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Posted by [Jamie K](#) on Fri, 23 Feb 2007 04:25:54 GMT

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>>>>> Neil wrote:  
>>>>>> The pre's in those Lexi boxes are "OK", nothing special...  
>>>>>> I suggested it to DeeJ for an audio scratchpad setup for his  
>>>>>> wife, and it'd be perfect for that, PLUS YOU GET A KILLER  
>>>>>> REVERB!  
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>>>>>> :)  
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>>>>>> But for v/o work, methinks you'd be better off with a nice  
>>>>>> channel strip. I agree with Dedric that the Bluebird is a DAMN  
>>>>>> nice mic for under a grand - haven't tried it yet on female  
>>>>>> voice, but I have a feeling it would be great for that.  
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>>>>>> Neil  
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>>>>>> Dedric Terry wrote:  
>>>>>> Jamie,  
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>>>>>> I recently spec'd a VO system for a friend in the western part of  
>>>>>> the  
>>>>>> state  
>>>>>> in a similar situation - looking for good quality but not overkill -  
>>>> I'm  
>>>>>> going with the TC Konnekt 8 for him as it's pres have gotten  
>>>>>> great reviews  
>>>>>> (haven't heard it yet, so take that for what its' worth - in that  
>>>>>> price  
>>>>>> range it probably is the best of the bunch).  
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>>>>>> For a mic, the Blue Bluebird is a great mic for VO - nice even,  
>>>>>> clear  
>>>>>> response across the board - smooth highs too which isn't common

>>>>>>> in sub-\$1k  
>>>>>>> mics.  
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>>>>>>> Regards,  
>>>>>>> Dedric  
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>>>>>>> On 2/22/07 9:25 PM, in article 45de6ce4\$1@linux, "Jamie K"  
>>>>>>> <Meta@Dimensional.com> wrote:  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>> My wife needs to get an audio interface/mic pre and a mic for voice  
>>>> over  
>>>>>>>> work (she does radio/TV spots and such). It will be connected to a  
>>>> G4  
>>>>>>>> iBook, so it can be USB or Firewire.  
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>>>>>>>> I would suggest one of the MOTU firewire interfaces since I've had  
>>>> good  
>>>>>>>> experiences with MOTU. But she only really needs one channel so  
>>>>>>>> those  
>>>>>>>> would be buying more than she needs.  
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>>>>>>>> This was mentioned here recently, is it decent?  
>>>>>>>> <http://www.sweetwater.com/store/detail/Lambda/>  
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>>>>>>>> Any other suggestions?  
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>>>>>>>> Cheers,  
>>>>>>>> -Jamie  
>>>>>>>> [www.JamieKrutz.com](http://www.JamieKrutz.com)  
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