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**The Magic Closet**  
RECORDING



**THE STUDIO**

The Magic Closet is a state-of-the-art recording facility located in the historic Meek family house in the Sellwood neighborhood of Portland, OR. The studio was designed for a variety of recording applications, including (but not limited to) live band tracking and overdubs, voiceovers, audio restoration, mixing, editing, tape and vinyl transfer. Using top-quality microphones, preamps, analog gear and computers, the Magic Closet is able to provide high-end sound at an affordable price.



The engineers at The Magic Closet are experienced musicians who understand the creative process. The studio was built to be esthetically pleasing and conducive to creativity. We can also import and export sessions for those who like to track at home or other locations.

Main Phone: (503) 382-9268

**PRICING**

While we pride ourselves in providing superior quality recording facilities and services, we're also committed to keeping the creation process affordable.

Studio	\$17.5/hr
Engineer	\$17.5/hr
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$35/hr</b>

WE ALSO OFFER A 10 HOUR DAY-BLOCK FOR \$300 (SAVE \$50!)

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICES INCLUDE:**

- Recording - Tracking for voice, instrumental, midi, etc.
- Mixing - Professional mixing with quality effects.
- Audio restoration, sound design, basic mastering.

**BOOKING:**

A 25% refundable deposit is required to book time. Cancellations must be made at least two weeks prior to start date for sessions three days in length or under and six weeks prior for sessions over three days in length.

**YOUR RECORDINGS**

We recommend that you supply your own hard drive to store your sessions. By doing so, you will have the ability to access or modify your multitrack recordings at a later date at any studio using Pro Tools HD (or compatible) system. However, since hard drives can and do fail, we also recommend that you backup your recordings to another medium. We're happy to make recommendations based on your needs and available technology.

The recordings will be in digital format (Pro Tools 8.0), usually 24-bit 44.1 kHz, but at higher sample rates upon request. The recommended hard drive is an external Firewire 7200 rpm 8 MB cache drive with 60 GB or greater capacity. These can be found at most computer retailers for approximately \$125.00.

We can also burn your sessions to DVDs. DVD burning is billed at the regular studio rate plus the cost of the DVDs.

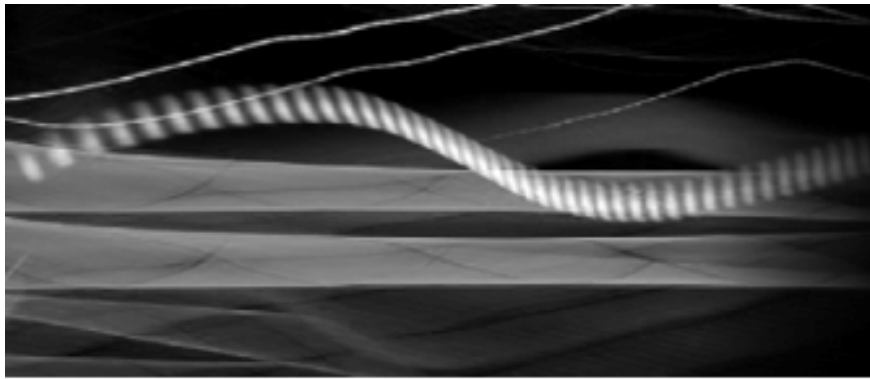
In-studio archiving is available for \$1/gigabyte. This is a good solution for clients who expect to add to or edit their



recordings later, but would rather not be responsible for storage and backup of the files. In this case, we burn the sessions to DVD and archive them onsite for you. A typical project is 10-20 GB, which would come to \$10-\$20. But please be aware that

entire album of a full band with overdubs will create much larger files. Note: We do our best to protect your files, but The Magic Closet cannot be held responsible for events beyond our control such as fires, floods, theft, etc.

It is imperative that you choose at least one means of archiving your files. Without either a portable hard drive or DVD, you will only receive your final mixes at the end of your sessions, and your data will be deleted from our hard drive one week after finishing your project.



## EQUIPMENT LIST

Partial Equipment List:

### RECORDING SYSTEM:

- \* ProTools HD 8 w/ 192 IO & Expansion
- \* Digidesign 96IO
- (Macintosh Dual G5 2.5)
- OTARI MX 5050 BII

### MICROPHONES:

- (1) NEUMANN U87
- (2) Josephson E22S (Albini)
- (1) Royer R-121 Ribbon
- (2) Cascade Fathead Ribbon Stereo Pair
- (2) AKG 414B ULS
- (1) AKG D112
- (1) Beyer Dynamic M88
- (2) Crown PZMs
- (3) Audix D2
- (1) Audix D6
- (2) Shure SM 58
- (3) Shure SM 57
- (1) Audio Technica ATM41HE
- (1) Sure KSM 44
- (1) Sure SM-7
- (\*) various other mics not listed

### INPUTS:

- \* Protools 192 IO & Expansion (8 in / 16 out)
- \* 96 IO for additional 8 in/out
- (1) Neotek Elan 28 Mic / 36 Line Console
- (2) Millennia Media TD-1 (Tube/FET) Mic Pre/EQ/ReAmp/DI
- (1) Great River ME1-NV
- (1) API 512c Mic Pre
- (2) BAE 312 (API Style) Mic Pre's
- (1) AVEDIS Audio MA5
- (1) WarmenFat tube Preamp
- (1) M Audio Midi 4x4

### OUTBOARD EFFECTS:

- (2) Empirical Labs Distressors with Stereo and British Mods
- (1) Stereo/Dual Mono Alan Smart C1 Compressor (SSL)
- (2) API 550b Equalizer
- (1) DBX 160x Compressor
- (1) Moog MoogerFooger Ring Modulator
- (1) Lexicon LXP 1
- (1) Peterson VSII Virtual Strobe Tuner
- (\*) various guitar pedals

### ADDITIONAL SOFTWARE EFFECTS & INSTRUMENTS:

- (1) Waves Gold Bundle TDM
- (1) AudioEase Altiverb 6
- (1) Antares Auto Tune EVO TDM
- (1) Bomb Factory Mooger Fooger Bundle
- (1) Bomb Factory SansAmp PSA-1
- (1) Reason 4
- (1) NI B4 II Hammond emulation
- \* Many more available than listed

### MONITORING:

- (2) Tannoy System 8 Dual Concentric Monitors
- (1) Avantone Mono Mix Cube
- (1) M-Audio BX-10s Powered Subwoofer
- (1) Crown D 75 Power Amp
- (1) Furman HDS-6 Headphone Distribution
- (4) Furman HR-6 Headphone Sattelite Mixers
- (1) Sony 7509 Headphones
- (4) Audio Technica Ath-M40fs Headphones

### INSTRUMENTS AVAILABLE FOR USE:

#### DRUMS:

- 5 Piece Premier with High-hat and Crash/Ride

#### KEYBOARDS:

- Piano - Samick Baby Grand
- Keyboard - Kawaii Digital Piano w/ midi
- M-Audio Oxygen 8 controller

#### GUITARS:

- Fender Stratocaster (Japan)
- Dan Electro
- Assorted Acoustic Guitars
- Guild Acoustic Electric
- Gibson Les Paul Classic

#### BASS:

- Epiphone Thunderbird

#### AMPS:

- Fender Twin Reverb Combo Amp
- Fender Super 112 Combo Amp
- Hartke HA 3500 Bass Amp
- Ampeg VL-501
- Epiphone Galaxy 25
- Mesa Boogie 2x12 Celestion Vintage 30 cab



**ACCOMMODATIONS:** Magic Closet has one primary recording room with three additional rooms for separation, if necessary. Depending on the configuration of your group, the main studio will comfortably handle 4-5 players.

**RESERVATION AND DEPOSIT:** A 25% deposit is required to secure your session. The session cost is estimated by your engineer based upon your project needs.

**STUDIO CANCELLATION POLICY:** You can cancel your reservation without penalty up to 6 weeks prior to your scheduled session for sessions over 3 days in length and 2 weeks prior for sessions under 3 days in length. We'll do our best to reschedule you when possible. But short notice cancellations may result in forfeiture of your deposit.

**STUDIO START-STOP TIME:** Billable hours begin at the predetermined time with or without your scheduled players present. You will be notified 30 minutes in advance of the end of your session. If the studio/engineer schedule permits, you may be given the option of extending your session.

**STUDIO RATES:** Magic Closet rates are \$35 per hour, with a minimum 1 hour session and billed in 15-minute increments thereafter. We also offer a day-rate 10 hour block for \$300 (\$50 savings)

**TECHNICAL PROBLEMS:** If guests experience technical problems with any house equipment, your Magic Closet engineer should be notified immediately. Any time required to fix the issue will be tracked and deducted from the total studio time.

**STUDIO FOOD AND DRINK POLICY:** Food and drink are permitted as long as they are in closed or re-closable containers. If minors are found with alcohol at the Magic Closet, law enforcement will be promptly notified. If a session is prematurely terminated for these reasons, you will be charged for the entire session.

**STUDIO DAMAGES:** All gear and studio spaces are examined before and after your session. Your party is responsible for any damage or destruction of equipment caused by misuse.

**STUDIO PAYMENT OPTIONS:** Magic Closet accepts cash, checks, and money orders. Returned checks are subject to a \$25 fee to cover bank costs.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING MAGIC CLOSET'S STUDIO POLICIES PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT US AT (503) 382-9268. A SIGNED COPY OF THIS AGREEMENT IS REQUIRED PRIOR TO USING THE STUDIO, SO IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOU REVIEW THIS THOROUGHLY IN ADVANCE OF YOUR SESSION.

I have read, fully understand and agree to the terms and conditions laid out in Magic Closet's Studio Rental Agreement.

Name [print]: \_\_\_\_\_

Start time: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

End time: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_