

# Phoenix Sound Studios

## Phoenix Sound Recording Studios Melbourne

A state-of-the-art [recording studio](#) facility capable of delivering the highest level of music and sound production.

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Bands, ensembles, singers, artists and songwriters, agencies, record companies and other recording studios use Phoenix Sound Studios for:

- CD projects and albums
- Demos
- Film / television music
- Songwriting
- Voice overs
- Recording drums & Percussion
- Commercials
- Session musicians
- Audio restoration
- Forensic audio

Phoenix Sound Studios is no converted bedroom. Unlike some studios, the facility was built specifically to produce unique and exceptional acoustics resulting in an incredible natural live sound that is very desirable when recording drums for instance.

The recording studio comprises three different size rooms, all visible to each other and able to accommodate large bands and small chamber orchestral groups comfortably without feeling confined. Plenty of natural light and beautiful scenery together with individual personal monitoring makes recording a joy and allows the flow of creativity.

Phoenix Sound Studios hold the highest standards to ensure every amenity is made available.

A range of specialised audio services such as [mastering](#), [audio restoration](#), [audio archival](#) and [forensic audio](#) are also offered.

[Contact](#) Phoenix Sound Studios to discuss your next project or to book a free no obligation recording studio tour. We look forward to hearing from you!

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flexible to the needs of its clients in composing, recording, mixing and mastering of music and sound. The facility offers a healthy mix of vacuum tube and solid state equipment giving warmth, character, reliability and flexibility.

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### Studio Features

- Three different size rooms, all with visibility to each other – LIVE ROOM (30'x 20'), CONTROL ROOM (30'x 20'), VOCAL / DRUM BOOTH (10' x 8')
- Exceptional acoustics resulting in an incredible natural live sound
- Large bands and small chamber orchestral ensembles can be accommodated without being confined and can record live on up to 32 individual tracks simultaneously
- Plenty of natural light and beautiful scenery
- Individual personal monitoring on up to 16 channels
- State-of-the-art recording equipment including Neumann, Universal Audio, Avalon, RODE, RME, Yamaha and Belari
- Experienced engineer who is a professional musician
- Access to in-house instruments such Yamaha Maple Custom and Recording Custom drum kits, Roland V drums, amps and guitars is available – these are setup ready for recording
- Phoenix Sound Studios offers the highest standard in audio production hardware and software
- There is plenty of free and unrestricted secure off street parking making a stress free and easy access load in

Check out our [Gallery](#) page and listen to some of the [Audio Examples](#) produced by Phoenix Sound Studios!

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Studio recording is such a fun and creative process. At Phoenix Sound Studios your ideas will come to life and sound the best they possibly can. We will make sure every vocal or instrument is captured by selecting the appropriate microphone, preamp and microphone placement within a suitable acoustic space.

Large bands and small chamber orchestral groups, up to 25 musicians, can record live on up to 32 individual tracks simultaneously.

When recording, having just the right monitor mix is paramount. If you can't hear, you can't perform at your best. Surprisingly adequate headphone monitoring is usually an oversight at some studios. At Phoenix Sound Studios vocalists and musicians have complete control over their individual monitor mix throughout the recording process. This is totally independent from others that may be recording simultaneously and gives everybody what they really want – “more me!”

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An important stage after recording is editing and mixing. Phoenix Sound Studios edit and mix your material appropriately to achieve a well-balanced and true musical result using the very latest technologies.

Whether it's fine tuning a lyric or cleaning up a guitar track, good editing can really improve the outcome of your music. We have the tools that enable us to do whatever it takes to get your tracks sounding the best they can be.

Mixing is the process by which multiple recorded sounds are combined into one or more channels. Mixing is very subjective and a real art form. Phoenix Sound Studios ensure all the effort put in at the recording stage is represented the way you envisaged. Balancing your tracks and adding processing such as compression, equalisation or reverb, if required, will enhance your tracks and bring your music to life.

A remote editing and eMixing service is also offered. Send us your source tracks or stems and Phoenix Sound Studios will send you back a completed mix. This process can be achieved completely online if desired. For more information please [contact](#) us.

Below is a before and after example of our editing and mixing work courtesy of Gary Hodges.

Phoenix Sound Studios was conceived by Justin Humphries and is designed to offer an inspirational and relaxed recording studio environment that is flexible to the needs of artists in the composing, recording, mixing and mastering of music and sound using state-of-the-art technology.

Justin is an accomplished and experienced percussionist, sound engineer, composer and educator living in Melbourne Australia. With a rich and varied career spanning over 25 years, Justin has performed and recorded as a percussionist and sound engineer with numerous bands and artists. Please check out some of our previous [clients](#) and [testimonials](#).

Justin's musical compositions can be heard on a variety of local and international TV shows and advertisements such as Commonwealth Bank, Tropscore, IGA, 7.30 Report, English sitcom "Biography" and American sitcom "Becker".

### **Custom Drum & Percussion Tracks**

Justin creates and records high quality drum and percussion parts for musicians and producers all over the world. He has been providing this service for over 20 years and was one of the first to introduce this concept.

Justin's custom drum tracks will bring your music to life and sound unique. All drum tracks are played live using high quality drums, cymbals and percussion such as Yamaha, Sabian, Roland and LP. They are recorded and mixed using state-of-the-art recording equipment such as Neumann, AKG and Shure microphones, Avalon, Universal Audio microphone pre-amps and Tascam console.

Projects can be coordinated remotely online. A stereo drum mix and/or full multi-tracked version can be supplied for mixing in your own studio. Justin is able to work with all audio file formats and most software packages and platforms. [Contact](#) Justin for your custom drum & percussion tracks.

### **Justin has also produced and released several original CDs:**

#### *Triangle "Against The Grain"*

Featuring the talents of Gary Norman on guitar, Mike Mathews on bass and Justin Humphries on drums. Triangle performed on PBS FM106.7, Manchester Lane Melbourne,

Melbourne International Electric Jazz festival and supported Dave Weckl Band Australian tour. Triangle is listed as one of Vorticity Music's and Audiophile Imports' best sellers.

### *Mind Funk*

Featuring a variety of moods from the wild funk/fusion of 'Cloud 9', 'Tractor Beam', 'Mind Funk' and 'About Time' to the ambience freedom of 'Raw Blues', 'Mystic' and 'Mystic II'. Latitude features Justin's Latin playing along with percussionist great Alex Pertout. A reworking of John Coltrane's 'Giant Steps' has also been included.

### *Anjuz*

Featuring master guitarist Andrew McMurray and percussionist Justin Humphries performing a mix of Brazilian, Cuban and flamenco music.

### *Drum Songs*

Includes 11 complete songs, featuring drums only, in varying styles and feels such as rock, jazz and funk. All tracks adhere to common musical song structure such as AABA and are very groove orientated. Printable PDF charts are also included so you can see the musical notation and song structure.

### *Percussion Ensemble Sheet Music*

Include score and parts and accompanying high quality MP3 performance for ensembles in all skill levels – beginner to professional. Some of the percussive styles covered are Celtic, Cuban, Brazilian and Drum Corps.

### **Justin's drumming can also be heard on:**

Nick Freer "The Unsuspecting", Suzanne Kinsella 'The Conversation', Suzanne Petersen 'I Foresaw This Trouble', Michael Mathews 'Mosaic', 'Rezzalp 'In My Dreams', 'The Preview', Brendan Hains 'Modal Nomad', Robbie Greig 'Marked Man'

### **Some of Justin's credits include:**

Echuca Jazz Festival, 2006 Brownlow Medal Event Melbourne, Coolart Jazz Festival, Main Stem Big Band, Lounge Room Legends Big Band, Sarah Maclaine Band, Body & Soul (Seoul, South Korea), Sharon Anderson Band, Larry Maluma (ABC Rage video clip), Denise Drysdale, Jon Chester, The Crooners Show Big Band, Performed on Good Morning Australia (10 Network), 7 Network, Melody Crystal, The Changing, Paris & Co, Kiss of Reality, Asteric Parker Band, Arch Stevenson, Brendan Hains, Judith Durham (Seekers), Groovenation, Kaliopi, Jon St. Peters, Albear, Jon Merkus, Colour Wheel, Alex Pertout, Danielle Greenwood (Sydney Sony Music Tour), Alexiou Brothers, Elevation, Triangle, Rezzalp and Mark Wesby (Adelaide tour).

### [Contact](#)

Located in one of the most beautiful northern suburbs of Melbourne, Hurstbridge, Phoenix Sound Studios is easily accessible from Melbourne CBD by road or rail. The recording studio is walking distance from Hurstbridge railway station.

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