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SONAR 2017.04 Update: Fixes and Enhancements

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The SONAR 2017.04 update includes the following:

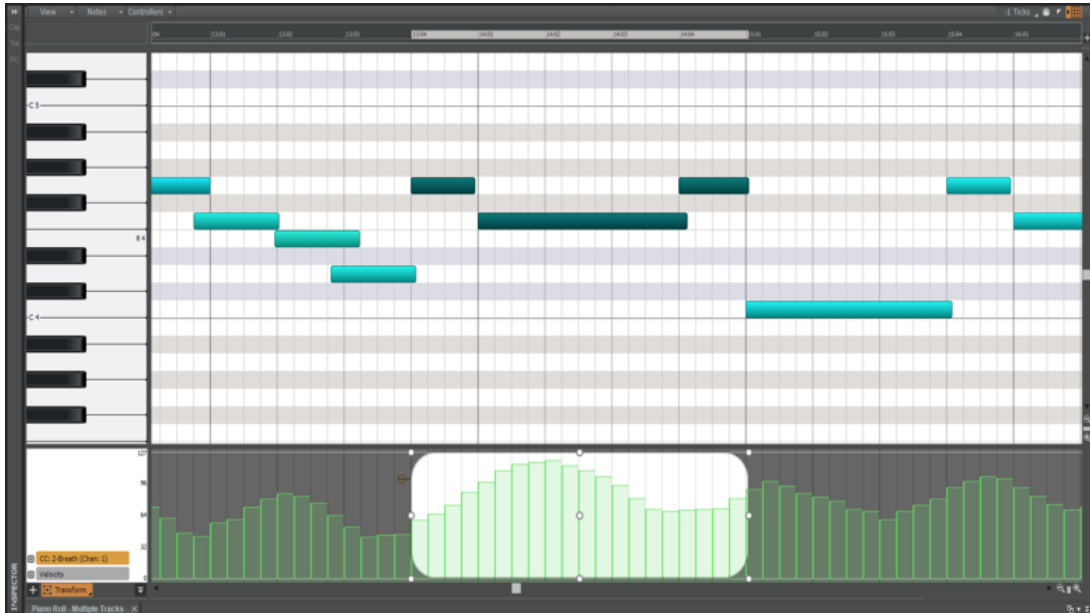
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How to Download the SONAR 2017.04 Update

1. Open Cakewalk Command Center. If you don't have the latest installer, Command Center will prompt you to download and install it. Cakewalk highly recommends that you do this. (Also remember that you can always download the latest version from the [Cakewalk Command Center](#) page.)
2. Update **SONAR Core** by selecting SONAR Platinum/Professional/Artist, then clicking **Install**.
3. Update **SONAR Local Documentation** by selecting it, then clicking **Install**

Transform Tool

Platinum



New to the Controller pane is the Transform tool. The Transform tool provides a new and unique way to edit in the Controller pane, by allowing for easy sculpting and manipulating of data. It has 2 main modes, Hard (Default) and Soft. These each control the way it interacts with nearby data. While the Hard mode provides crisp and precise edits, the Soft mode blends new changes with other nearby data. This is similar to how 2 audio clips can crossfade between each other. With its Mask mode, users get improved redrawing of data but only in the area of the mask. This makes redrawing only a specific section incredibly easy when paired with the Soft mode. Additionally, the Transform tool also has the ability to follow note selections with the "Auto-Focus" and Auto-Focus Monophonic modes. Now you can simply select the CC data you want to work with by selecting the associated notes.

MP3 Availability

Artist, Professional, Platinum

MP3 export is now available in SONAR Artist, Professional, and Platinum at no charge. Recently the patent royalties associated with MP3 encoding expired. Cakewalk is excited to offer MP3 encoding free of charge in SONAR.

Piano Roll View Enhancements

Artist, Professional, Platinum

- ▶ Display only selected tracks on opening the PRV using the "Filter To Selection On Open" menu item in the view menu (Defaults to Off)
- ▶ Show or Hide Audio Tracks in the PRV Track pane using the PRV View menu (Defaults to Off)
- ▶ TAB-to-Note now auditions the note
- ▶ Improved selection and multi-select in the Track pane
- ▶ Smart Swipe in the Track pane is now more reliable
- ▶ Auto scroll is now possible in the Track pane from drag selecting & smart swiping
- ▶ A filter can now be updated using the Save menu item from the Filter tab in the Track pane
- ▶ Hover effects have been added to the Track pane buttons
- ▶ Hiding tracks from the Track Manager will hide tracks in the PRV Track Pane
- ▶ The Track pane now displays the header icons for tracks for easy access to connected synths
- ▶ Adjusting the color of a track is now possible from the Track pane using the Color Picker
- ▶ PRV notes are now displayed as a flat color when they are not focused for improved visibility of low velocity notes
- ▶ Snap Override no longer expands when opening the PRV
- ▶ Velocity could previously become hidden in the Controller Pane, with no way to easily turn them back on. This is now accessible from the Add New Controller button

Miscellaneous Fixes & Enhancements

Artist, Professional, Platinum

- ▶ Clicking a track name will now set track focus
- ▶ Fixed a warning message that was cut off in MIDI > Playback and Recording for German
- ▶ Updated PRV Solo button tooltip for Japanese
- ▶ In some languages the Help Module window would display with a white background and no text

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