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APPLIED ACOUSTICS SYSTEMS ANNOUNCES THE RELEASE OF THE *STRING STUDIO* SYNTHESIZER

Montréal, Canada - May 26, 2005 - Applied Acoustics Systems today announced the official release of the new *String Studio* synthesizer for Mac OS X and Windows.

The *String Studio* synthesizer swaps the traditional oscillator, filter, and envelope pattern for real-life string instrument components. At the core of *String Studio* lies a new, cutting edge physical model of strings interacting with picks, bows, hammers, fingers, frets, dampers, and soundboards. Through this direct approach, *String Studio* delivers stunning guitars, basses, harps, clavichords, bowed instruments as well as rich and animated tones that blend the warmth, naturalness, and density of real-life with unique and innovative timbres from other-worldly instruments.

"Physical modeling provides us with the possibility to design synthesizers around the familiar components of real-life instruments. Following this approach, we can develop synthesizers capable of very realistic sounds but also extremely creative tones that still bear the organic qualities of acoustic sounds," said Philippe Dérogis, CTO of Applied Acoustics Systems. "With *String Studio*, our goal was to capture the wide range of sounds and textures found in string instruments, but I am particularly pleased that we have also succeeded to seize the dynamic characteristics, responsiveness and subtleties of these instruments".

Pricing and Availability

String Studio is available now for both the Windows and Mac OS X platforms at a suggested retail price of US\$249. *String Studio* is available as a standalone application and supports DXi, VST, Audio Units and RTAS (Mac OS X only) plug-in formats.

About Applied Acoustics Systems

Based in Montréal, Applied Acoustics Systems specializes in software based synthesis tools for professional musicians and sound designers. Since releasing the first virtual instrument based on physical modeling, the Tassman, AAS has come to be recognized as the industry leader in this exciting new field of synthesis.

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