(K^2 - 1) / (K^2 - 2KS1 + 1)$$

Diagram 3: Pi-PAD with associated design equations



$$R6 = Z1(K^2 - 1) / (K^2 - 2KS1 + 1)$$

$$R8 = Z2(K^2 - 1) / (K^2 - 2KS1 + 1)$$

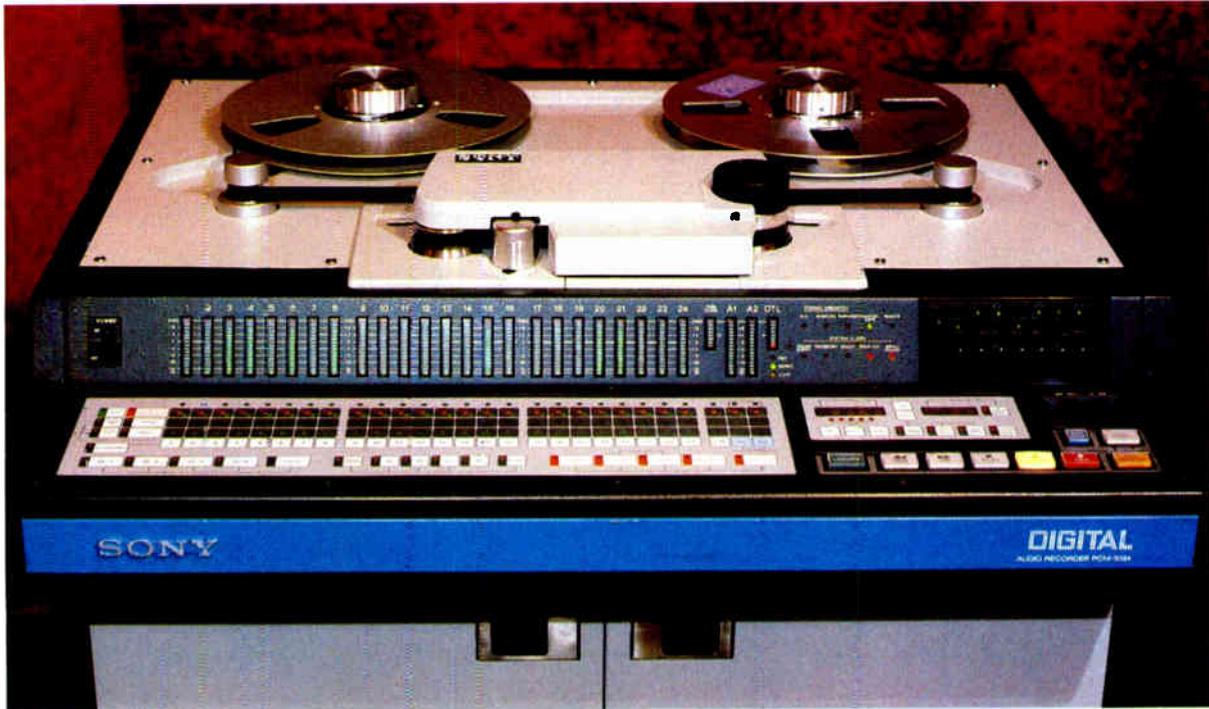
$$R9 = S(K^2 - 1) / (4K)$$

Diagram 4: O-PAD design equations associated with Diagram 3.

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The BASIC program is shown in figure 2. In the program, lines 30, 50, and 110 prompt the operator to enter the appropriate values for Z1 and Z2 (source and load impedance), and attenuation (in dB) desired. Lines 70, 90, and 130 through 240 perform the necessary computation, and lines 260 through 440 output the values of the resistors. The program line 510 returns execution to line 10 and the program begins again. The program ends at line 520; the program can be saved by typing SAVE after line 520. The program could be optimized in several ways by efficient and inquisitive BASIC programmers. As always, it may be necessary to alter the programming of the design equations depending on the rendition of BASIC being used.

EXAMPLE:

Design non-symmetrical T, H, PI, and O pads with source impedance of 600 ohms and load impedance of 150 ohms. The desired attenuation is 20 dB.

NOTE: If your BASIC doesn't have SQR for square root, substitute $N \blacktriangle .5$. (eg. SQR (25) substitute $25 \blacktriangle .5$). Mathematically the square root of a number can be done exponentially:

$$\sqrt{N} = (N)^{1/2} = (N)^{\blacktriangle .5}$$

FIGURE ONE

T.H.PI AND O PAD DESIGN
 Z1 IS GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO Z2
 ENTER SOURCE IMPEDANCE Z1 (OHMS)= ?600
 ENTER LOAD IMPEDANCE Z2 (OHMS)= ?150
 K= 3.73205
 MINIMUM PAD LOSS A= 11.439 dB
 ENTER ATTENUATION DESIRED IN (dB)= ?20

T PAD DESIGN
 R1= 551.515 OHMS
 R2= 92.4242 OHMS
 R3= 60.6061 OHMS

H PAD DESIGN
 R3= 60.6061 OHMS
 R4= 275.758 OHMS
 R5= 46.2121 OHMS

PI PAD DESIGN
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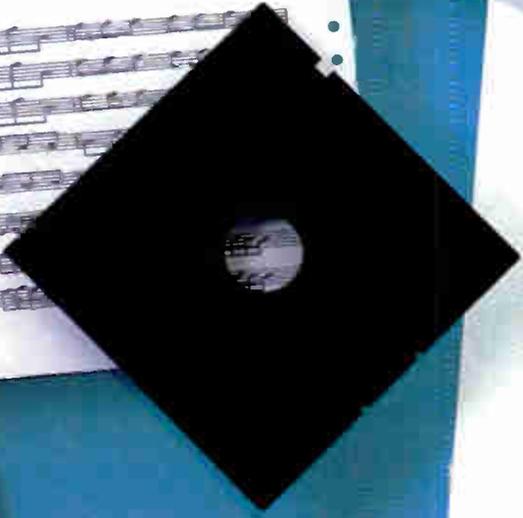
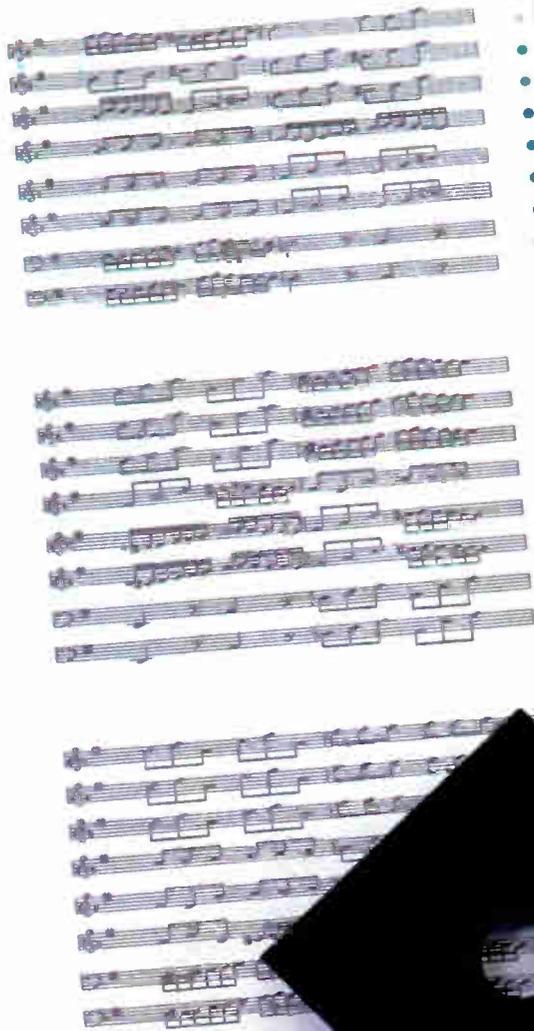
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FIGURE TWO

BASIC PROGRAM FOR THE DESIGN OF SYMMETRICAL AND NON-SYMMETRICAL T, H, PI AND O PADS.

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00010 PRINT "T, H, PI AND O PAD DESIGN"
00020 PRINT "Z1 IS GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO Z2"
00030 PRINT "ENTER SOURCE IMPEDANCE Z1 (OHMS)=";
00040 INPUT Z1
00050 PRINT "ENTER LOAD IMPEDANCE Z2 (OHMS)=";
00060 INPUT Z2
00070 K=(SQR(Z1/Z2)+SQR(Z1/Z2-1))
00080 PRINT "K=";K
00090 A=20*CLG(K)
00100 PRINT "MINIMUM PAD LOSS A=";"A";"DB"
00110 PRINT "ENTER ATTENUATION DESIRED IN (DB)=";
00120 INPUT A
00130 K=10^(A/20)
00140 S=SQR(Z1*Z2)
00150 S1=SQR(Z1/Z2)
00160 R1=(Z1*(K^2+1)-2*K*S)/(K^2-1)
00170 R2=(Z2*(K^2+1)-2*K*S)/(K^2-1)
00180 R3=(2*K*S)/(K^2-1)
00190 R4=R1/2
00200 R5=R2/2
00210 R6=Z1*(K^2-1)/(K^2-(2*K*S1)+1)
00220 R7=S*(K^2-1)/(2*K)
00230 R8=Z2*(K^2-1)/(K^2-(2*K/S1)+1)
00240 R9=S*(K^2-1)/(4*K)
00250 PRINT
00260 PRINT "T PAD DESIGN"
00270 PRINT "R1=";R1;"OHMS"
00280 PRINT "R2=";R2;"OHMS"
00290 PRINT "R3=";R3;"OHMS"
00300 PRINT
00310 PRINT "H PAD DESIGN"
00320 PRINT "R3=";R3;"OHMS"
00330 PRINT "R4=";R4;"OHMS"
00340 PRINT "R5=";R5;"OHMS"
00350 PRINT
00360 PRINT "PI PAD DESIGN"
00370 PRINT "R6=";R6;"OHMS"
00380 PRINT "R7=";R7;"OHMS"
00390 PRINT "R8=";R8;"OHMS"
00400 PRINT
00410 PRINT "O PAD DESIGN"
00420 PRINT "R6=";R6;"OHMS"
00430 PRINT "R8=";R8;"OHMS"
00440 PRINT "R9=";R9;"OHMS"
00450 PRINT
00460 PRINT "TYPE 1 TO CONTINUE, 0 TO STOP"
00470 INPUT Q
00480 IF Q=1 THEN 500
00490 STOP
00500 PRINT
00510 GOTO 30
00520 END
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VIDEO NEWS

by Mia Amato

BROADCAST: MUSIC— TV PROLIFERATES

The number of TV broadcasters programming multi-hour or 24-hour music video continues to grow. Unlike recent attempts at satellite-fed national networks—*VH-1*, *Discovery Network*, *Odyssey*—these efforts are being broadcast locally by low-power stations or small UHF stations, but reach out regionally through carriage on cable TV systems. Here's an update by region:

EASTERN U.S.

WXLI-TV 61

P.O. Box TV 61
Greensboro, NC 27420
Music Director: *Jeff Johnson* (919/855-5610). Primarily pop and Top 40.

TV-69

1001 Waldo Road
Gainesville, FL 32601
Program Director: *Thomas Zingale* (904/376-6969). Experimental; everything from *Molly Hatchet* to *Streisand*.

Homer & Associates' new clip for Steve Miller features "Bongo," a computer simulated 3-D animated character drawn on a Bosch FGS-4000 graphics unit. The Post Group supplied a tape transfer of 35mm live action and on-line editing to insert the animated character.



CENTRAL U.S.

"Music Video 60"

WPWR-TV
4255 Westbrook Drive
Aurora, IL 60507
Coordinator: *Judi Goode* (312/851-7515) Progressive.

"Teletunes"

KBDI-TV 12
P.O. Box 427
Broomfield, CO 30020
Producer: *Wick Frazier* (303/469-5234). A small public TV station; very progressive.

TV-61

7509 North 35th Avenue
Phoenix, AZ 85021
Producer: *Hope Smith* (602/841-2822). Pop, jazz, and some country.

WESTERN U.S.

"Good Night LA"

KABC-TV
5141 Prospect
Hollywood, CA 90027
Producer: *David Kellog* (213/557-

4448). Progressive post-Letterman hours on ABC-owned major station. Emphasis on New Music and animated videos; in a pop mix; kind to LA bands.

KRLR-TV 21

920 South Commerce
Las Vegas, NV 89106
Music Director: *Bob Bell* (702/382-2121). Progressive Pop.

"Magic Number Video"

KSTS-48
2349 Bering Drive
San Jose, CA 95131
Producers: *Isaac* and *Penny Stevenson* (408/946-3400). Weekend play. Mostly black artists' videos in a dance mix.

"Video 22"

KWHY-TV
5545 Sunset
Los Angeles, CA 90028
Producer: *Linda Rosenfield* (213/446-5441). Progressive pop and soul.

These stations will accept a 3/4-inch cassette of a music clip for preview and will be most responsive if it touts a record on a nationally or regionally distributed label. Most have no interest in unsigned local bands unless the video is *exceptional*, but are willing to be approached for promotions of tour dates, club schedules, local album releases, and the like.

PRODUCTIONS: Give My Regards to Hoboken

Dick Lynn writes from Hoboken (where I used to live, next door to Fiore's deli) that his *Blue Light Productions* has completed a "mini-documentary" to promote *Chris Spedding*, a British session guitarist who's worked with such rock luminaries as *Roger Daltrey*, the *Sex Pistols*, and *Bryan Ferry*. Spedding appears as lead guitarist in *Paul McCartney's* film, *Give My Regards to Broadstreet*, and is trying to crack the U.S. market via this video sampler following several solo LPs in England.

If you need a Betacam in Michigan . . . you can now call *Video Remote Services* in Bloomfield Hills . . . In Los Angeles, *Starfax Inc.* recently transferred 130,000 feet of film to video from a seven-camera *Yes* concert in Edmonton for client *Razor Productions*, using their new electronic image and audio transfer system they call "Starsync." *One Pass Video* (San Francisco) has opened a spanking new 60'x70'x20' soundstage, King Street Studios, around the block from its China Basin headquarters. In Orinda, CA, *Positive Video* continues to expand with the installation of a CMX-3400 edit system.

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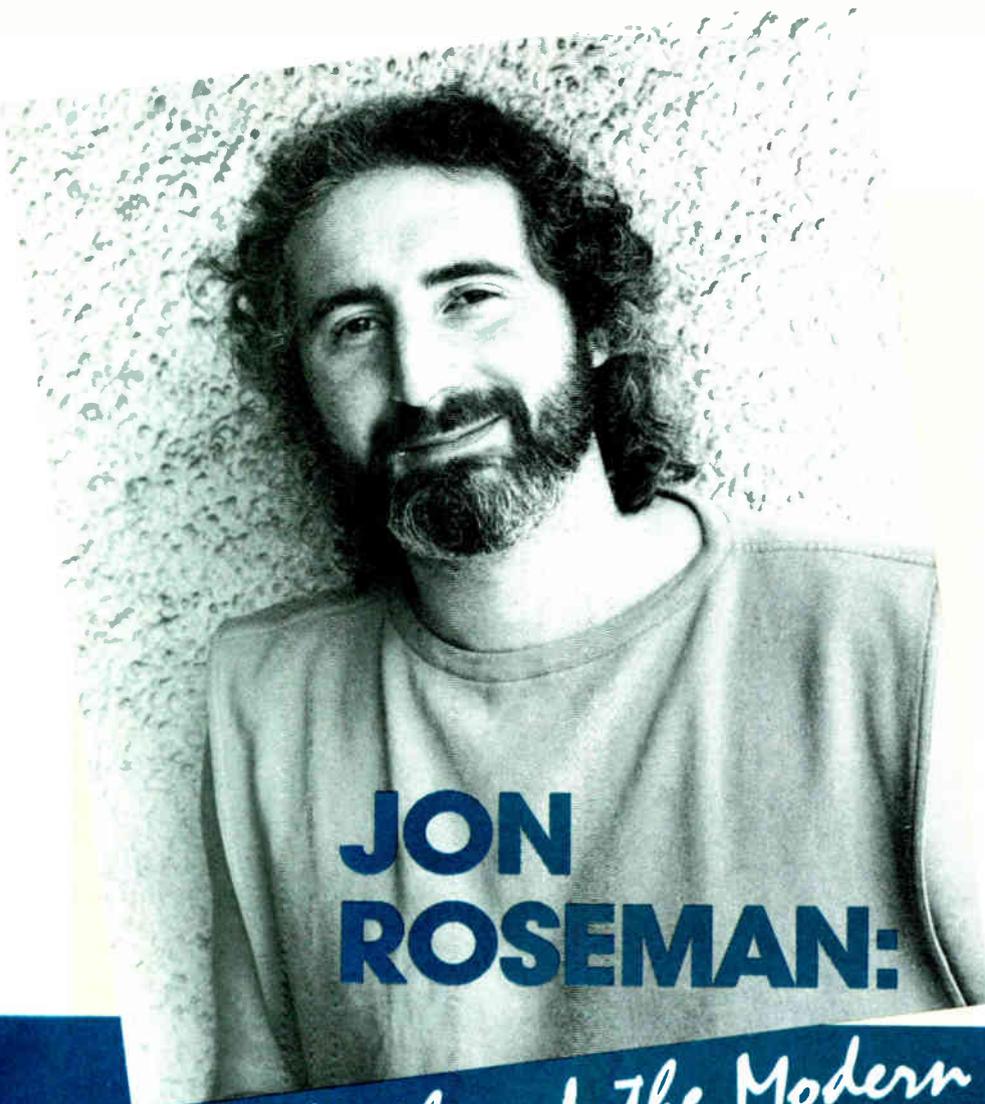
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JON ROSEMAN:

The Godfather of The Modern Music Video

by Lou CasaBlanca

When the definitive history of Video Music is written, Jon Roseman will emerge as one of the key movers and shakers involved in its conception. Without question there were music films and music videos before the formation of Jon Roseman Productions International LTD in 1976. However, it was Roseman, and a small team of die-hard filmmakers, who nearly single-handedly "institutionalized" the production of video clips as a business.

In 1976, in what feels like another lifetime, I went to England to co-produce a couple of albums for Island Records: **Automatic Man** (LPS9397) and **Go** (LPS 9387), with Stomu Yamashta, Steve Winwood and Michael Shrieve. While there I was exposed to music video on English television, particularly a weekly program called the **Top of the Pops**. Even then, in many European record and department stores, video was well integrated into point-of-sale merchandising. Island Records chairman Chris Blackwell, one of those people who is seemingly always ahead of the times, was setting up a demo video facility in Island's headquarters and studios at St. Peter's Square. The very first tape produced was sent to Warners' U.S. and was instrumental in the signing of The Babys to a deal with the label.

London was seething with record and concert activity. The punks on the Kings Road in Chelsea were the original **Rocky Horror Show**. The Roundhouse, the Fillmore of the London Music scene, the rock and reggae clubs, the pubs and discos were all going strong on a non-stop schedule. The music scene in London relied increasingly on music video for exposure. In fact television airplay on programs such as **Ready Steady Go** and **The Old Grey Whistle Test** was, and is today, critical to major success in the U.K. While working at Trident Studios, which was involved in television production and audio manufacturing as well as recording and mastering, I met some of the people working on a video for Queen's "Bohemian Rhapsody," one of the first concept and live concert music videos. Directed by Bruce Gowers and produced by Jon Roseman for Trillion Video, the producers were given very short notice but managed to put together one of the most enduring music videos ever produced.

Prior to setting up Jon Roseman Productions, Roseman was production manager with **London Weekend Television**. The company was formed as an agency representing directors, producers, and TV personalities. At the time, the company was managed by Lexi Godfrey, who was with Queen's management and Trillion Video. In addition



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to director Bruce Gowers, Simon Fields, a commercial producer, Russell Mulcahy, an Australian director/cameraman, TV director David Mallet, and writer Paul Flattery joined the company.

About the same time, Roseman decided to expand into the U.S. market and hired Carol Rosenstein, who had worked as an assistant to Martin Scorsese on **New York, New York** and other features, to coordinate the American operation. After meeting with Roseman in L.A., I joined to help launch the company and develop programming opportunities for the U.S. market.

The Roseman track record and demo reel were so impressive that many record labels who were still on the fence decided to go with the company and take the plunge into the infant medium. It was this initial wave of marketing and production activity that really stimulated the American record labels into regular video music clip production. In rapid-

fire succession videos were done for the Atlanta Rhythm Section, the Bee Gees, George Benson, Blondie, Alice Cooper, Neil Diamond, the Doobie Brothers, Michael Jackson, Al Jarreau, Journey, Chaka Khan & Rufus, Prince, Rod Stewart, Supertramp, Styx, The Tubes and Van Halen, among many others.

After almost two years of production and an almost inhuman burn-out schedule, the company went through a major upheaval resulting in the formation of several production companies which have gone on to become the major producers of video music on both sides of the Atlantic.

After recovering from this tumultuous period, Roseman formed Jon Roseman Television Limited, working with directors Mike Brady, Chris Ashbrook and doing some directing himself. JRTV has produced Eurythmics, Flock of Seagulls, the Thompson Twins, Wham, Musical Youth, ABC, Christine McVie,

and Scandal. Jon Roseman is probably the most outspoken producer/director in the video music business—sometimes to his own detriment—however, his equally outrageous sense of humor and keen ability to create consistently innovative programming is what has established him as a major force in the music video. JRTV will be opening a new office in L.A. and expanding into television specials and feature films production.

In the tradition of the great film producers, Jon Roseman has helped to create a legacy. His ability to find and attract talented filmmakers, and to present them with unique production opportunities has been directly responsible for the development of some of the most important music producers and directors in the industry. Beyond his own business and creative achievements, past, present and future, Roseman's place in the history of music video and pop culture is assured. ■

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		Tel.:	
		Artist Production Contact:	
		Tel.:	
		Album Title:	
Director:		Song Title:	
Cameraman:		Length:	
Writer:			
Art Director:			
No. pre-prod. days		pre-light/rehearsal	
No. build/strike days		Hours:	
No. Studio shoot days		Hours:	
No. Location days		Hours:	
Location sites:			
Delivery Date:			

SUMMARY OF PRODUCTION COSTS		ESTIMATED	ACTUAL		
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2	Shooting crew labor	Total B			
3	Location and travel expenses	Total D			
4	Props, wardrobe, animals	Total E			
5	Studio & Set Construction Costs	Totals F, G, and H			
6	Equipment costs	Total I			
7	Film stock develop and print	No. feet	mm	Total J	
8	Miscellaneous			Total K	
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12	Insurance				
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13	Production Fee				
14	Talent costs and expenses			Totals M and N	
15					
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Recently, a new organization, the Music Video Producers Association was created to help consolidate the music video business. It was formed by producers and directors who feel that the industry needs a forum for the exchange of technical data, the study of industry-wide problems and to foster improved working relationships among record companies, management companies, production companies, artists, labor unions and government. The association has set up a series of guidelines relating to billing, payment cancellations and other nuts and bolts issues.

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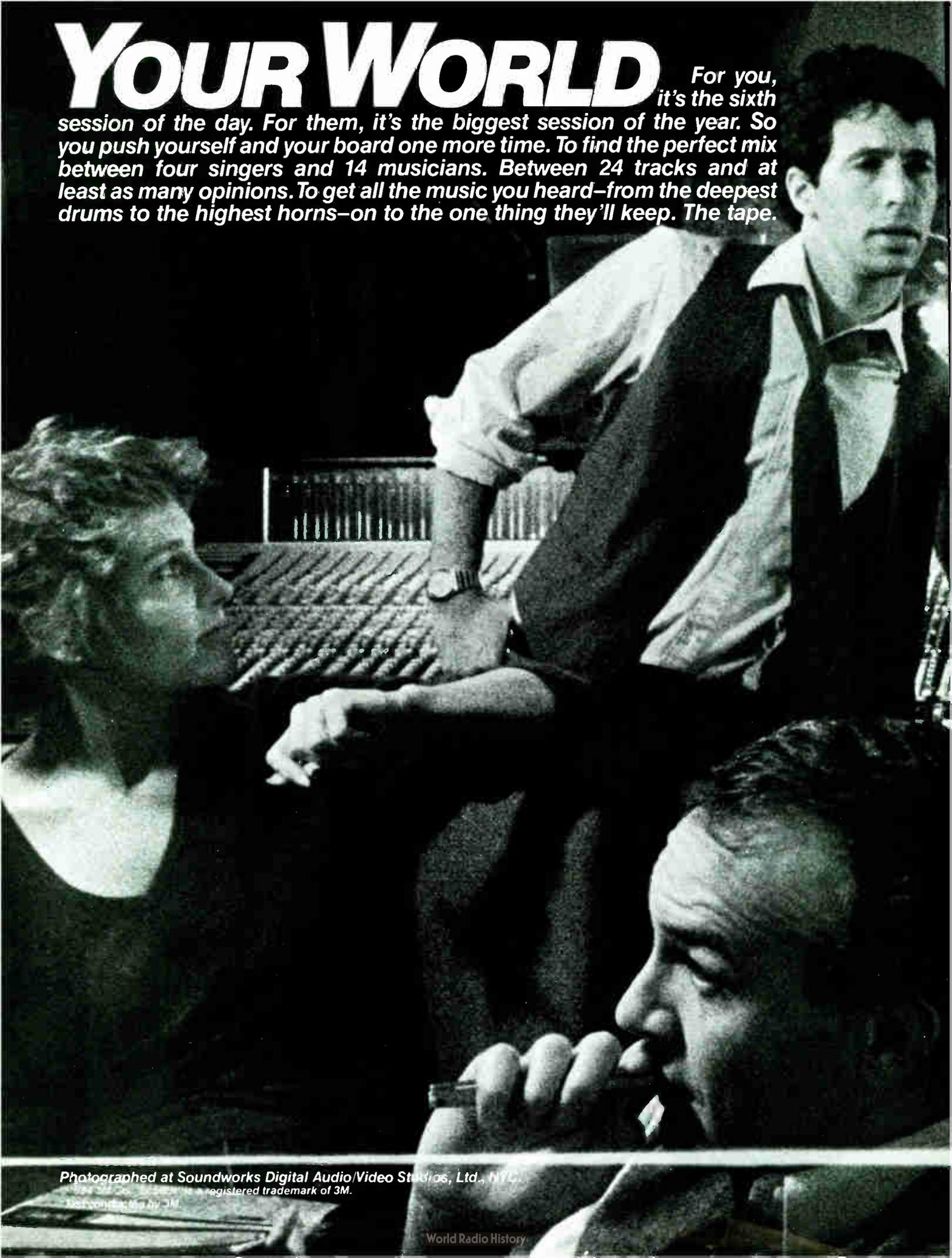
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The 1981 "comeback" of Gary U.S. Bonds—precisely 20 years after he burst onto the music scene with back-to-back number one records ("New Orleans" and "Quarter to Three")—was the nicest surprise of the year. Dedication joined Bonds' gritty vocals with the songwriting and production talents of Bruce Springsteen and his E Street Band cohorts in a marriage made in rock and roll heaven. With the success of "Jole Blon" and "This Little Girl is Mine," EMI America Records surely patted itself on the collective back for such a clever signing.

But the 1982 followup, *On the Line*, faded into premature obscurity after one single, and the EMI America deal lapsed. Why did the label allow their find to recede into obscurity?

"Actually, it was mutual," says Bonds. "There were changes in the company, and the people I liked were gone. And the company started losing acts and making mistakes. Kim Carnes had the biggest record of the year, and they didn't want to deal with promoting her. 'This is stupid,' I said. 'If they don't want to promote a girl who has a double platinum record, what are they going to do with me?'"

"I'm not a demanding person," Bonds laughs, "but there are things you do require as an artist. These big companies, they don't care. They don't even know you. You walk in and they go, 'You come to clean up?' I say, 'Yeah, open up the safe!'"

So Bonds went with Phoenix Records, an aggressive if underdistrib-



1961: (L-R) Bonds' manager Frank Guida, Dick Clark, Gary U.S. Bonds.

uted independent label, with the self-produced album *Standing in the Line of Fire*. "I know it's rough with an indie label," he concedes, "but I had success with an indie—Legrand—way back when. I know the music business a little bit, and I'm not some kid that's going to get shoved in the corner with a lollipop."

"I don't want to hear, 'Every-

thing's okay—we'll buy you a Cadillac next week' any more. I know a lot of guys that the only thing they got was a Cadillac and a new suit."

Bonds, born Gary Anderson 45 years ago, came up in the heyday of fly-by-night record companies which plucked youngsters from obscurity and

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THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



You Can't Keep the dB's Down

With all the gratuitous sex, ultra violence, and rampant misogyny that's depicted daily on rock video shows around the country, one would imagine there's just about anything your average rock video producer can stick on the screen and still pass the requisite board of censors.

Unless the video in question happens to feature suicide as its theme, like the dB's' "Amplifier." Produced by Walter Williams, creator of the hapless clay man Mr. Bill, the original video stuck pretty faithfully (and humorously) to the song lyrics: they tell the story of some poor schmuck named Danny who kills himself because his girlfriend moved out, cleaned out the apartment, and left

only his amplifier for spite. Some highlights included singer/songwriter/rhythm guitarist Peter Holsapple morosely eating a bowlful of brightly-hued and obviously lethal capsules with a spoon, and then hanging himself.

It's all actually very funny, if blackly so, with the implicit message that suicide is *not* painless, and certainly not the answer to life's problems. However, teen suicide being of the epidemic proportions it is, video network honchos (uncoubtedly fearing that "Amplifier's" subtleties would be lost on a volatile and highly suggestible age group) refused to air it. So Mr. Bill got in the act in version two, exhorting viewers to keep those

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Bruce Lundvall Returns to His Roots

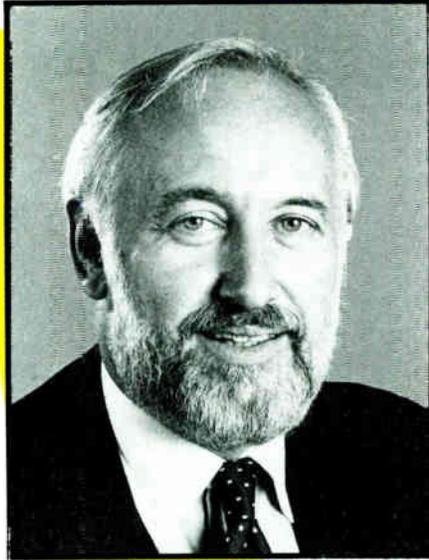
When Bruce Lundvall left Elektra/Musician last year to assume the helm of newly created Manhattan Records and a rejuvenated Blue Note Records, it was in a sense a return to his roots.

"It's kind of magical," says the personable record company executive who had previously put in 21 years at Columbia before his stint with E/M. "I grew up with the label. It was always my favorite. I began buying Blue Note records on 78s—Bud Powell's *Un Poco Loco*, Thelonious Monk's *Mysterioso*. My family lived in New Jersey, and I used to take the bus into Manhattan, go to Colony Records and buy everything I could, then go to the Royal Roost or Birdland, and catch the last bus back home. So I have a real special affection for the label."

During his formative years as an aspiring jazz saxophonist, Lundvall was nurtured on the sounds of Monk, Powell, Milt Jackson, Clifford Brown and Horace Silver, all Blue Note artists during the '40s and '50s. Now with an ambitious reissue policy as well as a number of exciting new recordings to be released in the coming months, Lundvall is carrying on in the great tradition of Blue Note founders Alfred Lion and Frank Wolff, two wily entrepreneurs who had uncanny ears for jazz.

Wolff died in 1971, Lion lives a reclusive existence somewhere in New Mexico. Lundvall never met either one but says he did talk on the phone to Lion recently, informing him of his plans to revitalize Blue Note.

"I sent him a Telex telling him about this gala concert we're going to have at Town Hall in late February to kick off the label. In it I explained how we're planning to have as many of the living players from the old Blue Note days on hand to perform in various all-star aggregations and jam sessions that we'll put together. So the next day the phone rings, I pick it up and it's Alfred Lion, wildly excited. 'I must come to the concert,' he says. 'I want to be there.' Then he says, 'Listen, I have a list of all these people I want to have play at this concert. First, bass players . . . ' and he goes on to list all these names. Then he says, 'Second, tenor players. Is Dexter going to be there?' Then he goes down this whole list of tenor players. So we talk and he calls me back a few minutes later: 'I forgot one thing. Rudy Van Gelder. You must have Rudy there.' Then he calls



Blue Note's Bruce Lundvall.

back a third time: 'Listen, one more person who absolutely must be at this concert. . . Lee Miles, the artist. He had a very unique approach to all our covers. He must be there.' So as you can see, Alfred is very excited about the concert

and about what we're doing with Blue Note."

Alfred Lion left his native Berlin in 1938 to settle in the United States, escaping the right-wing Nazi domination of his homeland. On December 23rd of that year he attended the celebrated Spirituals To Swing concert at Carnegie Hall and was instantly swept up by the power and glory of boogie-woogie piano masters Albert Ammons and Meade Lux Lewis. Two weeks later he brought them into a New York studio to make some private recordings. This was the birth of Blue Note Records.

Those first records carried the same label design that Blue Note would use for the next 30 years. The label's first brochure in May of 1939 carried a statement of purpose that Lion rarely strayed from. It read: "Blue Note Records are designed simply to serve the uncompromising expressions of hot jazz or swing. Any particular style of playing which represents an authentic way of musical feeling is genuine expression. By virtue of its significance in place, time and circumstance, it possesses its own tradition, artistic standards and audience that

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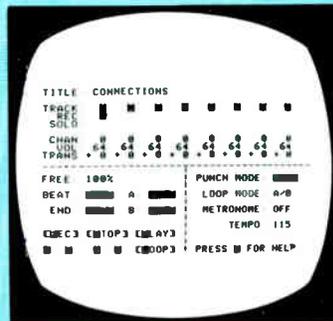
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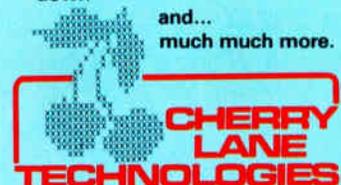
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—FROM PAGE 134, BONDS

turned them into overnight stars, only to drop them back into oblivion with nothing but that Cadillac and an overdue tax obligation. Bonds was discovered on a streetcorner in his native Norfolk, Virginia, singing doo-wop. "I think everybody did that down south," he recalls, "just hang around and sing. My group was called the Turks, after my favorites the Turbans."

The 19-year-old was approached by Frank Guida, who had co-written a song called "New Orleans" with Joe Royster. It was a country-and-western sort of tune, and Guida wanted Bonds to give it a rock/R&B feel. The single was released in a sleeve with the eye-catching inscription "Buy U.S. Bonds," and a name and a career were born.

"I thought the song was pretty good, but for about a year it didn't get around, mainly because it was on a small, independent label. If it wasn't for Dick Clark I'd probably still be in Norfolk, twiddling my thumbs." Clark agreed to play "New Orleans" on *American Bandstand* to see whether the kids thought it had a good beat and could dance to it. Recalls Bonds, "He said, 'If it gets a response, okay. If not, go out and

get yourself a truck driving job.' "

Abysmal production notwithstanding, "New Orleans" became a smash. Bonds and his sax player, Gene "Daddy G" Barge, wrote and arranged the followup, "Quarter to Three," never really expecting the trick to work a second time. "It didn't sound that good," he says, "but it was a fun record. It was so badly produced that no one could understand the lyrics, so you could make up your own dirty words and sing along. I wrote those lyrics in ten minutes, anyway."

The biggest problem Bonds faced in launching his career was not so different from the one he has now: he is black, and he is a rock singer—not a crossover balladeer or an R&B torch crooner or any of the other things it's acceptable for a black artist to be.

"When 'New Orleans' came out we didn't send out promo pictures, for that one reason," says Bonds. "We didn't do any live shows for the first year, for that one reason. At the time if you were a black artist it didn't matter if you sounded like Elvis Presley, you didn't go on the white radio stations. 'New Orleans' wasn't an R&B record, but by the time

they found out I was black I had two hits out and it was too late."

Haven't things changed in twenty years? Are you kidding? "Bruce Springsteen writes a song and I sing it, it's R&B," muses Bonds. "He sings the song the same way and it's rock. There's something wrong with that method."

Bonds never did have to take that truck driving job, and he never stopped performing after his early-'60s career peak. He was playing in lounges and doing oldies shows—"kicking around, not doing venues as large and not making as much money, but having just as much fun"—when Springsteen joined him on a New Jersey stage and decided to stick around to help him launch his "comeback." Their professional relationship has since ended, but the two remain friends. "That boy's got a little soul in him," cracks Bonds. "He's had a neckbone once or twice in his life."

After a lengthy break due to a car crash involving two of his band members, Bonds is back on the road. And okay, he's doing the smaller halls again, with less money and maybe no Top 40 hits, but it's what he does and it's what he likes to do. "I'm just doing my

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thing, and I'm going to continue doing it for at least 50, 60 more years. It takes a long time to get it right."

—*Ethlie Ann Vare*

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keeps it alive. Hot jazz, therefore, is expression and communication, a musical and social manifestation, and Blue Note records are concerned with identifying its impulse, not its sensational and commercial adornments."

This spirit would be illustrated by Alfred Lion's handwritten notation on a session report for an unissued date: "This session would be okay for release, but it is just not up to Blue Note's standards." Lundvall hopes to continue in that same tradition.

"We'll keep it a very serious jazz label," he says. "We're not going to attempt any broadscale crossover records or any of that. We'll have those artists who are the acknowledged masters—McCoy Tyner, Dexter Gordon, Stan Getz with Jackie Maclean, Stanley Turrentine with George Benson and Jimmy Smith, George Russell. And we'll release some albums by exciting new artists like Stanley Jordan and Bennie Wallace."

He adds, with a tone of concern, "I hope we'll be able to make a small profit on this, but by not doing some of the things I did on Elektra/Musician, that may be a problem. The whole concept of that label was that it represented the musician's concept. Therefore, it allowed me to use a very broad palette. I could do all kinds of people. And, of course, people like Tom Scott and Lee Ritenour sold a lot of records, so they were able to generate a real nice profit and support some of the other people who weren't selling as well—those artists who were making more straight ahead music or were more experimental. But I think with Blue Note, the tradition of the label is so rich that I can't do those kinds of broad-based commercial kinds of projects. I'm going to have to do this with real serious music. I think that's what the label has to be. So we're going to keep it in the tradition, and I'm even going to try to use Alfred Lion as a consultant."

As the former president of CBS Records in the States and the senior vice president of Elektra/Asylum/Nonesuch Records, Lundvall exhibited an uncanny sixth sense when it came to signing new talent. Among the many artists he signed over the past 25 years are such stellar names as Herbie Hancock, Bob James, Phoebe Snow, Dexter Gordon and Return To Forever.

"Listening to people like Art Tatum and Bud Powell and Charlie

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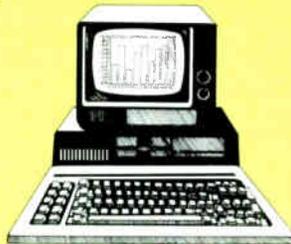
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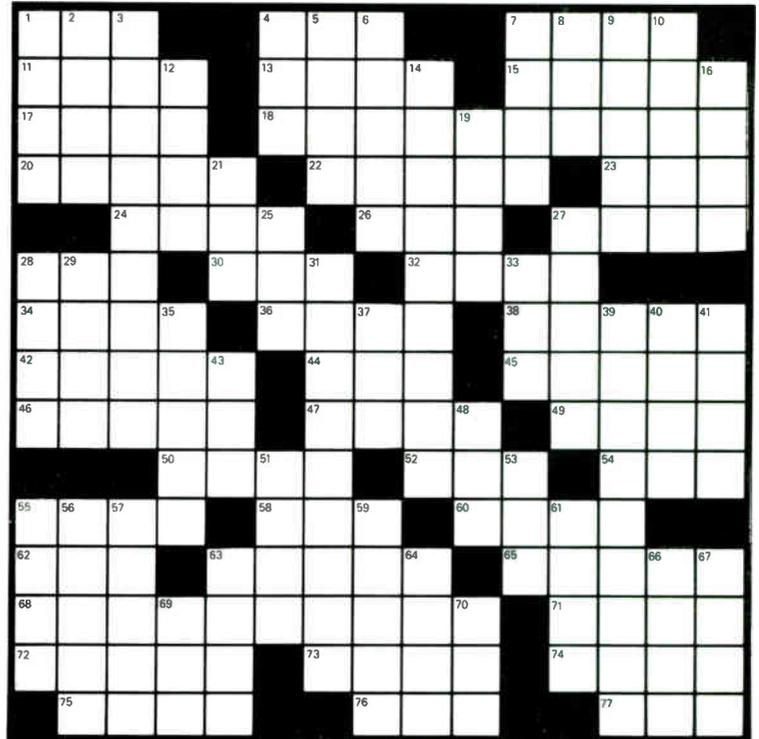
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- Latch part
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- Caravansary
- Gist
- Bridal_____
- Baseball's Mel
- Raison d'
- Stat for 26 Across
- Doc_____
- Mythological goddess
- Famed scat singer
- _____one
- Half of Peter & Gordon
- Southern_____
- Man's name
- Fishing gear
- Attest
- Atmosphere
- Ghetto
- "_____ Man"
- Siesta
- Synthesizer abbr.
- Fancy
- Tolkien's talking tree
- Attempt
- Name in the U.K.
- Winter constellation
- Nom de guerre
- Country guitarist
- St. _____'s Fire
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- Aviation prefix
- Pass lightly
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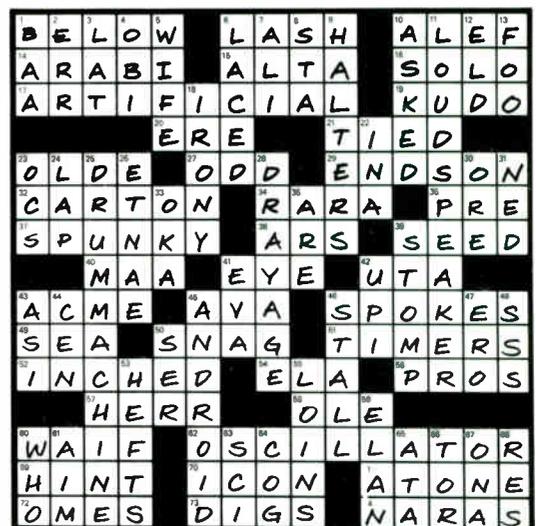
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- Latin lesson word
- "_____ Cats"
- Cumberland_____

- Chemical compounds (suffix)
- Cowboy's contest
- _____ Arnaz
- Dine
- Representative
- Flower (Fr.)
- Graf _____
- Acropolis sight
- River to North Sea
- Two a.m., e.g.
- Disencumber
- Singer Cole
- Lets up
- Confederates
- Played a horn
- Thielemans' axe
- _____ Safari
- Warning signal
- Randy Andy's old flame

- William of the mountain?
- Barney Google says this is sufficient
- San _____
- "Able was I _____, I saw Elba"
- "_____ Boot"
- Prefix with meter and scope
- School gp.
- Mate
- Ceases
- Silly
- Symbol
- Arabic letter
- Examination (comb. form)
- Roman fiddler
- Marie, to Pierre
- Barflies
- Poison; prefix
- Rocker Stewart

Solution to February Mix Words



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Parker as a kid really gave me a certain kind of ear training in a way," he says. "And it wasn't only the records. I used to go and see these people play. I was really seeing genius firsthand, being exposed to these absolute giants who you well knew were beyond anything that you would ever hear. It all kind of ingrained in me that ability to identify those people who are really special as opposed to those people who are talented but not particularly magical."

One signing that Lundvall is particularly proud of was getting Willie Nelson under wraps for Columbia. "I signed him after everyone had passed on him. He was dropped by Atlantic and everyone else at CBS just passed on him, but I knew all about him because I was a big fan of his when I was a little kid. So I signed him for next to nothing and of course he's sold millions and millions of records for CBS. His very first record there, *Red Headed Stranger*, sold two million."

A Lundvall enterprise that was widely praised by industry heads and jazz fans alike was the signing of Dexter Gordon, who had been living as an expatriate in Denmark for years before Lundvall sought him out.

"He came to New York from Copenhagen for the first time in about 14 years and played at a place on 59th Street. I went there the first night and signed him on the spot. He was amazed. He thought that maybe he might get some kind of deal with a small jazz label. I had been a fan since I was 12 years old. I had 78s by Dexter Gordon. So I signed him."

Lundvall was also instrumental in coaxing the reclusive Miles Davis out of retirement in 1981. "I thought they were going to fire me when I signed Miles," he recalls. "He, of course, hadn't made a record for five years but when the first record came out, *The Man With The Horn*, it paid for the whole deal and then some. I got the company to give him a Steinway piano for his 50th birthday. Probably that as much as anything made him sign with us. He was so thrilled with that Steinway."

It's that kind of personal interest and commitment that distinguishes Bruce Lundvall in the industry. He's been an important factor in the business, a catalyst for the careers of many artists over the past 25 years. And now he stands to help advance the careers of many more young artists as the head of Blue Note Records. Carrying on the legacy of Alfred Lion is bound to be no small pleasure for this life-long jazz fan.

—Bill Milkowski

Synthesizer Video Instruction Tapes

At last month's NAMM show in Anaheim, CA, Ferro Productions of Belleville, NJ, introduced their SynthArts series of synthesizer instructional videotape courses. The titles include "Secrets of Analog & Digital Synthesizers" and "Making the Most of MIDI." Each course consists of two volumes, with each volume containing a two-hour video tape (VHS or Beta) recorded in stereo hi-fi, as well as a comprehensive workbook/manual. The courses feature demonstrations using the most popular equipment from leading synthesizer manufacturers, and are taught by Steve De Furia, synthesist/programmer with such recording artists as Frank Zappa, Stevie Wonder, John Farrar, David Paich, Steve Pocar, and Lee Ritenour, as well as former faculty member of the Electronic Music Department of Berklee College of Music.

"The Secrets of Analog and Digital Synthesis," is a comprehensive

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The dB's

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high-apple-pie-in-the-sky hopes and never to let life get them . . . *that* down.

"Anybody that would watch the video and think, 'hmm, the dB's want me to go out and kill myself,' would have to have a screw loose somewhere," protests Holsapple. "And when we did the song, suicide was not as rampant as it is now. The powers that be at the major video networks were having a bit of a problem with the scene where I'm shoveling the pills in my mouth, and where my feet drop in the very next frame.

"Obviously, the easiest thing to do would have been to edit those portions out, but then the song would make virtually no sense. So Mr. Bill comes on and does a little introduction about how bad things have been for him, but they never really got him down; and at the end he just advises them to bounce back from life's troubles."

Holsapple pauses. "The 'bounce back' stuff has been a parallel to the dB's situation. It's always been my policy that it pays to be optimistic, and that's not easy in Ronald Reagan America."

The dB's' career might best be described as frustrating. Although critically praised since the beginning, and despite creative associations with like-minded fellow Southerners such as R.E.M., Let's Active, and Jason & the

Scorchers, the four popsters from Winston-Salem, N.C. haven't risen significantly above cult-favorite status in their six year existence.

Call it the fickle finger of fate, call it the lack of any discernible taste in the American mass audience—the band's relative obscurity certainly isn't any fault of their own. Their jangly '60s-influenced pop, alternately tough, charming, quirky, haunting, and soulful, with hooks that fasten in your brain and words that aren't just put there to give Holsapple something to do with his mouth, is some of the best stuff this country has to offer.

Small wonder, then, that the group's first two albums were English imports, the Brits having a quicker ear than we do in determining what's worthwhile among our own countrymen's contributions. *Stands For decibels and Percussion* on the Albion label both featured a healthy sampling of the dB's two songwriters and singers, lead guitarist Chris Stamey and rhythm guitarist Holsapple. (The latter's "Amplifier," in fact, first turned up on 1982's *Percussion*.)

"We used to do in-store appearances at record stores who were kind enough to ask us, when all we had were imports," recalls Holsapple, "and they'd have maybe one or two copies of the album in stock. So they'd get sold, and we'd just be stuck sitting around with nothing to sign. Maybe somebody'd

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side these walls," adds Helsley.

The happy and proud new owner was born in Los Angeles in 1941, and was always attracted to electronics and show business. His "Hollywood upbringing" included a fifth birthday party held over at Lucille Ball's house, and on graduating from high school he pursued his growing interest in electronics by joining Hollywood Radio and Electronics. It was while working there that Helsley met an enterprising young engineer named Walley Heider, and when one day Heider offered him a job with his new remote recording business, he eagerly jumped at the chance.

Between 1962 and 1967 he helped pioneer the field of mobile recording with Heider, working with such artists as Frank Sinatra, Barbra Streisand and Sammy Davis Jr., and at the Monterey Pop and Jazz Festivals. Then, in 1967, Helsley joined RCA Records as a maintenance technician and mixer, beginning his long association with the studios. Over the next decade he engineered classic sides by Harry Nilsson, Jose Feliciano and other artists, while simultaneously engineering for Pablo Records and cutting tracks with such jazz greats as Count Basie, Lionel Hampton, Ella Fitzgerald, Oscar Peterson and Cleo Laine.

In 1977 Helsley was reunited with Walley Heider when the latter took over the RCA facility, and appointed Helsley as head mixer of Heider/Filmways Scoring Services with a full round of administrative duties, in addition to his engineering work on feature films and television scoring dates. "We did a lot of big movie soundtracks and famous rock and roll albums during this period," points out Helsley. "The Rolling Stones recorded *Some Girls* here, and producer Jimmy Iovine worked out of here with such artists as Tom Petty, Stevie Nicks and Bob Seger. The studios had also hosted countless film and television scoring projects, including *Urban Cowboy*, *10*, *Smokey and The Bandit II*, *Sharkey's Machine*, *Falcon Crest*, *Remington Steele*, *Lou Grant* and *Dallas*, so it was really the end of an era when Filmways finally closed in 1982 on the tail of the recording industry slump," adds Helsley.

"In fact, the doors were closed for some two years after that period, and nothing happened," continues Helsley, who in the meantime created Grover Helsley Recording Inc. while continuing to work as an independent engineer. At the same time, he began negotiating to lease the recording complex, which was also attracting considerable attention from other industry people. After some

long and hard bargaining, he finally took over the studios in July of 1984.

Now fully operational again as Grover Helsley Recording, the refurbished studios are busier than ever, thanks to the perseverance of their new owner, who helped design the facility's custom-built Neve consoles and who is intimately familiar with each of the three rooms. "They're great rooms so, although we're doing a little remodeling and sprucing the place up, we're certainly not going to change the acoustics at all—there's simply no need," explains Helsley.

Helsley's plans for the future include taking full advantage of the facility's multi-purpose design, and apart from such record and television work, will also emphasize videotaping sessions for TV shows, as well as the production of music video projects. "We already do *The Bob Newhart Show* in Studio A, and we're picking up more and more shows all the time," he points out, "In fact, we're just about to start *The Lucy Arnaz Show*, and we've already done one show for *Ripley's Believe It Or Not* series, with plans for future shows. And, like I said, we definitely want to go after the video market, as we can easily accommodate any kind of production in Studio B."

Helsley is also helping to lease the nine floors of office space above the studio complex with the goal of developing the site into a complete entertainment center, and there are already many music-related companies in the building, including RCA Records and the JVC Cutting Center which is directly tied into Grover Helsley Recording via cables originally installed by RCA. "In fact, we just made an agreement with JVC enabling us to do direct-to-disk, as well as giving us the capability of the JVC digital recording system and the Sony digital recording system," he adds. "On top of that, we've also got various artists and music companies basing their activities out of here now. George Clinton has just moved his entire operation over here, and already has offices and all his Synclavier equipment set up. We also have two film music editing companies housed here—Damask, which is owned by Ken Johnson, and Musicue, which is owned by Steve Livingstone. These two work both separately and together. So really the future for the studios looks very bright indeed, because we have the space, the equipment, the personnel and the support of our neighbors in the building, and in terms of work, we can do film scoring, television scoring, commercials, records—everything."

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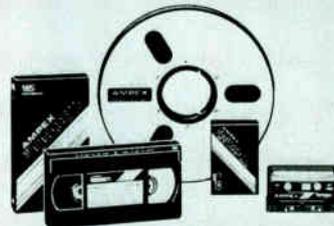
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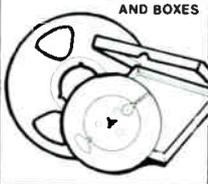
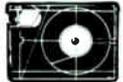
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—FROM PAGE 140, dB's
bring in a copy of *Planet Waves* and we'd sign that . . ."

Fortune smiled briefly on the lads when a U.S. label finally took an interest in them. A year and a half of negotiations later the dB's were signed to Warner Bros.—distributed Bearsville Records. But before recording got under way, a good-sized bomb dropped. Chris Stamey, the acknowledged leader of the band, wanted out.

"Chris wanted to work outside the two guitar-bass-drums framework," Holsapple says. "He'd offered to do the record with us, but time became a little oppressive, and he wanted to go off and do what he did. From knowing the guy for quite a while, I'd say he eschews the ordinary, and would rather go for something experimental. I think he's a whole lot happier.

"The parting was very friendly —I played on his new record. And we'll all still get together sometimes and . . . drink milk."

Stamey's departure left the dB's without a lead guitarist and with Holsapple holding the frontman's bag. "Chris and I had each sung lead on the songs we'd written," he relates, "which worked out about fifty-fifty. But now it was a real shock, coming to the conclusion that I was going to have to be standing up there alone . . . Of course, you're never really alone with a band."

Holsapple's confidence was further buoyed by the solo tour he'd done a couple of years before, just him and his guitar opening for R.E.M. "That really helped me focus things down to where I knew I had to become a singer, which I hadn't had to be before."

The lead guitar vacancy was filled by bassist Gene Holder, who'd been moonlighting as lead player with the Hoboken, N.J. pop band The Individuals while the dB's Bearsville contract was being sorted out. "Gene plays some really amazing stuff," Holsapple says admiringly.

Drummer Will Rigby stayed put on the traps, and the dB's recorded their first domestic album *Like This* as a three-piece. Recording was done at Bearsville Studios, with The Waitresses' Chris Butler producing. "He's a hard slave-driving man as far as working out bugs from the basic tracks," Holsapple says approvingly. "He also helped us rewrite and rearrange the basic structure of the songs.

"The band," he adds, "is 100 percent responsible for the arrangements. I come in with sort of folk songs—Woody Guthrie with a guitar on his shoulder—and they turn them into dB's songs somehow.

"I think our sound is a little more

accessible now," he muses. "We wanted *Like This* to have as much diversity as a dB's record should have, and I don't think we lost that quality when Chris left.

"We may have lost a little bit of the outward strangeness of the band. But part of the idea of pop music comes from the word 'popular,' and we certainly would not mind having a hit."

Like This sounded like it was chock full of 'em. The syncopated, jiving "Amplifier," the achingly tuneful "Love Is For Lovers," the wry, hook-laden "She Got Soul" all should have been played

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into the ground, but no such luck. Or rather, typical dB's luck. And they may have to wait awhile for another chance at that first hit, because the fickle finger has poked fate in the eye again. Bearsville Records folded in December, and so far Warner Bros. hasn't picked up the dB's option. Short-sighted of them, of course, but what can you do.

"It sounds very capitalistic," sighs Holsapple, "but we would like to move our standard of living up just one iota, so we could pay our rent and not have to worry about food for the table. We did choose this as a vocation, I realize that; it would've been just as easy to take up arc welding as a profession. But that doesn't seem to be too much to ask."

The dB's'll bounce back. They always do. If they don't, their loyal fans will destroy Winston-Salem. These guys have a new tradition to uphold—the continual creation of radical American pop from Dixie.

As to why this pop renaissance occurred in the South, Holsapple theorizes, "At the time when all of us were in our first bar bands, we couldn't escape playing the Allman Brothers/Marshall Tucker stuff, because that's what the bar patrons wanted to hear. You could stand up there and do songs by The Move, The Kinks, and Big Star, and they still wouldn't stand up until you played the first chords of 'Ramblin' Man.'

"We got tired of that, so I guess that's where our rebellious, renegade stance comes from. We're as proud of being from the South as Dicky and Duane, but we handle it in a different way."

—Moira McCormick

—FROM PAGE 62, SOUTHEAST

The studio, which specializes in recording for advertising and corporate communications clients, has added an Adams-Smith 2600 SMPTE synchronizer and 3/4" VTR and plans to complete building a third studio by May of this year. One recent project involved producing a 12 minute slideshow soundtrack for the Kentucky Derby Museum. This complex job involved conforming live sounds captured by 15 persons with Nagra recorders at the last derby, and transferring these sounds to two synchronized Ampex 24 track machines, which later received the narration and

music tracks. Once assembled, the entire system was brought into the museum itself for the final mix, so the sound would be custom optimized to the room. This setup precluded the use of automation, so a "lot of hands and a lot of takes were required to pull it off," according to engineer Tim Creed.

Chandler Audio is a "new" studio operated by Denny Chandler, who took over the badly managed and poorly maintained Riverside Studio in Ashland, Kentucky about a year ago. Chandler explains that one of his main obstacles is trying to overcome the former studio's bad reputation for shod-

dy maintenance. So after taking over, one of his first priorities was to put the equipment in shape. "The people at Harrison have been very helpful," says Chandler, who has now completed the revitalization of his Harrison 2436 console. "I had to completely re-wire the studio and then I brought in my collection of outboard gear. People were afraid to come here before, but now business is picking up." Another advantage the facility offers is its tri-state location, convenient to clients from Kentucky, West Virginia, and Southern Ohio, and Chandler is now drawing business from all three areas. ■

—FROM PAGE 54, SUN & FUN

for video work, however the press of the current work load has postponed that expansion. As a SPARS regional vice-president, Ms. Kaye plans to work toward further unification of the South Florida studios. She places great emphasis on mutual support, for example, loaning Criteria some microphones during some slightly too-busy days there in December.

New River Studios in Ft. Lauderdale is a relative newcomer to the area, and has the only 48 track room outside of Criteria. Studio manager Virginia Cayia described some of their recent activities which included vocal overdubs and mixing to video with Cyndi Lauper for her single "Money." Miami Sound Machine's album work at New River helps to extend their visibility to Central and South America. Until recent economic adversity reversed the trend, a growing number of Latin performers were traveling to South Florida to record; now that is limited to the wealthier clients. Jingle work continues to be the bread and butter for New River, and business is good, particularly because of the non-reliance on the ups and downs of booking album work. Cayia noted that future local rumor includes the construction of a Universal film studio in Ft. Lauderdale on State Road 84; the only tangible evidence is a large sign in the vacant lot proclaiming that fact. However she had higher hopes for the recent repeal of a state sales tax law; there is no longer a five percent levy on time, only a tax on materials. This affects both the recording and motion picture industry in Florida.

My next stop was at Video Tape Associates in Hollywood. According to chief audio engineer Joe Moore, 99 percent of his work is audio for video, primarily television commercials, and they are booked solid, five days a week. The bulk of the work is local and regional, with a fair sampling of

national clients, such as McDonalds, Goodyear, Norwegian Caribbean Lines, Lincoln-Mercury, Blue Cross-Blue Shield, and increasingly, South American accounts such as Colgate-Palmolive. Elements for the audio mix are supplied by the client, or VTA, then edited and placed on the video master, via automated 24 track audio.

Business at VTA can be described as fabulous; unlike the situation in some music-only studios, booking time for audio for television is continually increasing, to the extent that a computer system has been installed at VTA solely to handle booking. Every evening at 5:00 p.m., Moore is handed a computer print-out listing his appointments for the next day. Three on-line editing rooms are booked day and night, sometimes with 20 hour shifts. Moreover, according to Moore, that load appears to be typical in many Southeastern video studios. Although historically there has been a seasonal variation in the number of bookings, with September through February being peak months, summer work during the past two years has seen heavy booking. An area for potential growth is network television work in South Florida, with programs such as **Miami Vice**, possibly signaling a re-emergence of a local television industry, something not seen in Florida since the 1960s.

My final conversation was with Ron Warren, the regional 3M representative. As the man who sells the magnetic stuff, more than anyone he should know how South Florida's recordists are doing. He is enthusiastic about the state of affairs, and moreover sees momentum and anticipation on the part of his clients, indicating future uptrends, particularly in video, which currently accounts for 65 percent of his volume. However according to Warren, audio tape sales have been steady, and showing marked improvement since Novem-

ber. Echoing others' statements, he believes that the South Florida market is becoming less seasonal, particularly over the last two years. Although fluctuation does occur, the business cycle is beginning to flatten out. In general, from his standpoint, Mr. Warren has seen a 12 to 15 percent yearly growth in the regional market over the past five years, with increasing growth particularly in the last quarter of 1984. In conclusion, he summarized 1984 as an exceptional year, and is convinced that 1985 will be even better.

South Florida is thus a prospering yet unfulfilled market. While it will always find a fair share of regional work in audio, video, and film, and attract some national and international clients, there is no specific direction for growth. That will come only as a result of careful cultivation of industries such as television and film. The motion picture industry has long flirted with South Florida, with recently promising signs. In 1983, 27 feature films were shot on location here, along with 836 short subjects and TV commercials, for a total of \$147 million. While that is a little shy of the \$22.8 billion spent by tourists in 1983, Florida now ranks third in the film industry behind California and New York. With the growing decentralization of the film business, Florida stands to gain an increasing market share, and is currently actively selling the sunshine to attempt to lure the high-visibility, well-paying industry. The audio recording and postproduction business would incalculably benefit by sustained growth in the Florida film industry.

With the situation firmly in hand, secure in the belief that the art and science of audio was alive in South Florida, I took advantage of the only real reason for being here. I headed for the beach.

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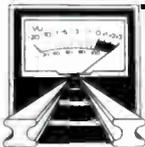
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JASON & THE SCORCHERS

Lost and Found

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by Bruce Borgerson

Produced by Terry Manning with associate producers Warner Hodges and Jeff Johnson; engineered by Terry Manning; assistant engineers: Tom Harding; Recorded at Treasure Isle Recorders and Emerald Sound Studios, Nashville, TN; mixed at Alpha Sound, Memphis, TN; mastered at Masterdisk, New York, NY.

What if Hank Williams, Sr. had been given the opportunity to record a few tunes backed by The Ramones? What if Gram Parsons had joined the New York Dolls instead of the Flying Burrito Brothers? What if . . .

We'll never know the answers to these questions, but at least Jason & the Scorchers are leaving a trail of clues—a trail of shattered drumsticks, smoking amplifiers, sweating fans, and charmed critics. After forging their bashing blend of country and punk (punktry? punkabilly?) in the dank new wave dives of Nashville, the foursome soon attracted a sizeable following, released two discs on the independent Praxis label, landed

gigs at notable New York clubs, caught the jaded New York critics by surprise, and finally ended up last year with a signed contract from EMI America. *Fervor*, their second Praxis disc, was re-released by EMI after the original material was remixed and a torrid cover of Dylan's "Absolutely Sweet Marie" was added. Also released as a single, "Sweet Marie" had good video exposure on MTV but met with shrugs and head-shaking at most AOR radio stations. (What is this stuff anyway? A '60s folk-rock song with outlandish country rube vocals and hyperkinetic electric guitars? Do I dare program this between Journey and the Eurythmics?) Consequently, in their homeland, *Fervor* barely raised the band above cult status. They fared far better among more receptive European audiences. Their first tour captivated the London rock press, several singles were released, and sales of *Fervor* soon surpassed the U.S. totals. A hastily scheduled second European tour saw the Scorchers headlining concerts drawing upwards of 8,000. In the lands of cerebral synth-rock, the Scorchers' 100-proof blend of blood, sweat and angst has proven to be a welcome stimulant.

In *Lost and Found*, their first full-length LP (*Fervor* was a 7-song mini-LP), the Scorchers are roaring back with

the same thrashing energy, only this time with a more controlled, refined sound. The title is appropriate because some of the offhand, reckless charm of *Fervor* has been lost; at the same time, however, the group has found consistency, polish, and—they fervently hope—some music more accessible to a broad American rock audience.

Although the album as a whole has the momentum of a buffalo stampede, the band does provide breathing space with a couple of plaintive country ballads. Acknowledging a genuine debt to their country roots, the Scorchers recruited veteran sessionmen Kenny Lovelace (fiddle) and Earl Poole Ball (piano) to aid them on several tracks.

Of *Lost and Found's* 11 songs, five are written by lead vocalist Jason Ringenberg, whose yelping style has been tamed of its excesses but not of its enthusiasm. Bassist Jeff Johnson and drummer Perry Baggs (teamed with co-writer Larry Napier) contribute two tunes each, and two covers of 1950s country classics are also included—Hank Williams' "Lost Highway" and Eddy Arnold's "I Really Don't Want to Know." What the Scorchers do to these standards could bring Hank out of his grave and put Eddy into his.

Considerable credit for the

Scorchers' tighter recorded sound goes to producer/engineer Terry Manning, whose other recent credits include ZZ Top, George Thorogood, and Molly Hatchet. A former session guitarist and engineer at Stax/Volt in Memphis, Manning was initially recruited to re-mix *Fervor* and produce the added "Sweet Marie" sessions.

"Bringing in Terry was my idea," says guitarist and associate producer Warner Hodges. "I jokingly said one day that I'd like to work with ZZ Top's people because they were the only ones doing something remotely similar to what we were doing, and they were also getting great sounds. At first we just had a good laugh, and then I thought, 'Hell, we've got a deal and some money, let's

give him a call and give it a whirl.' It worked out very well. It takes a lot of talent and patience to take four young hellions and make something out of them. I also respect Terry enormously for listening to us. There are not too many people with that kind of track record who would take Jeff and me—the original gutter boys—and really listen to our ideas."

Manning's task was not an easy one: help take the Scorchers' rampaging, whirling-dervish stage show and translate it into grooves on vinyl. The job began with selecting and re-arranging the material in pre-production sessions.

"Some of the songs had to be changed," admits Hodges. "We added on to some songs—like 'White Lies' and

'Money Talks'—because they were too short. It's hard getting airplay with a 96-second song. But the biggest problem, especially for Jason and Perry, was adapting to the studio procedure—not playing everything live at the same time. A few cuts, like 'Lost Highway,' were done live in the studio, but mostly we built up the tracks separately."

The rhythm bottom tracks were laid down with bass and drums playing together or, in some cases, with drummer Baggs playing from memory to nothing but a click track. Then, for the hard-rockers, Hodges added two or three layers of electric guitar by interweaving his high-volume power chords with stuttering eighth notes, controlled feedback and stinging leads. Hodges' guitar parts have a dual, seemingly contradictory role: they kick in an afterburner of thrust, but they also hold the whole sound together. This importance is reflected in the time and effort put into the album's guitar overdubs.

Development of guitar sounds was a three-way collaboration involving Hodges, Manning, and guitar builder/techno-freak Dave Sutherland, who connected with Hodges shortly before recording began. Hodges and Sutherland would work on finding the right sound in the studio, with Manning then deftly tailoring it for the tape.

"Warner and Terry would tell me what kind of sound they wanted," says Sutherland, "and I would suggest a certain guitar and amp. We'd try that and, if it didn't work, we'd try something else. On any given day we'd have seven or eight guitars, plus three or four speaker cabinets. We'd mix and match until we got what we wanted." Guitars used on *Lost and Found*—most of them Sutherland's—include a stock 1951 Telecaster, a custom Telecaster, custom Stratocaster, stock Strat, re-worked Jazzmaster, and two exotic guitars hand built by Sutherland. Amps utilized included a Dean Markley, Mesa Boogie, early 1960s Fender Super Reverb, Spectra, Hiwatt head, and custom speaker cabinets made by Sutherland.

Although Sutherland had been building and modifying guitars and amps for years, the Scorchers' sessions were his first foray into a recording studio. "It was great working with Terry," says Sutherland. "After he saw what I could do, he gave me a free hand to try anything. For somebody with his track record to let somebody who had never been in a studio before just go out there and try things is pretty amazing. And he said some of the sounds we got were among the best he's recorded!"

All guitar overdubs were cut with Hodges romping about in Treasure Isle's roomy (fortunately!) control room. Usually, each part was recorded in stereo, with one amp positioned in the live

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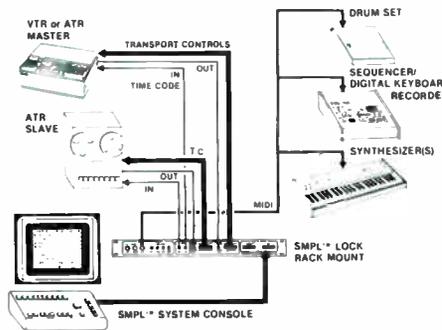
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end of the large (30'x40' with 25' ceiling) main studio and another amp in a hard-walled upstairs storage room. The split signal and long cables did cause some headaches. "We were losing a lot of guitar signal," says Sutherland. "On some cuts we were using the '51 Tele with the original pickups. Well, the magnets had deteriorated to where there wasn't much output, so we were fighting that signal loss constantly. I'm working on a rack of pre-amps and amps for the next album so we don't have to worry about it again."

Despite the problems, the trio concocted some remarkable guitar sonics. The sustained feedback "lead" on "Lost Highway" is a notable example: "At first I couldn't control the feedback at all," says Hodges. "I had to play it live, out in the room, and the three bottom strings were feeding back so bad that I just de-tuned them, loosened them until they were nothing. Then I hit that power chord and Dave was standing right in front of me, shaking the pickup to make the feedback come out right. At the end, when I heard the high feedback coming in, I grabbed the flatted strings and yanked on them."

"We were out there for about forty minutes working on that," adds Sutherland. "I was working the pedals and knobs while Warner was playing. It took us a long time to get the low, roaring feedback with the second order harmonic overtones but without the high-pitched squeal. When he yanks those strings it's a weird sci-fi kind of sound, like a spaceship in a movie. I'm sure Hank never heard it that way!"

For weight, thickness, and searing edge, the sounds on "White Lies" stand out. "We used Terry's 100 watt Hiwatt on that," says Sutherland, "with every knob at maximum. We ran it through my custom-built cabinet with a single Electro-Voice 12" speaker rated at 250 watts. We put it over in the live end of the big room and let it run wide open for a couple of hours while we worked on the tune."

"I was playing the '51 Tele on that," continues Hodges. "We had used that combination on a couple tunes before "White Lies," but after those tracks Terry's poor Hiwatt was never quite the same."

Once again, the Scorchers' rampaging sound has challenged the limits of mortal musical instruments. But the Hiwatt has not died (or gone comatose) in vain. Although some may say the Scorchers' brand of "punktry" represents a limited genre—and, granted, the mixture may be too volatile to endure over a stretch of five or six albums—none can deny that in *Lost and Found*, Jason & the Scorchers have welded together a vital new synthesis of country's romantic tradition and rock's explosive rebellion. ■

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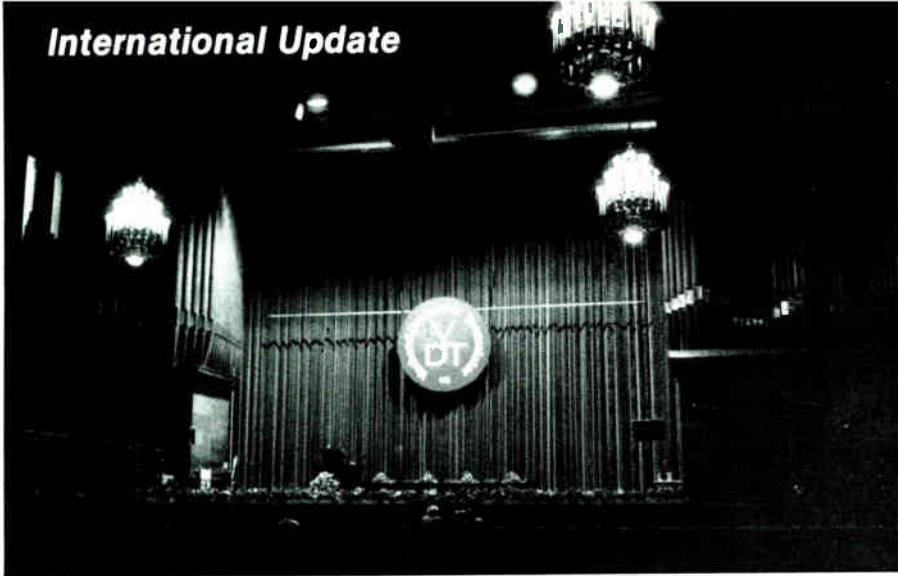
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German Sound Engineers' Convention

by Marco Fratnik

The VDT (Verband Deutscher Tonmeister) is an organization gathering German sound engineers from the record industry, film, TV, radio and theater. The conventions aim to promote communications between sound engineers, manufacturers and researchers. Conferred for the first time this year, the "Golden Bobby" is an award sponsored by Agfa-Gevaert that honors the most outstanding recording.

The technical conferences and manufacturers' shows may remind you of an AES convention, yet the atmosphere was noticeably different and the welcome talks expressed it clearly: there is nothing wrong with putting the emphasis on technology, but many other qualities, such as knowing the repertoire, are required from a "Tonmeister". Further concern for the profession was shown during the roundtable ("The Situation of the Recording Engineer Toward Copyrights") while other speeches supported a more cost-oriented view ("The Practical Use of Music Computers in the Recording Studio"). This "fast-food-music" approach supposedly increases efficiency without degrading the quality. Of course, if you like fast-food you missed my point.

TECHNICAL SPEECHES

A central topic of discussion was the improvement of microphone quality. Philip White (Bruel & Kjaer) explained the need of matching the characteristics of microphones with those of digital recorders. The main divergence seems to appear in the phase shift and/or the frequency response of most microphones at extreme frequencies (both high and low). While an amplitude fall can be boosted by an appropriate equalization, an altered time response cannot

be corrected as easily. Of course nobody would bother if this didn't have an audible adverse effect (a low-frequency signal loses clarity if its phase shift is too large). What makes it even more noticeable is the extended low frequency response of digital recorders. The advocated solution consists in lowering the corner frequency of the microphone down to a few Hertz, while carefully keeping the phase shift down to a minimum (the B&K series 4000 boasts a 3.5 Hz corner frequency with an 80 degree phase shift)

Other problems occur at high frequencies which is not surprising considering that this microphone is omnidirectional. Usually, omnidirectional microphones have a 6 dB peak around 7-8 kHz for a 0 degree incidence angle. At other angles, the diaphragm is not evenly displaced over all its surface because the wavelength of the signal is much shorter than its diameter. One of the countermeasures proposed is to reduce the diameter of the diaphragm. Further optimization is required to take into account the angle of incidence. The conclusion is nevertheless optimistic: it is possible to build microphones that do not degrade the specifications of digital equipment.

Jorg Wuttke (Schoeps) presented new orientations for developing omnidirectional capsules while Manfred Hibbing (Sennheiser, see under "products") proposed to lower the noise-floor. The latest trends are toward omnidirectional, symmetrical capsule microphones.

Roland Masslich explained the basis of a research project by ANT on the development of a digital mixer.

The first step is to develop a channel processor, similar in function to the analog I/O module, thus the unit contains at least an input gain control, an equalizer, a pan-pot and a channel gain

control. A new processing element is included: a time delay, which is simple to obtain with digital technology. This delay will allow, for example, the elimination of the time difference between the signals of two microphones placed in different locations.

Two master units are necessary: one of them to alter the settings of the board and the other to direct the operations as well as running control and test routines.

Each channel input accepts analog inputs (via an ADC) and digital ones (parallel and serial).

Of course, a very high clock rate is necessary to run this board in real time especially if all the channel signals

are multiplexed on a single data bus. A frequency of about 10 MHz—and up to 50 MHz for large boards—must be used.

All the filters are programmable and—due to their digital conception—permit new types of signal processing that were impossible with their analog counterparts. A further advantage is the easier control over the phase shift in digital filters. The gain control also assumes a new dimension: the same processing device can be a simple amplifier but also functions as a limiter, a compressor, an expander or a noise gate. It all depends on the programmed algorithm.

As with any other digital system, a simulation of the process is essential before a prototype can be assembled. The simulation permits derivation of the algorithms as well as testing the psychoacoustic qualities of the system. To run these tests, a set of analog signals are digitized and stored, in real time, in a mass storage medium. A computer will then apply the algorithms on this material and store the treated data in another memory. This method permits one to run reliable A-B tests.

Once these specifications and methods are developed, the components of the system can be defined. One can guess that a 16 bit microprocessor can not satisfactorily perform all these tasks. Double precision arithmetic is needed, which of course means 32 bits. But a 32 bit micro would require a much higher efficiency in the calculations. Another alternative is offered: cascaded and/or parallel 4 or 8 bit micros. It is then possible to run about one hundred operations every microsecond on 32 bits words (please notice that 32 bits correspond to more than 180 dB!)

The ANT project also includes the development of a microphone and a pre-amplifier (these two being still analog) that will match the specifications

PLAIN TALK by magnifax

Q: Aren't the Magnefax duplicators obsolete?

A. Magnefax is an "old" company which has been serving the needs of the duplicating community for the past 25 years. The design of the common mandrel capstan has been used since the beginning and still constitutes the backbone of all Magnefax machines. This design has been time-tested and is now proven, this is far to be the definition of obsolescence! Since 1959 the machine has been continuously refined in terms of design and production. Magnefax uses the most recent technology including digital metering, optocoupling and Large Scale Integration circuitry. State of the art equipment is used in all phases of the production and all components used in the machines are of the highest quality available.

Q. How does a Magnefax compare to the competition?

A. Although the duplicating ratio of a Magnefax is only of 16:1, the output in terms of tapes/hour is comparable to machines costing three to four times more. Because our machines come with a seven slaves configuration as standard, in term of cost/output the Magnefax are unbeatable. The main advantages of the "low" 16:1 duplicating ratio of a Magnefax system are found in the quality of the final product: The dynamic range in the high end of a Magnefax is unequalled and would be impossible to achieve at 64:1 or even 32:1, the slower speed resulting of the 16:1 ratio translates into reduced mechanical wear and the lowest maintenance of any machine on the market today.

Comparing a Magnefax duplicator to the competition is being unfair to the competition, a Magnefax duplicator is a standard by itself.

Q. Why does the machine look like that? I mean weird.

A. The common mandrel design dictates the overall look of the system and the advantages of such a design outweigh the machine's unusual appearance. While other manufacturers are using so called sophisticated techniques to achieve constant speed and minimum wow and flutter between master and slaves (PLL, feedback dc motors etc...) Magnefax uses the common mandrel design which solves all of these problems: The common capstan between master and slaves reduces relative speed variations to 0% with only one heavy duty motor driving the capstan thus leading to the lowest possible maintenance. A conventional duplicating machine with seven slaves will use at least eight motors to perform the same job than a Magnefax with its single, reliable motor...In addition, Magnefax has a lower floor space requirement than the conventional duplicating systems: a Magnefax duplicator is at home with only 20 square feet...most brands require this much for the master unit only. As to the vertical handling of the pancakes in the Magnefax vs. the horizontal positioning of the competition's units: we do not say that they are wrong but we do say that we are right to position the tape vertically in the machine when we see the end result: a perfectly packed pancake.

Who said that the machine looked weird anyway?

Q. How expandable is the Magnefax duplicating system?

A. A Magnefax system is not expandable because too many compromises would have to be made in terms of performance and reliability. The fact is that equal or superior output in terms of tapes/hour can be achieved with one Magnefax for up to 75% savings when compared to the competition. If you need more output, buy a second Magnefax machine. By doing so you are still ahead financially, you doubled your output, you can run two different jobs simultaneously and in the very improbable case that something goes wrong with one of your machines your business is not completely dead.

How is that for expandability?

Q. Is the Magnefax system upgradable or am I stuck with what I bought?

A. Good question, here is a good answer: First of all, when you buy a Magnefax duplicator you are not "stuck": you have purchased the best possible machine. Yes the system is upgradable. Although all Magnefax duplicators reflect the best available technology, we are continuously evaluating upgrades to our machines through active research and development. Our modular design for the electronics is a proof of our commitment. Some options will be provided soon for the 7.5 IPS machine but any existing 7.5 IPS Magnefax can be upgraded at any time.

Q. How much maintenance is required on a Magnefax machine?

A. Our favorite question. Near zero is the answer, a drop of oil once in a while for the bearings of the shaft, normal head maintenance (cleaning and lapping) and that is basically it. It is not uncommon to have customers say to us that in years of normal use all that they ever changed were the pinch rollers...Once a customer complained that one of the motor belts broke and he was wondering if it was a sign that things would be starting to go downhill for his machine. After we reassured him we asked how long he had been using the duplicator prior to this unfortunate accident, the answer was 17 years...

Q. Do we need specialized personnel to run a Magnefax duplicator?

A. No. After a normal training phase anyone can load and run the system.

Q. Most Magnefax machines are used for voice duplication and not for music. Why is that?

A. Until now Magnefax provided only a 3.75 IPS stereo machine for cassette tape duplication. This fact seriously limited the market to the voice business although spectacular results are obtained with music recorded at 3.75 IPS. The new machine answers the needs of companies using 7.5 IPS masters and teams unsurpassed quality of music duplication with the legendary Magnefax reliability.

Q. What about field support?

A. As previously mentioned, near zero maintenance is required. Every machine is thoroughly tested prior to shipment but in the unlikely event that something goes wrong we can provide technical support by phone (most of the problems can be field corrected after talking to one of our engineers) or have one of our representatives contact you for further action. In any case the problem will be corrected within a very short period of time.

Q. If the machine is this good how come I don't hear more about it?

A. In order to keep the quality of the production very high we have to work on a small scale. It takes a full two days for a skilled worker to finish by hand the shaft used for the common mandrel to our specifications (and this is the final phase for a piece which first has been hardened and rectified to very close tolerances on the finest machines available. Another fact is that you cannot find too many used Magnefax duplicators on the market since users tend to keep them forever (98% of the Magnefax systems ever built are still in operation). Finally the fact is that since the Magnefax duplicators are a standard by themselves we do not need to advertise the product aggressively. When all things are taken into account we really don't have any competition.

Q. Why should I buy a Magnefax duplicating system?

A. Did you listen to what I said?

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Schoeps showed new omnidirectional microphone capsule developments, while Studer demonstrated their approaches to digital recording.



Bruel and Kjaer demonstrated the need for matching the characteristics of microphones with those of digital recorders.

of the board.

Roger Lagadec from Studer summarized the basis from which their digital open-reel tape machine was developed. The DASH format is a set of rules that specify the manner of recording a digital signal on tape. Of course, these specifications impose mechanical and electrical constraints as well.

A DASH format tape recorder must have 2 to 48 channels, a clock rate of either 48 or 44.1 kHz (for a 16 bit

word). Three main "sub-formats" are defined by the tape speed and the number of tracks per channel: DASH-F (fast) is 30 ips with one track/channel, DASH-M (medium) is 15 ips with two tracks/channel. Four additional tracks are reserved for time code, a "help track" containing further information on the recorded material and labels, and one or two tracks permitting one to localize the digital signal (to help editing for example). Analog recorded "search tracks"

would require two more heads; to avoid this, Studer plans to record them in pulse-width modulation.

Digital data, of course, must be processed before it can be recorded on tape. The data stream is first divided in blocks to which synchronization words are added. Then an error detection code is added and interleaving is applied to reduce the adverse effects of drop-outs. Additional data will help error correction. Symmetrical processing is neces-

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sary in the playback chain and supplementary circuitry must be inserted to handle error correction. The amount of error will be displayed on a scale of eight LEDs: the green ones will indicate that any error has been fully corrected, the yellow LEDs indicate that a small error occurred, while the reds will light up in case of muting or unreadable data.

In spite of these precautions some errors can still be too large to be corrected therefore stringent mechanical tolerances must be respected (especially in the head construction and alignment).

Top quality tapes must be used in order to accept the high data density.

Dieter Berger from Neumann explained the need for a new architecture of automated boards. Depending on whether a board is used for TV, recording or broadcasting the needs are different. Some applications may necessitate a recall-type automation while others require a fully dynamic automation. To achieve this great level of flexibility it is necessary to use a modular architecture. Moreover, the controls of the board are not centralized: there is one microprocessor-based controller for every four modules. The modules are standard in size (A1 racks and Europe-cards).

Flexibility is further increased by the buss system. Each module has two connectors in the back. One of them is used for audio signals and the other connects the module to the control buss. Because several modules are managed by a single controller it is necessary to address them. The address is provided by hardware bridges into the audio signal connector. The advantage of having an address that any two modules are interchangeable without adjustment.

Another buss connects the microcontrollers between them. Outputs to external microcontrollers and floppy disks are also provided.

Each microprocessor card contains the same hardware and its function depends exclusively on the content of the EPROM. This greatly simplifies maintenance. The micro is a 6809 addressing 64k of internal RAM.

The other main topics were acoustics, studies on recording and playback architectures, audio technology for TV and film.

PRODUCTS

The AES convention took place in New York only a few weeks earlier and, of course, not many products had been developed since. There is however a surprise: a prototype mixing board by SELÅ (Sweden). Maybe you remember that about two years ago this company commercialized the 2880-6F, a portable stereo audio mixer. The board was specifically designed for film use (in conjunction with two Nagra recorders). New solutions were then applied: con-

ductive plastic faders, switchable scales for the faders (log/expanded), a limiter with release time set by a circuit measuring the energy contained in the peaking signal and a Q control on each equalizer, making them fully parametric. The new mixer, the SELÅ 2880-RP6, is a similar model (six microphone inputs) offering a similar quality (the typical equivalent input noise is lower than 1 dB!)

CEGITES (France) simplifies audio-video synchronization and helps save a lot of time (they claim up to 50%) with the introduction of the VMP800S. This system, which tracks by displaying

the presence of a audio signals seven seconds before they occur, is available for 8 or 16 basic tracks but can be expanded thanks to its modular conception. It is easily installed on any system.

A new monitoring system from MB-Electronic (W. Germany): it not only looks but also sounds like a cross between loudspeakers and headphones. The resultant sound field is in front of the head (instead of inside it with traditional headphones). Bass frequencies are also transmitted to the body through the harness. All the electronics are located in the box behind the head. In spite of its bulky look

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Sennheiser (W. Germany) introduced a low-noise cardioid microphone, the MKH 40. Inherent noise level is rated at 10 dBA and the frequency response is rather linear from 40 Hz to 20 kHz thanks to the symmetrical assembly of the capsule. The microphone also has a roll-off filter (corner frequency is 250 Hz and an attenuation of 12 dB/octave) and a 10 dB attenuator. The cardioid characteristic is well conserved throughout the entire bandwidth.

Philips (Holland) presented a professional Compact Disc system (LHH 200) for broadcasting which permits control of up to three players. Any point of a disc can be cued in less than two seconds with frame accuracy. A dial knob permits rapid access of the desired frame. The time-code information contained in the P- and Q- subcode channels of each player can be displayed on the LED display of the control module.

RE Instruments (Denmark) showed an FFT audio analyzer—the RE201—that permits measurement of harmonic distortion, intermodulation, difference frequency distortion, transient intermodulation distortion, level peak and (real-) RMS, wow and flutter, crosstalk and phase. Every parameter is programmable through a very elaborate (but easy to use) software and several operations can be sequenced. The analyzer incorporates two 16 bit microprocessors. The RS232 port is standard while the IEEE488 is optional.

Another two-channel signal analyzer was presented by Bruel & Kjaer (Denmark also): the model 2032. It would be shorter to explain what it can not do, rather than the contrary. Of course, this one is also programmable and can be directly connected on an IEEE488 buss.

The AVP-500/AVS-500 Synchronizer is a synchronizer by Sony. The basic system permits the synchronization of one master and three slaves but several processing units could be cascaded to control up to 32 machines. Two hundred takes can be programmed (with punch in/out, offset of each slave machine from 1/80 of a frame up to 24 hours and 8 relay functions). The synchronizer works with SMPTE, EBU, drop frame and film time codes.

In order to write a reasonably short article I had to pick a few speeches and products out of a very large hat. Most of the events I discarded are not of inferior quality or interest but simply too complex to be summarized in a few words. ■



Virgin Records' Town House Three control room in Battersea, England.

Acoustics with Andy Munro and Town House Three

"We understand the artistic requirements of clients, as do a number of acousticians. But we are then able to apply a fair amount of scientific theory to the problems, which most are unable to do."

by Richard Dean

Acoustic consultant Andy Munro of Hendon-based Turnkey Two reclines in the re-furbished splendor of one of his latest projects in Battersea, London. The location is Town House Three, the old Rampart Studios bought from The Who last October by Richard Branson's Virgin Records label.

"The studio was run without any change for six months before we were brought in to do a re-fit," says Munro. After the initial design and planning stage, Turnkey started work on an enlarged control room, a studio with guitar booth, and a drum isolation room for the new owners at the end of April this year. The job was completed at the beginning of July.

"The premises used to be Methodist Hall," Munro continues, "and from what I can gather The Who initially bought it for equipment storage, and its studio role came almost as an afterthought. In any event, it was in a pretty awful state when we first moved in. A lot of the original parquet floor was all right, although it was all caked in filth and had to be re-laid. But the original dividing walls were made out of old breeze blocks, and the foundations were inadequate."

"In the first instance we had some opposition from the District Surveyor's office because it turned out that they weren't consulted for the original Rampart conversion." Munro managed to smooth oil on the troubled local authority waters by sinking a 7 ft. foundation beneath the isolation room cavity wall and substantially re-building the structure—at one point half the studio roof was supported by Acro jacks. "Once the DS realized that we were prepared to work professionally, we both got on all right," he adds.

Munro's career in acoustics now spans over 100 recording studios from scratch with many more "re-vamps" both at home and abroad, plus work for Elstree Studios and the National Theatre, and even the odd isolation room for banks and other bug-free zones. But it all started when he dropped out of a mechanical engineering degree course to work in the "much more interesting" field of acoustics with Shure in 1974.

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International Update

After five years with Shure, including some time spent in Chicago, Munro was getting more and more involved in studio design and approached Turnkey—the 4½ million pounds-turnover company founded by Andrew Stirling, Ivor Taylor and Andy Bereza from Allen & Heath/Brenell—to form a specialist acoustics consultancy. Hence Turnkey Two was born.

"We approach each room individually rather than use a uniform Eastlake-style approach," says Munro, "I would say that building studios in this way requires about 30% acoustic and 70% architectural design, and you should mention our architect Roger D'Arcy, with Hugh Flinn as the design draftsman. A lot of our success is down to the efforts of this team," adds the ever-modest Munro. An associate company—Room Service—handles the construction side, under the watchful eye of Kevin Daisley. "We've deliberately kept the building side independent," adds Munro.

Back in the pink and grey opulence of Townhouse Three's reception area Munro explains the work done in this particular case in more detail. First the structure and acoustics. The obligatory lounge and kitchen have been incorporated above the reception and workshop, on the same level as a 7-8 ft. void above the studio and control room. This houses the unusual but apparently compatible combination of echo plates and air conditioning, while the ceilings suspended beneath all use resonated granite chippings sunk into an epoxy base.

Sliding double doors with enough space for a vocal dub separate the control room from the studio, with the guitar booth let into the control room on one side. On the other is a booth for amplifiers and power supplies, while the isolation room is opposite at the other end of the studio. Those doors are a particularly smooth-running Swedish design which lock anywhere along the track.

Most of the walls are finished in black fabric, with a matrix of wooden slatting on some panels in the isolation room and control rooms. But I was interested to note a low level of sound absorptive trapping, and the inclusion of both high-level windows and three or so full-length mirror sheets in the studio.

"Studios need an ambience these days," says Munro. "Things have changed since the old 'dead acoustic' days where bands were used to playing on the road above all, and expected to set up their equipment in the studio like a

gig. A number of things have helped this along—better use of recording techniques like multitrack and direct-injection, and more advanced foldback to musicians.

"Of course the studio-first-gig-later phenomenon of electronic pop started a shift in studio design, first demanding an increase in the overdub capacity of the control room. But now that guitar sounds are coming back, bands are discovering that if you're going to use a studio area it may as well contribute a natural acoustic, which you can't simulate electronically."

And so to the control room. "We began by knocking out an existing corridor, which gave us a room 10m wide with a 75m² total area," says Munro. "This meant that we could accommodate a full set of keyboards, but also that the acoustic had to be more absorptive than usual." Nevertheless, most of the trapping, especially the multi-element hanging systems, is restricted to the corners.

"Nobody is sure why the brain separates a mono two-tone of 4kHz and 40 Hz into left and right on headphones. In fact we don't even know how the brain manages to extract stereo from headphones."

"We stripped out the old six-channel monitoring system, which I think was installed for the 'Quintaphonic' dub of the Tommy movie, and replaced it with a tri-amp Yamaha-driven soft-dome arrangement." Why softdomes? Or put another way, why not horns? "Horns produce high levels, but they distort," claims Munro. "A softdome on the other hand has a cleaner sound, but until about two years ago couldn't deliver the necessary 130dB peak level for monitoring. To achieve this a massive magnet is required and there's only one firm which has managed to do it. That's ATC with its 'SuperDome.' Various people have tried to incorporate these into monitors—some of which have been an unmitigated disaster—but we're now satisfied with our own design which we used at the extensive re-fit by Windmill Lane, Dublin. But it so happens that we've used a design by Roger Quedsted for Townhouse Three."

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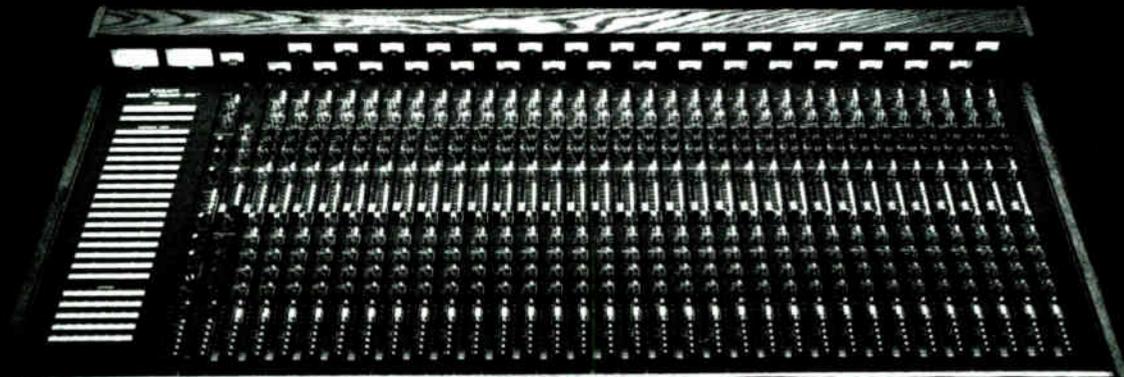
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crossover in each of the Qusted cabinets, and Munro is a great believer in the tri-amping technique used in the system. "It's transformerless, which reduces signal delays and subsequent phase shifts. The Yamaha amp also has a very high slewing rate—the ability to switch large signals quickly—which is very important for high frequencies."

What about the suggestion that monitoring systems should be operated "flat," with colorations compensated by tuning of the room acoustics? "All monitor systems are EQ'ed," retorts Munro, rather dismissively. "Even Urei cabinets have corrections to the frequency response inside." Townhouse Three is among the majority of studios with graphics in the monitor chain, although very little correction is used in practice. "An EQ should be used to tune the electronics, not the room," he asserts.

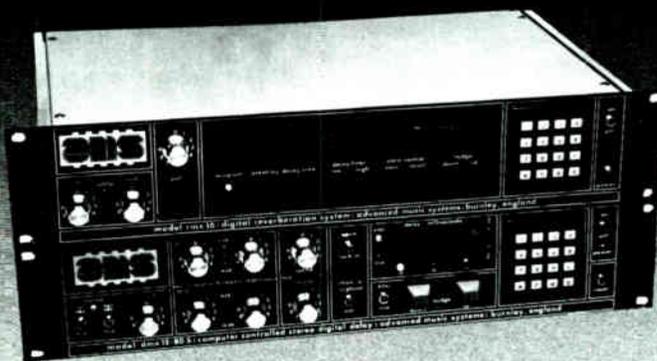
In fact Munro is particularly proud of the control he has over the final sound in his work. He uses an Ivey IE30A analyzer which has the usual frequency spectrum facilities but also a computer-controlled snare pulse with a programmable time offset for the return sound analysis. This means you can look at snapshots of the room response throughout the reverb decay period, among other things. It's a system that hinges on theory first postulated in 1956 by Munro's mentor, the distinguished academic Richard Heyser.

"We understand the artistic requirements of clients, as do a number of acousticians. But we are then able to apply a fair amount of scientific theory to the problems, which most are unable to do," he claims. While some may have acquired the experience to know when a particular technique produces a certain result, they may not know why. This is fine, until something different is required or a non-standard environment is encountered, according to Munro. "Once again, we treat each room individually, as I believe you must do," he adds.

It seems more than likely that Turnkey Two will steam on into a commercially bright future—but what's in store for the rest of us in the field? "I think the next development will be in the understanding of psycho-acoustics," Munro reflects. "We know for instance that both two-channel stereo and especially surround-sound work well, and have theories about phase differences, first reflections, delays, and so on.

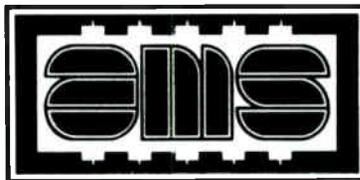
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however, Fogerty says he thinks eventually people will get tired of hearing the exact same snare sound, for example, throughout an entire song—that drum machines may just go the way of the wah-wah of the late '60s.

When describing his own drumming ability, Fogerty freely admits with characteristic honesty that, "I'm only 60 percent there." This triggers his animated fondness for drummer idols Gene Krupa and Al Jackson. The plain round table in front of us becomes a circle of toms and snares as he patters away excitedly, eyes closed, a smile on his lips.

Inevitably, the question arises, "Why not just use a real drummer—or a real band for that matter? God knows, with synthesizers nipping at their heels, they could use the work." He nods that he just might use a combination of his own stuff and tracks from another drummer in the future. But while Fogerty is sincerely generous in recognizing and appreciating other musicians' styles, he is also an autocrat. It is clear from his precise methodology in constructing this album that he hears the song in his head and it's just plain easier for him to do it all himself, rather than try to explain it to other musicians

or producers. It is perhaps the flip-side of this absolutism that has prevented him from making records all these years. If he didn't hear it, he wasn't going to fake it.

Flash: Los Angeles Calling

Before he poses for some photographs, a quick phone call from Warner Bros. confirms that the single, "Old Man Down the Road" is charting in next week's *Radio and Records*. "Number 35. That's my number on the CHR charts," he reports two days after the album is released. Ten years ago he told *Melody Maker*, "When you narrow it down, it's the excitement of making a hit single. I think that's the center of the whole thing for me. . . . The album to me is just a place you put all your hit singles." Today he is excited but composed. "I just happen to have read that recently because for the first time in 12 years I've had the courage to drag out my old scrap book and look at it. I never really wanted to go into it before because I would just choke. 'Oh. . . what have you been *doing* for eight years?' But we pulled that out and read it and I still agree with it pretty much. To say it the same way, a hit single, that's the ultimate. I grew up weaned on hit singles. That's what we

heard; that's what we had. It was either rock and roll or rhythm and blues, and they were hits. Duane Eddy didn't get to make an *album*—he made six hit singles, then they made an album out of it. Now, I think three singles from a record is fine. I have a nagging suspicion about bleeding an album to death, and I'm not sure why. I think it's because by the time you've gotten to the fifth single, the album's been out more than a year. You may sell another million copies—that is 'profit,' but I think the feedback, or backlash is that you've been around with that same thing so long everybody's really sick of it."

Asked about his plans for releasing more records, Fogerty estimates he'll be putting out an album every year or so. "I may hit it a little faster than that. Creedence always did. I really believe in giving people music. If you've got it, give it to them." Fogerty's understandably happy about getting it back, and about getting it together at The Plant for this album. Meanwhile, Jeffrey Norman came away a little changed from the experience. Recently, he was spotted walking down the main street in Sausalito, California with three Duane Eddy albums under his arm. ■

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we've mixed the 7", I sit there fiddling with delay lines, sampling bits of the record and spewing it back out, mixing ten or fifteen second segments as ad libs. I'll fill up two rolls of tape and piece them together. It's very much like a *musique concrete* sort of thing, or collages. I'll fly something in from one part of a song by sampling it and then dropping it into another part." Rushent also "flies" sounds, melodic fragments and entire rhythms from other artists' disks. "I've nicked the drum sound from David Bowie's *Let's Dance* on several occasions," he admits mischievously.

The *League Unlimited Orchestra* and the "Fascination" 12" disks by The Human League, and the 12" disks by Intaferon, are complete departures from acoustic reality, sounding something like Stockhausen with a beat. "I think if you took away the bass and drums you'd be left with some pretty weird stuff," Rushent agrees.

If there's one element of the punk ethos left in Rushent's work, it's the belief that anyone can do it—at least anyone with access to a \$50,000-plus computer music system. "The computer synthesizers are great levelers as far as technical ability," claims Rushent. "These machines give a good ideas-man a shot. I *don't* mean that any Herbert can walk up

to one of these synthesizers and make great sounds and music. But if you've got good ideas, you can make them sound good."

With all this technology, with this burning desire for perfecting the beat, one might wonder why Rushent produced a group as basic, non-technical and certainly non-computerized as The Go-Gos. It was obviously a chance to do something different, but it also proved a point: that there is no "Rushent Sound."

"A producer's work should be transparent," he professes. "I don't like the way some groups are used as puppets for producers." This seems contradictory to Rushent's pleasure in being asked by a group like The Human League to "please make our record for us and let us know when we can sing," but he sees both methods as collaborations. His presence on The Go-Gos *Talk Show* is subtle, supportive and non-intrusive—he didn't even use electronic drums. Well, almost! "As far as the drums went," says Rushent, "in order to keep us tight we programmed in the drums as a guide and played along with them."

You can still see Rushent's drive for perfection, the narcotic of the computer junkie. Rushent's new drug is the Synclavier II. His only regret is that he

doesn't have enough time to experiment and study its full potential, so he's hired someone full-time to do that for him at Genetic. In fact, Studio Two is built around his Synclavier, along with a Fairlight CMI, PPG Wave 2.2, Yamaha DX7, Jupiter 800, Jupiter 8, LinnDrums, Simmons drums, and various Korgs. They all go through an MCI 500 Series console "that we've hot-rodged through the roof" and into an MCI 24 track machine.

(For those who like their recordings more basic, Studio One contains two Otari 24 track decks, a 48 track Solid State Logic desk, MCI and Ampex ½" and ¼" machines, and "every signal processing device you can think of.")

Rushent is looking to the days when an entire studio can exist in a single Synclavier II. "You could have a backing track that consists of sampled sounds, re-synthesized sounds, and conventional digital synthesizer sounds, that has never been a piece of tape. You can put the vocals on directly into the machine, mix and edit." Eventually you'll just transmit the whole record down phone lines to the pressing plant.

But for the moment, Rushent is content with his current Genetic set-up. It's my Starship Enterprise," he says blissfully. "You get inside and time's gone." ■

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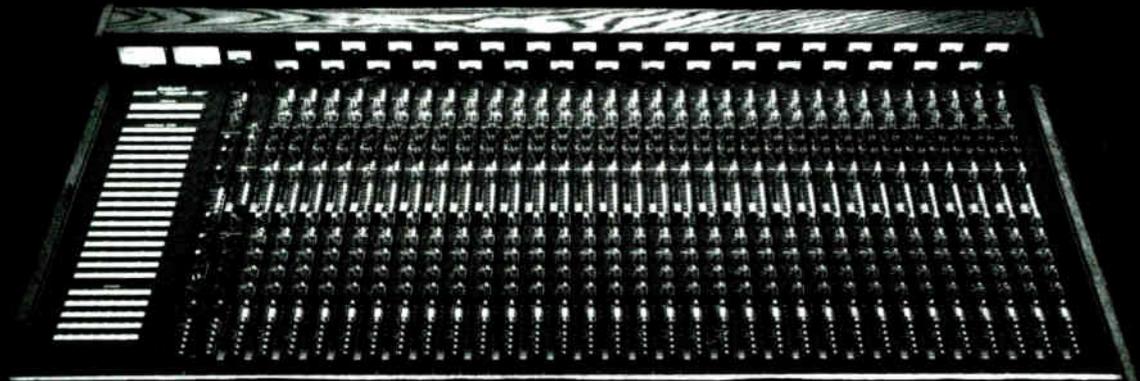
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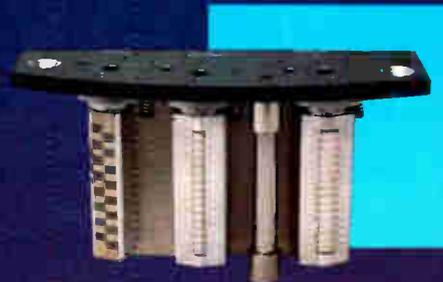
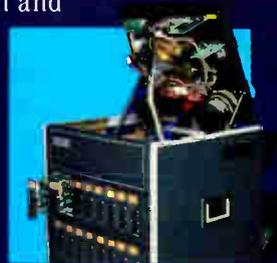
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