music 174a - winter2021

recording 1 - tracking, editing, home recording, collaborations

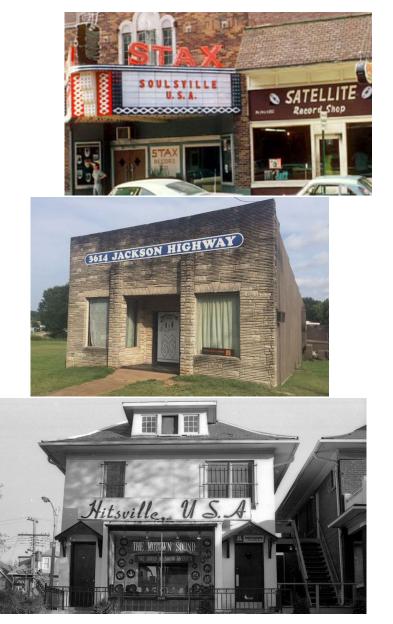
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mus 174a - more home recording tips

- close micing is a must for smaller rooms. narrow pattern and long mic boom helps.
- · drums can sound better near a wall
- · vocals in a clothes closet
- recording amped instruments DI gives flexibility. always record amped and DI together.
- sample everything in the house.
- re-amping any instrument can add space. small amps and studio monitors good for this.
- record with effects both dry and wet. use effects to get stand out sound.
- get long instrument, mic and headphone cables so you can use other rooms to record in.
- · don't be afraid to do many takes.



mus 174a - planning a session



- meet with the musicians
- see a concert and/or hear some previous tracks
- get a space
- determine mic and equipment needs, track number, etc.
- draw studio plot
- plan for any setup to happen before session.

mus $174a = session setup_r$ monitoring for recording

- talk back through headphones is great for someone recording in another room.
- set up a listen back microphone when recording a few players in another room. this mic should be set so they can talk to you.
- headphones should be closed (akg k72, direct sound hp-25, etc.)
- make a click track before anything else.
- use voice cues to conduct players, make MIDI guide tracks to sing/play to.
- make a separate mix for players, put on aux or return track.
- · reverb for musician, this helps singers
- visual cues, DAW, meter, bar/beat

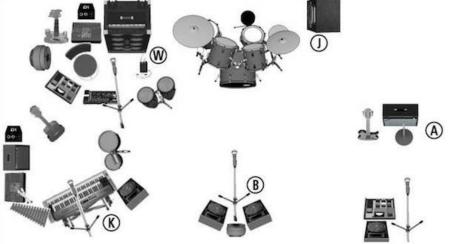






mus174a documenting a session

- · document with photos or video. make sure all instruments and mic positions are visible.
- studio plot is a diagram of where all instruments and microphones are.
- · track sheet lists microphone and instrument for each track.
- · take sheet lists the recordings: take number, description, time, notes
- · record verbal take numbers and description in the session.
- photograph the session



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mus 174a - affer a recording session

- record room tone
- make rough mix for listening to takes
- label takes, tracks, etc, if you haven't.
- back up the recording!!!!
- later: listen to tracks to pick out the best ones.



mus174a - reamp// rewire

- running sound through external hardware. pedals, synths.
- reamping with reamp box
- cheap reamping with volume pedal.
- sending sound with rewire
- interapp sound with sound flower
- interapp sound with an extra sound channel.

