
Subject: Thanks to group - Some of my Paris tunes
Posted by [Miguel Vigil \[1\]](#) on Mon, 28 Jan 2008 03:10:13 GMT
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Hey all, I hung out here quite a bit many years back when I was building my project studio and learning to record/mix using Paris. I unfortunately burned out pretty badly during the recording/mixing phase - and I don't think I ever did get back here to say thanks to everybody who did the hand-holding to help me learn what I was doing.

I don't know why I burned-out like I did, but I think it just came from spending every free moment after my day job working on mixes

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