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Posted by excelav on Sat, 07 Jan 2006 21:51:02 GMT
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Posted by Deej [1] on Sun, 08 Jan 2006 07:32:38 GMT
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Posted by rick on Sun, 08 Jan 2006 12:33:17 GMT
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Posted by TC on Sun, 08 Jan 2006 22:13:54 GMT
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I was actually looking at the new M-Audio controller/interface, which is sort of a hybrid between the Mackie Control and the Tascam.. it doesn't have a mixer mode though like the Tascam 1884, or as many midi i/o ports but it seems pretty cool.

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>>console, but having the scribble tape on you meter bridge, and off the
the
>>right. Better than nothing, but not as good as tape below each channel.
>> It also eats up desktop space. I suspect I won't even download this app.
>>
>>-Chris

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>
>Might as well try it, it may be improved.
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>>"Jon Jiles" <nope@nono.com> wrote:
>>>
>>>Guys - FYI -
>>>
>>>Looks like Tascam has addressed the scribble strip issue:
>>>
>>>"New! SoftLCD displays 24 channels of data sent by your DAW app on your
>>computer
>>>monitor just like a giant hardware scribble strip."
>>>
>>>Looks like a free download. Check it out!!!
>>>
>>>"http://www.tascam.com/Products/US-2400.html"
>>>
>>>Cheers,
>>>Jon
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>>>"Chris Wargo" <na@na.na> wrote:
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>>>>Deej, Comments below:
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>>>>"DJ" <animix_spam-this-ahole_@animas.net> wrote:
>>>>>Chris,
>>>>>
>>>>>Let us know how you like this please. The only thing that's giving me
>>second
>>>>>thoughts is that it doesn't have an LCD display.
>>>>
>>>>That was one of the deal breakers for me on the tascam firewire interface
>>>>that I owned for a week or two. I think that it is a much bigger deal
>>though
>>>>if you are only using 8 faders and flipping around all the time. I almost
>>>>never go over 24 audio tracks in my projects. I figure that I will make
>>>>a default project (I'm using Cubase SL)with 24 tracks of audio and virtual
>>>>instruments from 25+. I suspect that I will work the same way I did
when
>>>>I was doing analog or Paris, where most of my basic tracks will always
>>be
>>>>in the same place. If I want to grab the lead vocal, it's always on
track
>>>>16, etc. A flip of the bank button and I will be working on my midi/vsti
>>>>tracks. I think I can live without the LCD's this way. I'll probably

>>end
>>>>up using some masking/drafting tape too.
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>>>>>Is there a specific Cubase SX driver for the Tascam controller or does
>>>it
>>>>>use HUI mode?
>>>>
>>>>It works in Mackie universal controler mode, Hui mode, or general midi
>>controller
>>>>mode. The latest update claims improve functionality for cubase/nuendo,
>>>>but I can't find more info about it. From what I can tell, the latest
>>manual
>>>>has the info and that isn't the manual that they have on line. If you
>>hold
>>>>the F5 key during boot on the unit, it puts it into a custom Cubase/Mackie
>>>>Control mode with keys and key combos customed mapped for that software.
>>>>
>>>>>What is is about the Mackie controller that you don't like (other than
>>>>>having only 8 faders)?
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>>>>I can't say that I have any complaints. In fact, there will be some
tradeoffs
>>>>going for the 24 faders. The Mackie has the scribble strips. It has
>more
>>>>buttons that are readily availible and labled (without doing funky stuff
>>>>like remembering key combos (shift/F2, alt/stop etc). It also had a weighted
>>>>flywheel, which the tascam doesn't. If money weren't an option, I think
>>>>I'd be better off with the Mackie and two extenders. When I bought the
>>>Mackie,
>>>>the US2400 had just come out but was selling around $2000. It was worth
>>>>it to me to pay $2800 down the road for three Mackies over $2000 for
the
>>>>Tascam.
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>>>>Now the price is too good not to go for the US2400. Dang compromises....
>>>>;-)
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>>>>I'll share my findings with the group when I get it going. I need to
>upgrade
>>>>to SL3 from SL1 though before I can put it through the paces. Multiple
>>>mackie
>>>>control (which is how this works) is only supported after SL/SX 2.2.

>I'll
>>>>order that tomorrow.
>>>>
>>>>-Chris

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>>>>>Deej
>>>>>
>>>>>"Chris Wargo" <na@na.na> wrote in message news:43c12da2$1@linux...
>>>>>>
>>>>>> I just ordered one from 8thstreet. Thanks James. Anyone want to buy
>>>a
>>>>>Mackie
>>>>>> universal control?
>>>>>>
>>>>>> -Chris
>>>>>>
>>>>>> rick <parnell68@hotmail.com> wrote:
>>>>>> >hey boots,
>>>>>> >
>>>>>> >probably getting ready for the post xmas poverty that the gearheads
>>>>>> >enjoy this time each year.
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>>>>>> >On Sun, 8 Jan 2006 00:32:38 -0700, "DJ"
>>>>>> ><animix_spam-this-ahole_@animas.net> wrote:
>>>>>> >
>>>>>> >>Yikes!!!! That's cheap. Now I wonder if they're getting ready to
>>>>>discontinue
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>>>>>> >>news:43c029b6$1@linux...
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Posted by TCB on Mon, 09 Jan 2006 01:12:19 GMT
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That's a little tempting for me to pair up with an M-Audio fader/knob box
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seem to really do that terrible well. The Houston I had was OK but not much
better than that. Hmmmm . . . .

TCB

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