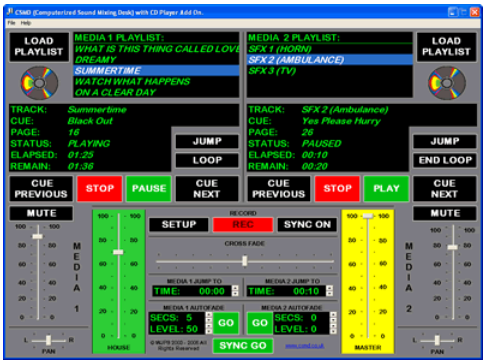
Computerised Sound Mixing Desk

June2008 Newsletter

Dear All,

Welcome to Junes CSMD Newsletter. Last month saw CSMD having a very busy month. We carried out a survey to find out what our customers thought of the products we offer, alongside a chance to win one of 2 copies of CSMD. And we have the winners, read on to find out more. And on top of that we also launched a new Beta version of CSMD (Advanced 1.2). More detail on all the above is included in the newsletter.

CSMD Advanced 1.2 Beta (Portable Playlists):



At the very end of May we launched a Beta version of CSMD Advanced 1.2. Initial tests seem to be running well, but we are waiting on more feedback. You can try the latest Beta version by visiting http://www.csmd.co.uk/support.php?said=28 and downloaded the installation. As always we invite you to test the system but remind you that this is not a final release so should not be used in a live show environment.

So the main changes that have been made are the addition of Portable Playlists. Something, which we have been promising for some time, and finally we have come up with a solution, which seems to work. Before all the playlist information including track details was stored in one single XML file in the system config. Now when you come to create a playlist you will be asked to specify a location where you wish to save this playlist. A set of folders will be created here, One main folder with additional folders and files inside. Then when Tracks are added to the Playlist the Track file is copied also to this folder. This means that the main folder can then be put onto a Memory Stick or External Drive and moved to another computer running CSMD Advanced 1.2 and opened there. All the tracks and track settings will now be able to move with you between home and the venue.

Other changes include improvements to the back end code to make the system more maintainable and faster to work with. If you haven't already tried the Beta version then now would be a good time. We would also like to take this opportunity to remind you that CSMD and CSMD Advanced can run on Vista PC's as long as the .Net 1.1 Framework is installed. If you have any specific questions please contact the support team.

And The Winner Is……

Drum Roll Please….. The two names picked out of the hat are Ad Watson and John North both of whom along with many others took the time to complete our online customer survey. Ad and John will be receiving their copy of CSMD Advanced (Fully Packaged) in the post shortly. The survey is now complete and we are analysing the results, which we may publish in the near future. Once again though we would like to thank all the people who took part in this extremely successful survey.

Well that's the end of another newsletter. As always we like to hear from our customers with stories of how they used CSMD, and problems they are coming up against. This way we can improve the software, and or may be able to suggest a work around for your problem.

Until next time,

All the best.

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