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Posted by [Tom Bruhl](#) on Tue, 23 Oct 2007 03:53:55 GMT

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3GB switch info:

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http://searchwincomputing.techtarget.com/tip/0,289483,sid68_gci1108831,00=

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<http://forum.cubase.net/phpbb2/viewtopic.php?t=3D78120&p ostdays=3D0&posto=rder=3Dasc&start=3D0>

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For 24 Analog I/O at 96KHz, you're looking at quite a cash outlay = unless you go with firewire. A dedicated PCI or PCIe FW card and 3 x of = these might get you there at a good price though:

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[http://www.musiciansfriend.com/product/PreSonus-Firepod-Fire Wire-Interface-with-Cubase-LE?sku=3D184131](http://www.musiciansfriend.com/product/PreSonus-Firepod-Fire-Wire-Interface-with-Cubase-LE?sku=3D184131)

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Regards,
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Posted by [LaMontt](#) on Tue, 23 Oct 2007 05:02:16 GMT

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Hi Tom,

You stole my choice, the Motu 24i/o. I've used this card and i/o device with DP and Logic audio. To me, it's the best sound unit Motu makes and it's been around since 2001.

Can't say enough good things about it. The price is right. The analog i/o

is more than right.

Another choice would be to get a Mackie Oxyx 1640/with Firewire option. With the 1640 you are killing several stones at once:

<http://www.mackie.com/products/onyx1640/>

-16 very good mic pres that can hold it's own with a lot of top dollar so called boutique pres

-Zero latency monitoring!! (Hey It's a true analog mixer)

-Talk back

-96kHz FireWire option for streaming 18 independent channels of audio to computer with near-zero latency .

-Balanced direct outs for every channel via DB-25 connections

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-Drivers for Windows and OSx

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Deej,

Regarding the PreSonus FirePod:

I don't need pres at all. The price is about the same as the Motu.

Not sure the quality would be all that much better for about the same = money.

Too much circuitry getting in the way there I think from my higher end = pres.

I guess I really want pristine audio in a converter. Maybe I should = bite the bullet

and get the Aurora or Apogee. Maybe an outboard PerSonas for the last 8 = to go=20

into my Scope ADAT in. Problem is PCI and PCIe slots are hard to come = by

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Maybe a new Magma is also in store for me? No, too much \$ for my client = base.

I am trying to cut back in general. Firewire (I've heard Chris say it's = often trouble?)

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I'll get a better deal than that but still. Ouch.

Thanks for the heads up. =20
Tom

Now watch out for those Red Sox!

"Detric Terry" <dterry@keyofd.net> wrote in message = news:C342D0A1.DDA9%dterry@keyofd.net...

Tom - the MOTU units do have more I/O options than anyone else, but = the converters supposedly aren't up to the level of other units - = probably not bad though. Another option, if you don't mind putting a = little more into it would be to go with an RME HDSP Digiface (PCIe) and = 3-lightpipe ADDAs (RME ADI8s, Aurora, Apogee, etc) - that would give you = 24 in and out.

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Hi LaMont,

How would you say the converters in the Motu stack up to Aurora, Apogee and PreSonus? I'd guess closer to PreSonus than the others right? they're priced similarly.

The Mackie mixer footprint is about the last thing I want in the studio these days. I don't need the pres either. Won't the software mixers get my cue mixes going ok without latency? Remember I'll be using Cubase 4.0? and Scope 4.5 as the front end here.

I'm still a little gray on the routing setups here but as I understand = it, the cue mixes are setup with these soft apps that give you a virtual mixer for = phones while tracking right? Real-time effects are coming from outboard gear = only unless you have a screaming machine right? This is possible or do I 'have to = have' a hardware mixer to do the traditional basics or overdub session now?

I look forward to your answer!

Tom

"LaMont" <jjdpro@gmail.com> wrote in message news:471d8058\$1@linux...

Hi Tom,=20

You stole my choice, the Motu 24i/o. I've used this card and i/o = device with

DP and Logic audio. To me, it's the best sound unit Motu makes and = it's been

around since 2001.=20

Can't say enough good things about it. The price is right. The analog = i/o

is more than right.=20

Another choice would be to get a Mackie Oxyx 1640/with Firewire = option. With the 1640 you are killing several stones at once:

<http://www.mackie.com/products/onyx1640/>
-16 very good mic pres that can hold it's own with a lot of top dollar = so called boutique pres

-Zero latency monitoring!! (Hey It's a true analog mixer)

-Talk back=20

-96kHz FireWire option for streaming 18 independent channels of audio = to computer with near-zero latency .

-Balanced direct outs for every channel via DB-25 connections=20

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I look forward to your answer!

Tom

LaMont <jjdpro@gmail.com> wrote in message

[news:471d8058\\$1@linux](news:471d8058$1@linux)...
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You stole my choice, the Motu 24i/o. I've used this card and device with DP and Logic audio. To me, it's the best sound unit Motu makes and it's been around since 2001. Can't say enough good things about it. The price is right. The analog i/o is more than right. Another choice would be to get a Mackie Oxyx 1640/with Firewire option. With the 1640 you are killing several stones at once:

<http://www.mackie.com/products/onyx1640/>-16 very good mic pres that can hold it's own with a lot of top dollar so-called boutique pres-Zero latency monitoring!! (Hey It's a true analog mixer)-Talk back -96kHz FireWire option for streaming 18 independent channels of audio to computer with near-zero latency

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<http://www.mackie.com/products/onyxfirewire/>-Drivers for Windows and OSx

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Posted by [Neil](#) on Tue, 23 Oct 2007 06:25:09 GMT

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Posted by [Tom Bruhl](#) on Tue, 23 Oct 2007 06:38:34 GMT

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Posted by [Neil](#) on Tue, 23 Oct 2007 07:09:47 GMT

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Keep in mind that if you only have two PCI slots, you WILL (note that I didn't say: "MAY") have to make a choice between using a Scope front end and something else. Unless the Scopestuff will give you the #'s of inputs you need even with other external conversion boxes going to lightpipe Scope in's, you must remember that in Cubase (or I imagine any other app) you HAVE to select one Master ASIO driver! If you have two Multiface PCI cards, you can select or default to the RME driver & you'll be able to record & playback through BOTH Multifacsia, if you have a Scope & something else (MOTU/Apogee/RME/Whatever), then your i/o's are limited to what can be selected on that ONE card/interface.

If you like the Scope for synths or summing, you'd be better off setting that up in a secondary rig and using your primary PC for two interfaces of the same type so that your i/o count is maximized... in your case, anyway, based on what I think you're trying to achieve.

Neil

"Tom Bruhl" <arpeggio@comcast.net> wrote:

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>Hey Neil,
>Lots of info here. I wasn't shopping for pres at all but if they're
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Chris Ludwig could probably set you up with this stuff at a good =
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Posted by [rick](#) on Tue, 23 Oct 2007 08:42:54 GMT

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On Mon, 22 Oct 2007 22:11:45 -0600, Dedric Terry <dterry@keyofd.net> wrote:

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>would be to go with an RME HDSP Digiface (PCIe) and 3-lightpipe ADDAs (RME
>ADI8s, Aurora, Apogee, etc) - that would give you 24 in and out.

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>Firewire is another option, but PCI/PCIe should give you better bandwidth
>for higher I/O, though firewire may be fine with 24 in and out.

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>Regards,

>Dedric

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>On 10/22/07 9:53 PM, in article 471d719c@linux, "Tom Bruhl"

><arpeggio@comcast.net> wrote:

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for consumer use i'd say the 24 i/o is fine...and yes i have one here.
both paris and the rme's kick it's ass in clarity and stereo field and
depth...afaik

On Tue, 23 Oct 2007 01:49:11 -0400, "Tom Bruhl" <arpeggio@comcast.net>
wrote:

>Hi LaMont,

>How would you say the converters in the Motu stack up to
>Aurora, Apogee and PreSonus? I'd guess closer to PreSonus
>than the others right? they're priced similarly.

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>The Mackie mixer footprint is about the last thing I want in the
>studio these days. I don't need the pres either. Won't the software
>mixers get my cue mixes going ok without latency? Remember I'll
>be using Cubase 4.0? and Scope 4.5 as the front end here.

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>I'm still a little gray on the routing setups here but as I understand it, the cue
>mixes are setup with these soft apps that give you a virtual mixer for phones
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> Another choice would be to get a Mackie Oxyx 1640/with Firewire option. With
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> -16 very good mic pres that can hold it's own with a lot of top dollar so
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Posted by [Tom Bruhl](#) on Tue, 23 Oct 2007 17:23:10 GMT

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Dave,

I am leaning in this direction but PCI slots are scarce.=20

There's no way to get two audio card's (RME and Scope)ins/outs to show up in Cubase and work together?

Tom

"EK Sound" <ask_me@nospam.net> wrote in message news:471e2d67@linux...

I will echo the RME suggestion... just plain works, and sounds great.

David.

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Posted by [LaMont](#) on Tue, 23 Oct 2007 18:08:11 GMT

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Hi Tom,

As for the sound quality of the Motu 24/io is fabulous. Don;t let price fool you into thinking it's inferior. It's not. The 24/io has massive headroom. Coupled with the PCI-424 card. A very warm, tight focused sound..

As for the Cue mix setup. We did not use, as we had a Mackie 3208 to do all of the outboard routing. Sorry.

if you read mypost(s), i'm not a fan of software mixers.Except(Paris & Pro-Tools). Too much, not like a real studio feel to those soft-mixers.. However, I do know that Motu's Cue mix is a lot easier than RmE's

"Tom Bruhl" <arpeggio@comcast.net> wrote:

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>How would you say the converters in the Motu stack up to
>Aurora, Apogee and PreSonus? I'd guess closer to PreSonus
>than the others right? they're priced similarly.
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>The Mackie mixer footprint is about the last thing I want in the
>studio these days. I don't need the pres either. Won't the software

>mixers get my cue mixes going ok without latency? Remember I'll
>be using Cubase 4.0? and Scope 4.5 as the front end here.
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>I'm still a little gray on the routing setups here but as I understand =
>it, the cue
>mixes are setup with these soft apps that give you a virtual mixer for =
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>while tracking right? Real-time effects are coming from outboard gear =
>only unless
>you have a screaming machine right? This is possible or do I 'have to =
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>a hardware mixer to do the traditional basics or overdub session now?
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> Another choice would be to get a Mackie Oxyx 1640/with Firewire =
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Hi

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You stole my choice, the Motu 24i/o. I've used this card and =

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> device with
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>Motu makes=20

> and it's been
around since 2001.

Can't say enough good =

>things about=20

> it. The price is right. The analog i/o
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Another=20

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> very good mic pres that can hold it's own with a lot of top dollar=20

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-Zero latency monitoring!! (Hey =

>It'sa true=20

> analog mixer)

-Talk back

-96kHz FireWire option for =

>streaming=20

> 18 independent channels of audio to
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-Balanced direct outs for every channel via DB-25 connections

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Subject: Re: Paris is mostly gone and Cubase is the new mothership. Help me buy stuff.

Posted by [Tom Bruhl](#) on Tue, 23 Oct 2007 18:10:16 GMT

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That makes sense to me. Odd huh?

If the stand alones are just that I could spend bigger money and get Apogeos instead right? Waste of \$ for me probably.

"EK Sound" <ask_me@nosspam.net> wrote in message = news:471e31b1\$1@linux...

You can use multiple RME cards as long as they use the same driver...=20 but different brands, no. You could run an RME HDSP9652 and an HDSP = PCI=20

(host for Multiface) together because they use the same driver.

The PCI/Multiface option is a good one, because you could get 2 PCI=20 cards and 4 Multifaces'. Run 2 of the Multifaces' connected directly = to=20

the PCI card, and run the other 2 in stand alone mode connected to the =

adat optical input of the first 2. Note, this would limit you to 48K = on=20

all 32 inputs, or 96K with the 16 MF inputs for the units connected=20 directly to the PCI cards.

Clear as mud? ;-)

David.

Tom Bruhl wrote:

> Dave,
> I am leaning in this direction but PCI slots are scarce.=20
> =20
> There's no way to get two audio card's (RME and Scope)ins/outs
> to show up in Cubase and work together?
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> Tom
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> "EK Sound" <ask_me@nospam.net <mailto:ask_me@nospam.net>> wrote =
in
> message news:471e2d67@linux...
> I will echo the RME suggestion... just plain works, and sounds =
great.
> =20
> David.
> =20
> Neil wrote:
> =20
> > OOOoooOOH! Another "help me spend my money" thread - I LOVE
> > these! lol
> >
> > OK, but in all seriousness, I'm really sorry your rig has =
gone
> > belly-up... I'm not familiar with some of the gear you're
> > talking about, but I can tell you something affordable AND
> > high-quality, and that's basically my i/o rig which is as
> > follows:
> >
> > 2x RME Multifaces - these are fucking clean as hell and if =
you
> > don't like the sound of the convertors, then you're not =
really
> > looking for "pristine", I can tellya that. Pick 'em up used =
or
> > new, they're out there in both worlds. I would recommend =
buying
> > new PCI cards, since there are probably some older ones that
> > have a power mod issue if you buy them used.
> > =20

> > *** Two Multifascia will give you 16 analog in's & either
> > 12 or 20 digital in's, total - depending on your
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Posted by [EK Sound](#) on Tue, 23 Oct 2007 18:29:18 GMT

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I would say you *might* hear a difference... but probably not worth the extra stash. For that matter, you could use any line level to adat converter box for different flavour... Focusrite, Presonus, etc.

David.

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> The PCI/Multiface option is a good one, because you could get 2 PCI

> cards and 4 Multifaces'. Run 2 of the Multifaces' connected

> directly to

> the PCI card, and run the other 2 in stand alone mode connected to the

> adat optical input of the first 2. Note, this would limit you to

> 48K on

> all 32 inputs, or 96K with the 16 MF inputs for the units connected

> directly to the PCI cards.

>

> Clear as mud? ;-)

>

> David.

>

> Tom Bruhl wrote:

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> > Dave,

> > I am leaning in this direction but PCI slots are scarce.

>

> > There's no way to get two audio card's (RME and Scope)ins/outs

> > to show up in Cubase and work together?

>

> > Tom

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> > "EK Sound" <ask_me@nospam.net <mailto:ask_me@nospam.net>
> <mailto:ask_me@nospam.net>> wrote in
> > message news:471e2d67@linux...
> > I will echo the RME suggestion... just plain works, and
> sounds great.
> >
> > David.
> >
> > Neil wrote:
> >
> > > OOOoooOOH! Another "help me spend my money" thread - I LOVE
> > > these! lol
> > >
> > > OK, but in all seriousness, I'm really sorry your rig has gone
> > > belly-up... I'm not familiar with some of the gear you're
> > > talking about, but I can tell you something affordable AND
> > > high-quality, and that's basically my i/o rig which is as
> > > follows:
> > >
> > > 2x RME Multifaces - these are fucking clean as hell and if you
> > > don't like the sound of the convertors, then you're not really
> > > looking for "pristine", I can tellya that. Pick 'em up used or
> > > new, they're out there in both worlds. I would recommend
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Subject: Re: Paris is mostly gone and Cubase is the new mothership. Help me buy stuff.

Posted by [TCB](#) on Tue, 23 Oct 2007 18:55:48 GMT

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I will note that the RME app is EXTREMELY easy to use and logical once one knows how to use it. It's like UNIX v. Windows. Windows is easy to learn and a pain to use, while UNIX is a pain to learn but incredibly easy to use. The RME mixer takes a little while to figure out but is extremely easy to use and very powerful.

TCB

"LaMont" <jjdpro@ameritech.net> wrote:

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>Hi Tom,

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>As for the sound quality of the Motu 24/io is fabulous. Don;t let price fool

>you into thinking it's inferior. It's not. The 24/io has massive headroom.

>Coupled with the PCI-424 card. A very warm, tight focused sound..

>

>As for the Cue mix setup. We did not use, as we had a Mackie 3208 to do all

>of the outboard routing. Sorry.

>

>if you read mypost(s), i'm not a fan of software mixers.Except(Paris & Pro-Tools).

>Too much, not like a real studio feel to those soft-mixers.. However, I do

>know that Motu's Cue mix is a lot easier than RmE's

>

>"Tom Bruhl" <arpeggio@comcast.net> wrote:

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>>Hi LaMont,

>>How would you say the converters in the Motu stack up to

>>Aurora, Apogee and PreSonus? I'd guess closer to PreSonus

>>than the others right? they're priced similarly.

>>

>>The Mackie mixer footprint is about the last thing I want in the

>>studio these days. I don't need the pres either. Won't the software

>>mixers get my cue mixes going ok without latency? Remember I'll

>>be using Cubase 4.0? and Scope 4.5 as the front end here.

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>>I'm still a little gray on the routing setups here but as I understand

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>>it, the cue

>>mixes are setup with these soft apps that give you a virtual mixer for

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>>phones

>>while tracking right? Real-time effects are coming from outboard gear

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>>only unless

>>you have a screaming machine right? This is possible or do I 'have to

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>>have'

>>a hardware mixer to do the traditional basics or overdub session now?

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>>I look forward to your answer!
>>Tom
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>> "LaMont" <jjdpro@gmail.com> wrote in message news:471d8058\$1@linux...
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>> Hi Tom,=20
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>> You stole my choice, the Motu 24i/o. I've used this card and i/o =
>>device with
>> DP and Logic audio. To me, it's the best sound unit Motu makes and =
>>it's been
>> around since 2001.=20
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>> Can't say enough good things about it. The price is right. The analog
>=
>>i/o
>> is more than right.=20
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>> Another choice would be to get a Mackie Oxyx 1640/with Firewire =
>>option. With
>> the 1640 you are killing several stones at once:
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>> <http://www.mackie.com/products/onyx1640/>
>> -16 very good mic pres that can hold it's own with a lot of top dollar
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>> called boutique pres
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>> -Zero latency monitoring!! (Hey It's a true analog mixer)
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>> "Tom Bruhl" <arpeggio@comcast.net> wrote:
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>> >I learned tonight that I have fried two new Mecs again.

>> >The EDS cards are all good. I hopefully can
>> >fix the mecs for resale with the chips I've bought.
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>> >I have what is probably a messed up Magma. Maybe fixed
>> >now that there's a new PS but I'm not sure and don't care
>> >anymore. It will be at least \$300 to ship/repair.
>> >I have possibly a messed up mobo or power supply=3D20
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>> >installed though. Not sure about this just yet.
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>> >The eds cards work fine with another Mec and 442 in another
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>> >My plan is to keep a two card system with 16 in and 16 out with an
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>> >I also need to up the analog ins in my Cubase rig to get it ready for
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>> >after all is said and done. I guess that the Apogee is also at least
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>> >Heres my Cubase rig as is:
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>> >-3 GB Ram (haven't ran the patch yet) Anyone got that with =3D
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>> >-7200 SATA Audio 16MB Cache 500GB
>> >-7200 SATA Sample sets 16MB cache 500GB
>> >-PCIe dual head graphics
>> >-1 PCI UAD-1 card=3D20
>> >-1x PCI Scope Pro Classic with 16 adat in/out, MIDI, 1 SPDIF in/out,
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>> >analog in/out
>> >- Frontier Tranzport USB
>> >-Wireless Mouse keyboard USB
>> >- Cubase dongle USB
>> >-backup audio drive USB
>> >-1 PCIe slot available
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Subject: Re: Paris is mostly gone and Cubase is the new mothership. Help me buy stuff.

Posted by [DJ](#) on Tue, 23 Oct 2007 22:45:32 GMT

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"EK Sound" <ask_me@nospam.net> wrote in message news:471e31b1\$1@linux...

> You can use multiple RME cards as long as they use the same driver... but
> different brands, no. You could run an RME HDSP9652 and an HDSP PCI (host
> for Multiface) together because they use the same driver.

>
> The PCI/Multiface option is a good one, because you could get 2 PCI cards
> and 4 Multifaces'. Run 2 of the Multifaces' connected directly to the PCI
> card, and run the other 2 in stand alone mode connected to the adat
> optical input of the first 2. Note, this would limit you to 48K on all 32
> inputs, or 96K with the 16 MF inputs for the units connected directly to
> the PCI cards.

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> Clear as mud? ;-)

>
> David.

In 96k mode, he would have an additional 4 x I/O on each standalone MF box if they were interfaced by ADAT as well (they would just halve the I/O) so he would have a total of 24 I/O or 96K. He just wouldn't have the active S/Pdif, sync or midi functionality on those two standalone boxes.

Right?

>
> Tom Bruhl wrote:

>
>> Dave,
>> I am leaning in this direction but PCI slots are scarce. There's no way
>> to get two audio card's (RME and Scope)ins/outs
>> to show up in Cubase and work together?
>> Tom

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>> "EK Sound" <ask_me@nospam.net <mailto:ask_me@nospam.net>> wrote in
>> message news:471e2d67@linux...
>> I will echo the RME suggestion... just plain works, and sounds great.

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>> David.
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>> Neil wrote:
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>> > have a power mod issue if you buy them used.
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>> > 12 or 20 digital in's, total - depending on your
>> > samplerate. Outs are the same #'s as above.
>> > *** These are PCI-based, as opposed to FW-based, which
>> > means, as far as I can tell, a more solid, more reliable
>> > throughput in terms of bandwidth... guys here like Chris
>> > L., Chuck, or Detric, etc. can give you more technical
>> > data/specs on this, but from my own experience, I can tell
>> > you I've tracked 21/22 channels (basic trax plus scratch
>> > vox, etc, etc) of a band at a time on a weaker computer
>> > than the setup you listed without a glitch. You mention
>> > #'s of inputs needed as a concern, so I thought I'd
>> > mention this.
>> > *** Focusrite ISA 428 WITH the digital interface card option.
>> > They now also have an 828 - this is a GREAT preamp with
>> > an ass-kickin' digicard with a softlimit feature that
>> > sounds great on certain things like bass, kick & snare. I
>> > bring this unit up because it enables more channels of
>> > input, in this case you can go lightpipe at up to 96k
>> > into the Multiface... it's a nice smooth preamp, too.
>> > Even if you're not looking for preamps per se', if you're
>> > starting a new build it's an affordable interface that you
>> > really should consider... the 428 also gives you an extra
>> > 4 channels of external analog i/o when you get the
>> > digicard option! You can pick these up used for in the
>> > \$1600 range WITH the card if you look around a bit.
>> > *** MOTU 8Pre - this has 8 decent preamps, nice & clean, but
>> > the key is it's got lightpipe out, so again, you're

>> > adding to your i/o capacity here. The pres sound pretty
>> > good, with nice headroom, and it's convenient to lightpipe
>> > out to your 2nd Multiface, especially for things like
>> > toms or a secondary bass channel that you don't need to
>> > monitor directly, but do want to send to tape... errr..
>> > DISK!
>> >
>> > Honestly this setup works great for me - it's not as
>> > sophisticated as a big MADI rig, and it might not be quite as
>> > high-end as some Apogeezang thang, but damn it works really
>> > well, and it sounds pretty farkin' good!
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Posted by [Aaron Allen](#) on Wed, 24 Oct 2007 04:30:32 GMT

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FWIW, I have 3 scope cards and something like 80 inputs and 80 outputs. I don't think I/O will be much of a problem with the right choices. :)

AA

"Neil" <OIUOIU@OIU.com> wrote in message news:471d9e3b\$1@linux...

>
> Keep in mind that if you only have two PCI slots, you WILL
> (note that I didn't say: "MAY") have to make a choice between
> using a Scope front end and something else. Unless the
> Scopestuff will give you the #'s of inputs you need even with
> other external conversion boxes going to lightpipe Scope in's,
> you must remember that in Cubase (or I imagine any other app)
> you HAVE to select one Master ASIO driver! If you have two
> Multiface PCI cards, you can select or default to the RME
> driver & you'll be able to record & playback through BOTH
> Multifacsia, if you have a Scope & something else
> (MOTU/Apogee/RME/Whatever), then your i/o's are limited to
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> If you like the Scope for synths or summing, you'd be better
> off setting that up in a secondary rig and using your primary
> PC for two interfaces of the same type so that your i/o count
> is maximized... in your case, anyway, based on what I think
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>>if they're hairy. The 24 in is essential and I'll still be looking for
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>>across a vocal there? 1.5ms shouldn't hurt too badly.
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>>I have some serious learning to do with Cubase before a tracking =
>>session!
>>My experience has been pretty much midi for the most part.
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Posted by [Aaron Allen](#) on Wed, 24 Oct 2007 05:06:05 GMT

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"Tom Bruhl" <arpeggio@comcast.net> wrote in message =
news:471eced2@linux...

Aaron,

I need 24 in/out converters.

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"Aaron Allen" <know-spam@not_here.dude> wrote in message =
news:471ecbd1@linux...

FWIW, I have 3 scope cards and something like 80 inputs and 80 =
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don't think I/O will be much of a problem with the right choices. :)

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>>L., Chuck,=3D20
>> or Dedic, etc. can give you more =3D
>>technical
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>> data/specs on this, but from my own experience, I can=3D20
>> tell
 you I've tracked 21/22 channels =3D
>>(basic=3D20

>> trax plus scratch
 vox, etc, etc) of =3D
>>a band=3D20
>> at a time on a weaker computer
 than =3D
>>the=3D20
>> setup you listed without a glitch. You=3D20
>> mention
 #'s of inputs needed as a =3D
>>concern,=3D20
>> so I thought I'd
 mention =3D
>>this.
 ***=3D20
>> Focusrite ISA 428 WITH the digital interface card=3D20
>> option.
 They now also have an 828 - =3D
>>this is=3D20
>> a GREAT preamp with
 an ass-kickin' =3D
>>digicard=3D20
>> with a softlimit feature that
 sounds =3D
>>great=3D20
>> on certain things like bass, kick & snare.=3D20
>> I
 bring this unit up because it =3D
>>enables more=3D20
>> channels of
 input, in this case you =3D
>>can go=3D20
>> lightpipe at up to 96k
 into the =3D
>>Multiface...=3D20
>> it's a nice smooth preamp, too.
 Even =3D
>>if=3D20
>> you're not looking for preamps per se', if=3D20
>> you're
 starting a new build it's an=3D20
>> affordable interface that you
 really =3D
>>should=3D20
>> consider... the 428 also gives you an =3D
>>extra
 =3D20
>> 4 channels of external analog i/o when you get=3D20
>> the
 digicard option! You can pick =3D
>>these up=3D20
>> used for in the
 \$1600 range WITH the =3D
>>card if=3D20
>> you look around a bit.
 *** MOTU 8Pre - this has 8 decent =3D
>>preamps,=3D20
>> nice & clean, but
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>> lightpipe out, so again, you're
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>>adding to=3D20
>> your i/o capacity here. The pres sound=3D20
>> pretty
 good, with nice headroom, and =3D
>>it's=3D20
>> convenient to lightpipe
 out to your =3D
>>2nd=3D20
>> Multiface, especially for things =3D

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>> works really <BR>well, and it sounds pretty farkin' =3D
>>good!<BR><BR>You're=3D20
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>>$4,500 if=3D20
>> you have to buy it all new.<BR><BR>Neil</BLOCKQUOTE>
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choose/upgrade your convertors at will with the scope thing, and jeez =
it's been=20
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use it.=20
Having extra DSP power laying around for effects/synths/mix engine =
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Keep in mind that if you only have two PCI slots, you WILL have to make a choice between using a Scope front end and something else. Unless the Scope stuff will give you the #'s of inputs you need even with other external boxes going to lightpipe Scope in's, you must remember that Cubase (or I imagine any other app) you HAVE to select one Master ASIO driver! If you have two Multiface PCI cards, you can select or default to the RME driver & you'll be able to record & playback through BOTH Multifacsia, if you have a Scope & something else (MOTU/Apogee/RME/Whatever), then your i/o's are limited to what can be selected on that ONE card/interface. If you like the Scope for synths or summing, you'd be better off setting that up in a secondary rig and using your primary PC for two interfaces of the same type so that your i/o count is maximized... in your case, anyway, based on what I think you're trying to achieve.

Neil & "Tom Bruhl" & arpegio@comcast.net wrote: Hey Neil, Lots of info here. I wasn't shopping for pres at all but if they're of the package then great. I am quite concerned about PCI/PCle slots (only 1 of each left) vs quality converters. Like you stated, basics sessions can get up around 20-24 tracks if they're hairy. The 24 in is essential and I'll still be looking for something else for vocal/snare for the players to hear. Paris has spoiled me in that regard. Effects galore! Maybe that's a mechanism for the Paris engine while

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Another "help me spend my money" thread - I LOVE
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& ;gt;2x RME Multifaces
>=20
=3D
>>- these=3D20
>> are fucking clean as =
hell and if=20
you
don't like the sound of the=3D20
>> =
convertors,=20
then you're not really
looking for "pristine", I can=20
=3D
>>tellya=3D20
>> that. Pick 'em up used=20
or
new, they're out there in both worlds. I
>=20
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>>would=3D20
>> recommend =
buying
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cards, since there are probably some older
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>> Two Multifascia will give you 16 analog =
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Subject: Re: Paris is mostly gone and Cubase is the new mothership. Help
Posted by [Neil](#) on Sat, 27 Oct 2007 02:38:06 GMT

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Neil

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Posted by [Paul Artola](#) on Sat, 27 Oct 2007 05:34:40 GMT

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No, it's a newer card. I bought it brand new through Chris Ludwig in the beginning of '07. Used it for a few months and it worked great - the whole RME package.

However, when I got the Tascam board, it made sense to us the MOTU 2408 setup, since both have 24 channels of TDIF built in. So that is my main i/o interface and it rocks.

Thanks for the plug. Also, glad your surgery went well. Hope your recovery is speedy and uneventful.

- Paul Artola

Elliott City, Maryland

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It's just a diode on the PCI card that needs to be changed..

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