Electronic Musical Instrument Survey

A questionnaire on the use of technology in live performance Archived at: <u>emisurvey.johnnyvenom.com</u> John Sullivan, Marcelo M. Wanderley, Ivan Franco Input Devices and Music Interaction Laboratory, McGill University

WELCOME

Hello! If you are an active musician, we would like to hear from you about the use of electronic instruments in performance. You are invited to take this survey whether or not you personally use electronic instruments, and no matter what style of music you play.

By participating in this survey, you can enter to win a \$100 CAD gift certificate to an online music retailer like Moog Audio or Sweetwater.

This work is part of ongoing research on the design of new instruments, tools and techniques for music performance being conducted at McGill University. The principal investigator for this study is John Sullivan, supervised by Dr. Marcelo Wanderley. This work has been certified by the review ethics board. No risks are associated with this research, your confidentiality for participating in this study will be protected.

You must be 18 years of age or older to participate. The survey may take between 10 and 30 minutes to complete. While it is accessible across all devices, you may find it most convenient to complete on a computer or tablet equipped with a keyboard.

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ection}	ł	{question}	{options}	{type}	{conditional logic}
Perfor	mance	e Practice			
a. B	ackgro	bund info			
	1	What is your age?	18 to 24 25 to 34 35 to 44 45 to 54 55 to 64 65 or older	radio (choose 1)	
	2	What gender do you identify with?	Female Male Non-Binary I prefer not to say Other	radio	
	3	What country do you live in?	{list of countries}	dropdown	
b. N	lusical	training and experience			
	4	How long have you been playing music?	Less than one year 1 to 5 years 6 to 10 years 11 to 20 years More than 20 years	radio	
	5	Have you had any formal training?	University - Undergraduate University - Graduate Conservatory Private Instruction Other None	checkboxes	
	5a	Please specify	{text}	short text	q5 - other
_	5b	For how long?	{text}	short text	q5 - private instruction, oth
	5c	What area(s) of focus?	{text}	short text	q5 - private instruction, oth
	6	Do you have any experience with computer programming or	Yes	radio	
		electronics?	No		
c. Pe	erform	ance practice			
	7	What is/are the primary genre(s) of music that you perform? (Choose up to 2)	Avant-garde/Experimental Blues Classical Country Electronic Dance Music (EDM) Electro-Acoustic Folk International Jazz Latin Pop/Rock R&B Rap Stage/Theater	checkboxes (choose 2)	
	8	If there are there specific sub-genres or styles of music that you play, what are they?	{text}	short text	
	9	How many times per year do you perform in public?	0 to 10 times 11 - 20 times 21 - 50 times 51 - 100 times More than 100 times	radio	
			Word than 100 times		

ction	-	{question}	{options}	{type}	{conditional logic}
	11	Do you play solo or in a group or ensemble?	Solo	radio	
			Group / Ensemble Both		
	12	Which instruments are used? Can you describe your setups?	2000	short text	
lectr	onic M	usical Instruments and Controllers			
a. L	Jse of e	electronic musical instruments and controllers			
	13	Do you use electronic musical instruments in performance?	Yes	radio	
		- if 'Yes' continue survey;	No		
		- of 'No' jump to last section			
	14	What type(s) of instruments do you use?	Keyboard synthesizers	checkboxes	
			Modular synthesizers		
			Samplers		
			Drum machines		
			FX processors		
			P		
			FX pedals		
			Computer software		
			MIDI controllers		
			Other		
	14a	For 'Other', please specify:		short text	q14 - other
	15	Do you prefer computers or dedicated hardware? Why?		long text	
þ. г		tion and functionality			
		section, please answer the questions about the electronic instrume	nt or controller that you use the most		1
		epeat this section up to 3 times if you would like to enter information	•		
	16	What is the name of your instrument or controller?		short text	
-	17	During a typical performance, what percentage of time do you use i	i+?	short text	
	17	Is it commercially available?	Yes		
	10	is it continentially available?		radio	
			No		
	18a	Who built/designed it?		short text	q18 - no
	18b	Can you describe it?		long text	q18 - no
	18c	How old is it?		short text	q18 - no
	19	What kinds of sounds or sound manipulations do you produce with		long text	
		it?			
	20	How do you use the configuration options that your instrument		long text	
		provides?			
	21	What do you like about this instrument?		long text	
	22	Is your instrument or controller in its present form satisfactory or		long text	
		would you like it to have different functionalities? Please explain.			
	23	How reliable is your instrument or controller? Are there any		long text	
		random or recurrent hardware or software issues?			
	24	Would you like to answer the previous questions about another	Yes	radio	
		instrument or controller you use?	No		
		- if 'Yes' repeat questions 16-23 up to 3 times total			
		- if 'No' continue to next section			
		ion and continued use			
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	25	What factors influence you to take up a new electronic		long text	
		instrument?			
	26	Is the look and feel of an instrument an important factor in		long text	
		choosing it? If yes, how so?			
	27	Is the flexibility of an instrument an important factor in choosing			
		it? If yes, how so?			
	28	On average, how long do you typically use an electronic musical		long text	
		instrument before retiring it? What factors influence you to stop			
		using certain electronic instruments?			
	29	Are you familiar with the history, traditions and repertoire (if		long text	
		applicable) of your instrument(s), and do they play a role in your			
		performance?			
	30	Do you have any other comments or information that would be		long text	
		helpful to understand your use of electronic instruments and		ING LEAL	
4.0	`oncluci	controllers that have not been addressed in this survey?			
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	31	Would you be interested in participating in a follow up interview?	Yes	radio	
-	22		No		
	32	Would you like to be entered to win a \$100 CAD gift certificate to	Yes - Moog Audio (Canada)	radio	
		either Moog Audio or Sweetwater Sound?	Yes - Sweetwater (United States)		
			Yes - please contact me (other)		
		If you are selected and reside outside of North America, we will	No		
		contract you to arrange for an accessible retailer based on your			
		location.			