

## **Protools HD Adopted In Shared Audio Facilities**

Harmonization of curriculum to support Protools is underway in FCAD's shared audio facilities. The first step of a multi-year plan is currently underway in Room IMA-302 in the Image Arts building. The shared audio area, which includes a first rate recording and mixing rooms respectively, is being updated with a workstation and control pad that will work equally well with both Protools HD and Nuendo in the mixed use environment required in the complex.

The facility, when completed by mid September, will be the first Protools system installed on campus that will be capable of 7.1 surround sound. It will add to the 7.1 Nuendo facility already installed in the lab that includes a Foley work pit and high definition projector. The facility will complete Image Arts Film Programs workflow that integrates Protools technology as part of the curriculum.

The multi-year plan includes the same installation to occur in the advanced audio mixing facilities in the Rogers Communications Centre and obtaining a common work surface that integrates both software packages to simplify teaching and the operation of the facilities by students.

The completion of this project will allow for students from Image Arts, Radio and Television Arts, Theatre and Fashion to have access to high end facilities for projects that require this kind of facility. In addition the common hardware and software platforms ease the further development of audio programs into FCAD's postgraduate programs.

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