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Foundations Of Music Technology



Synopsis

Foundations of Music Technology explores the core concepts of music technology and its uses as a mechanism to facilitate musicianship in a way that is accessible to all students--from the musician with limited technology skills to the technology expert with little knowledge in music notation. The text uses a free, customized software application for Mac or PC in order to demonstrate fundamental concepts of music technology germane to all professional applications like recording, synthesis, digital notation, MIDI, automating effects, acoustics, and more. With the concepts grasped using this "software-independent" approach, students can then transfer those learned skills over to the software of their choice.

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I have taught an Intro. to Music Technology course for a decade, and the problem with all texts is the obsolescence that comes with them. What I like about this book is that Manzo focuses on the concepts, not specific software. This allows the overall concepts to be learned and then translated to the students' software of choice. The companion software is great as well. It's very clear and accessible. Nicely done.

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