Subject: OT: External Sata drives and pci cards for Mac G4 Posted by rick on Thu, 05 Jan 2006 10:28:02 GMT

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Subject: Re: External Sata drives and pci cards for Mac G4 Posted by Deej [1] on Thu, 05 Jan 2006 17:10:32 GMT

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t;>He wants it to be good, but affordability is a concern. He was
>>>looking
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>>>a
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>>>>a presonus digimax LT, but I saw that Aaron had some experience with
>>>>those
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>>>>>and wasn't that hot on them.
>>>>> Right now his chain is a Mackie 1402 vlz into the Digi 002.
>>>>>Any suggestions?
>>>>>TIA
>>>>Rod
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their products, not to say they don
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Subject: Re: External Sata drives and pci cards for Mac G4 Posted by rick on Thu, 05 Jan 2006 21:37:33 GMT

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f="mailto:1@linux..." target="_blank">1@linux...
>>> >
>>> > With Mackie, it's always marketing hype. Mackie has been known to
>>> > over
>>> > hype
>>> > their products, not to say they don't make reasonably good stuff.
>>Always
>>> > use your own ears. I remember reading somewhere on Gearslutz where
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>>> > somebody
>>> > was taking their Onyx Mixer back because the mic pres were too shrill
>>> > harsh. Of course every bodies got different ears, so listen for
>>vourself!
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>>> > John <no@no.com> wrote:
>>> >>so what will their next pres be? Even better, and then they'll have
> to
>>> >
>>> >>come up with some adjectives to describe what is wrong with the
>>> >>Onyx's.
>>> >
>>> >> I loves audio!
>>> >>
>>> >>Tony Benson wrote:
>>> >>> From what I've heard, the Onyx pre's are a pretty big step up from
> the
>>> >
>>> >>> VLZpro. I've had non-VLZ, VLZ, and VLZpro Mackie boards, and though
>>the
>>> >
>>> >>> VLZpro pre's where much better,
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Subject: Re: External Sata drives and pci cards for Mac G4 Posted by Deej [1] on Fri, 06 Jan 2006 02:26:31 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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is.Hadn't thought of
> it that way,but I'm probably thinking more reality vibe.
> Yeah,I played an Oasys the other day.Nice board,but 8k I don't
> think so;)
>
> Pete
>
"DJ" <animix_spam-this-ahole_@animas.net> wrote:
> >If you're looking for reality instead of synthesis, go soft all the way.
> Get
> >you a good controller and build yourself a moose of a comp to stream samples
> >or if you need portability get the thingie that plays them out of a box
> >(forget the name)....or you could drop $8k and get yourself a Korg Oasys.
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>>"Pete Ruthenburg" <ruthenburg@sbcglobal.net> wrote in message
> >news:43bdc14e$1@linux...
> >>
>>> So I'm looking to get a new synth in here.Pretty slim synth
> >> collection-Kurz PC2X and 2500 rack, D50. I'm looking at the Yamaha
>>> motifs,but a buddy was telling me I should go soft synth.I'm not
> >> currently running DAW with audio/midi and was thinking of getting
>>> into the SX thing.
>>> I haven't gotten into the soft synth thing at all so I'm a
> >> little hesitant having to go the new dedicated comp,software,vsti
>>> route compared to a hardware synth I can turn on and make noise
> >> with.
>>> However,I can see the benefit of going that route with software
>>> that will continually be updated as opposed to a hard synth that
>>> will be worth whatever in a couple of years.
> >>
>>> Any advice appreciated,
> >> Pete
> >
>Ain't that *special file* thing cool? I love being able to just skip the
whole dither step.
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Subject: Re: External Sata drives and pci cards for Mac G4 Posted by Aaron Allen on Fri, 06 Jan 2006 05:12:26 GMT

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Doesn't Sonnet make one? Seems a safe bet since they have had a history with Mac/Mac upgrades.

Check out newegg.com for the RAID controller.

AA

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"rick" <parnell68@hotmail.com> wrote in message news:s3tpr1lk8vmphfgn3jf4c7c8cdn9jt06a4@4ax.com... > opinions???

Subject: Re: External Sata drives and pci cards for Mac G4 Posted by Deej [1] on Fri, 06 Jan 2006 06:21:48 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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Subject: Re: External Sata drives and pci cards for Mac G4 Posted by excelar on Fri, 06 Jan 2006 07:15:27 GMT

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I agree, that totally sucks. I have an iBook that had some problems, one may have been self-inflicted. Anyways they replaced every thing that was wrong at no expense to me. I even had a stuck pixel, they where going to replace the screen, I told them not to worry about it. By the way the pixel is working now. I should also tell you that I got the extended warranty, worth every penny.

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I won't buy any new, untested products. I won't consider buying one of the new intel macs for 6 months to a year. There is going to be some problems with them, you can count on it.

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Subject: Re: External Sata drives and pci cards for Mac G4 Posted by rick on Fri, 06 Jan 2006 10:27:12 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

On 6 Jan 2006 19:20:52 +1000, "James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:

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they did replace the mobo x2, the cpus, and boot drive.

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i asked several times, they refused but did want to duplicate my studio instead.

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it's fine for the RME interfaces but not so good for the drives. those are kept on the 400 connection.

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i did talk to my attorney but at the time a solo shot was considered a waste of time. kinda like when the apc unit failed when the power company workers tur;ned the power on and off 8 times in a couple of seconds and blew out several thousands of dollars of gear and computers. they reasoned that the surge came in through a "back door" by gear not on the protection circuit. fine but, the only gear affected was the stuff on the apc.

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nobody said it was a hybrid, it was just a g4 sold before the rumored g5 was to come out in a few months...that turned out to be less than a week.

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