Subject: Virtua Via Chassis working under Windows 7 64! Posted by mikeaudet on Thu, 16 May 2013 18:17:19 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Hi All,

In the past, I could never get my PARIS setup with a virtua via chassis to pass more than a handful of channels under windows xp before I got crackles.

I just tried it under Windows 7 64, and it is playing 32 channels over two cards perfectly!

I still have to test recording a bunch of tracks, but this bodes very well for the future of PARIS in a PCI-less world!

I'm using an Gigabyte AMD 790 based motherboard, so there is no reason to think that the newer AMD chipsets will be any different.

I've got the virtua via host card in one of the two PCI slots intended for graphics cards - this puts the PCI channel on the north bridge on the CPU (fast) instead of the south bridge (slower).

For the record, I think that the people at virtua via are a bunch of jerks because I sent several support requests about both my PARIS and UAD cards not working well, and they didn't even have the courtesy to write me back. However, there are other companies selling basically the same hardware, and the virtua via system does seem to work!

Sweet!

Mike

Subject: Re: Virtua Via Chassis working under Windows 7 64! Posted by Philip on Fri, 17 May 2013 01:09:05 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I have a magma that will work under windows 7, but will not work under win 8.

Sort of weird actually- when I have the HD with win 8 install in the computer, it will not even post if the magma is connected. Pop out the win 8 drive and put in win 7 and no problem.

Win 8 must be doing something weird with the bios, because it actually wont even post with the win 8 drive in the PC.

Totally bewildered.

-Phil

Win 8 is crap like Vista was, just stick with Win 7.

Subject: Re: Virtua Via Chassis working under Windows 7 64! Posted by mikeaudet on Sat, 18 May 2013 03:02:04 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Hi Phil,

What is the make and model of the motherboard? That's really weird.

All the best,

Mike

Subject: Re: Virtua Via Chassis working under Windows 7 64! Posted by Philip on Tue, 21 May 2013 14:27:31 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I think it is is a branded Lenovo motherboard. I bought an Ideacentre K30. I used to buy components and assemble my own towers, but just don't have the time anymore. Also, the last time I built a new machine was like 5 years ago and I feel like things have changed so much I wouldn't know what to get. It doesn't have any PCI slots, so I got a new expansion chassis. A Magma that is a pcie to PCI.

At any rate, I needed a new PC for home and for work, so I got this box with the plan that if it didn't work well, I would just take it to to my office and regroup on a home entertainment\audio box.

Anyway- that is how I discovered this weird Win 8 quirk. I pulled the hard drive out and put in a fresh one that I installed Win 7 64 on. No problem. It boots and the OS sees the Scherzos after I install the driver package. Remove that hard drive and put in the win 8 install and the computer will not post. The box turns on but the fan spins really fast and it wont post- just hangs. Win 7 drive back in, no problem. Disconnect the cable running from the Magma host card to the chassis- no problem, will boot with Win 8 drive in.

Quirky. At this point, I have given up on Win 8 for my desktop. I have a Samsung win8 tablet that I really like, but I am going back to windows 7 for my desktop.

-Phil