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Logic Pro X 10.1: Apple Pro Training Series: Professional Music Production



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Professional Music Production

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Lesson and media files available for download



Synopsis

Please note: Updates for Logic Pro v10.2 can be found at www.peachpit.com/apts.logicprox101 on the Updates tab. Completely revised and updated for Logic Pro v10.2, this Apple-certified guide shows you how to record, produce, and make music files that stand out with the Apple professional audio software. Veteran music producer David Nahmani's step-by-step instructions teach you everything from basic music creation to professional production techniques using Logic's software synthesizers, samplers, and digital signal processors. You'll learn about all of the key features in Logic Pro v10.2 and use the book's online files to begin making music from the very first lesson. Whether you're looking to use your computer as a digital recording studio, create musical compositions, or transfer that song in your head into music you can share, this comprehensive book will show you how.

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Customer Reviews

Didn't think twice when I bought this one, as I had good experience from the David's preceding book

about Logic Pro 9. I had some worries, though, that much of the information would be redundant. My worries were needless; the new book primarily focuses on all the new functionality provided with Pro X. This being said, it's still a book that covers/brings all the basic knowledge you need to have to work with Logic. These training books are certified by Apple, so they hold a high quality. I specifically like the consistent step-by-step approach. Everything is explained in detail and illustrated by both pictures and easy-to-follow guidelines. The book comes with comprehensive audio and project material, which is great when you need to be hands-on. I bought the ebook/ iPad Kindle version, so had to download the files from the publisher's web site. It went easy and smooth. All in all, I can only recommend this book. It covers all main aspects of music creation with Logic Pro X, without being cluttered or diving too much into depth. It keeps a good balance between essential information and information for general understanding. Lastly, I need to say that this is not for everyone. If you don't wish to read 500 pages while doing your hands-on exercises, I would recommend to use video-based tutorial services like those provided by macProVideo.com instead. They're really great too!

I've only gone through the first few chapters but learned so much. I am a beginner with Logic so this was exactly what I needed. I guess this is why it is the Apple Certified Method. The method is lab based so it's like being in a classroom only without the instructor.

(Five stars when read with the PDF updates file) Well written and super easy to follow with many great illustrations and simple explanations of some pretty complex topics. Some Logic's areas could probably have books all to themselves so if your expecting a lot of detail on EXS-24 programming or what every plug-in does this one isn't for you. That said a definite must read for anyone starting out, or who's just dabbled on the surface with Logic. IMPORTANT (at least until a new edition is published) if you are using Logic X 10.1 (Update released Jan. 2015) then while you download the various lesson and media files make sure you also download the PDF file with some updated text and illustrations. Nearly every time my system didn't behave as described or my menus/screen looked different it was described in the PDF and was a result of the upgrade. David also runs the [logicprohelp](http://logicprohelp.com) website and does answer many of the questions on the forum. Better yet he doesn't deride/patronise those of us who are still learning this stuff or are newbies.

This book is great. It gets you started off on the right foot by explaining Apple loops and how you can use them to quickly put together a song. By the end of the first chapter you will have created a

hip hop song just using loops. It gets into audio tracks, the use of the virtual Drummer feature, how to use the various elements of MIDI, the built in plug-ins and much more. Its pretty comprehensive and each chapter builds on the last. So you learn shortcut commands and how to navigate the interface because you continuously use some of the same methods throughout the exercises. The thing I really like about it is it takes you step by step through the features with hands on exercises and quizzes at the end of each chapter. This book is the official training book if you want to take the Logic Pro exam.

This book and accompanying DVD provide an excellent learning tool for all Logic X users. The book follows along and explains in detail the sample projects that are included in the DVD allowing the reader/user to gain continuous hands-on experience while learning the software in detail. And, for those anxious to get started (like I was), you get to create a song immediately! I have explored many resources in my ongoing quest to "master" Logic X software and I believe David Nahmani's books (I also used them for Logic 8 & 9) are not only the best way to get started if you're new to Logic X, but also a great way to continue learning/refreshing/perfecting all of the recording techniques, etc. associated with this software. I have not found the combination of "book instruction" combined with the "hands-on interaction" of the DVD anywhere else and it has helped me tremendously.

This book takes a methodical step-by-step approach to Logic Pro X. That said, it's hardly dry. It's clearly written by someone who is an excellent communicator/teacher, has a music production background, and knows Logic Pro X extremely well. I wasn't new to Logic (I've owned previous versions) but never took the time to completely master it inside out. The book is an excellent value and a great way to learn Logic Pro X.

The content is super great and the presentation is also. However, 10.2 came out just as I received the book and there are a lot of updates to be made to perform 10.1 drills with 10.2 on your computer. The author has created all of the errata to update the book, and there is a lot of updating, but I'm left wishing that there is a Logic Pro X 10.2 book instead. In all fairness, if a 10.2 book is available, 10.3 may be released and we may be back where we started. It seems that Logic Pro X version releases and How-To books are just not well coordinated.

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