



Poetry Palooza with GarageBand '09

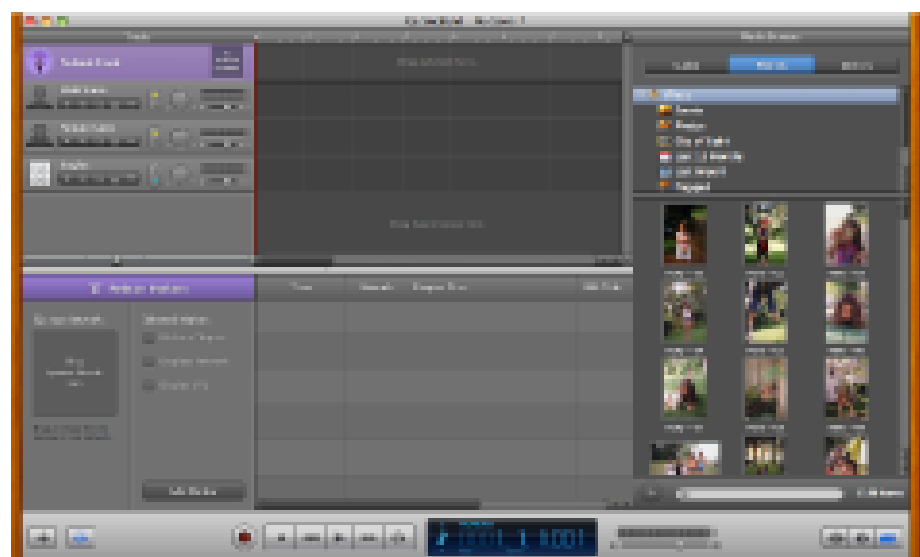
GarageBand is a unique piece of software that allows you to create your own music to add to slideshows, movies, DVDs, or webpages or to burn to an audio CD. It can also be used to create podcasts. Anything created in GarageBand can be sent to iTunes or iWeb.

Starting a GarageBand Project

1. Open GarageBand. Click New Project, click Podcast, and then click Choose.



The project opens.



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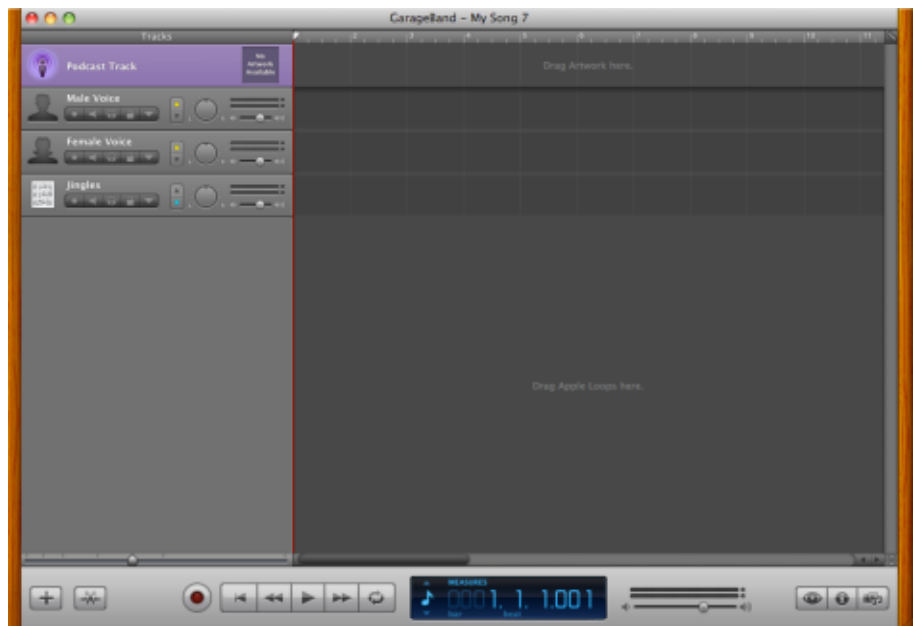
2. If you'd like to simplify the window to get started, click the Media Browser button to close it.



3. Click the Track Editor button to close it.



Your window now looks like the following:



The Tracks and Mixer columns are in the upper-left corner of the window. The Podcast Track is where images will be added for an enhanced podcast.



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4. The tracks in the Tracks column contain the same buttons. Hold the pointer over any of the tools in these two columns to find out what they are.
 - When a track is selected, the red Record button lights up to indicate it's enabled for recording. This is not the button you use to start recording.
 - The speaker icon is actually a mute button. Click that and the track won't be played.
 - The headphones button is used to solo a track. Click it if you only want to hear that one track.
 - The lock button will prevent a track from being changed.
 - The down arrow opens the view/hide automation for the track. This is where you can add individual adjustments to the sound level as well as the track pan. New to this version of GarageBand is the ability to add automations to each track.

The tools in the Mixer column include the following:

- The yellow arrow indicates that ducking is in effect. This means that when there is audio on this track, any others will quiet down. Ducking can be adjusted very easily. Use GarageBand Help to find out how.
- The Set Track Pan control (the circle) allows you to determine which speaker this track is broadcast through (L or R).
- The track volume level meter indicates when the sound is in a safe (green) zone.
- The volume slider allows you to adjust the volume for the entire track.

Recording Voice in GarageBand

1. Select a poem to record.
2. Click either the Male or Female Voice track, then click the Record button (red circle) at the bottom of the window (to the left of the Play button) to begin recording.



3. Read your poem. You may also record a script, story, or news article.
4. Click the Record button again or press the Space bar to stop recording.

Adding Music Loops to a Podcast

1. Add a jingle from the loop browser on the bottom of the window. Click the Loop Browser button (the eye icon) to open the loop browser.



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2. Select Jingles in the first column, choose All Effects in the second column, and click a music loop in the third column to hear a preview.
3. Drag a loop to the Jingles track to add it to the project.

Sharing Your Podcast

1. Choose Share > "Send Podcast to iTunes."

This sends your podcast to iTunes on your computer, not to the iTunes Store. iTunes automatically opens.

2. Select your poem and click the Play button.
3. You can also export your song to disk (to the Desktop folder).

Adding Album Art to Your Podcast

1. In iTunes, choose File > Get Info.
2. In the Information window that appears, click Artwork.
3. Drag your selected image to the album art window.