

Record dreams become reality

Clackamas' recording studios prove useful for artists on campus

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For many music artists, the hardest part of creating an album may not be writing the songs, or putting together a band, but finding recording space.

The college now offers courses in music technology that allow students to explore the album-making process right here on campus: Music 107, 108 and 109.

In MUS 107 and 108, students gain hands-on experience in the studio. The skills taught during these courses especially benefit individuals who then enroll in MUS 109.

MUS 109 students choose any band or artist that has submitted a resume to the music department and work with that ensemble to compose a CD. Students' jobs are to help

record, edit, cut and arrange the music on the album.

Music Department Chair Tom Wakeling approached Brian Rose with the idea for the first of the three classes – MUS 107, and introductory course in audio engineering – seven years ago, asking if he would teach it. Rose, who is now the head of the music technology program, owned and ran a professional studio during this time, and had constructed a studio at the Northwest Academy, in Portland. At the academy he taught audio engineering and music part-time.

Wakeling created the recording studios with Rose's assistance. Rose also contributed in the design and inspections of the Niemeyer building during the construction.

"The only way to really test your ability to swim is to jump into deep water and struggle," Rose said. "These students have to learn the basics, learn the studio and get a recording made in three terms. This is not easily done in a classroom environment."



Andy Nagatori listens while Bo Ernster belts it out inside the sound booth. Recording sessions require patience, dedication and time.

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Budget deficit may empty students' pockets

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Clackamas' tuition may rise in an attempt to save college's budget.

In a board of education meeting on Nov. 14, Courtney G. Wilton, president of college services, shared a particularly alarming fact: If enrollment keeps dropping and government funding goes down, the college may be in a financial crunch by the 2011 school year.

Financial forecasting shows that over the next four years, the college will be receiving \$10 million less than in the past, while expenses continue to increase.

According to a slide in the PowerPoint presentation given by Wilton, the school's ending fiscal balance will be in the negative if the college doesn't fix the differences between incoming and outgoing finances.

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Pro-pot preached at political forum

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People attended the Legalization of Marijuana Forum Nov. 12 wearing a range of clothing, from tie-dye shirts to penguin suits, but regardless of their attire, everyone had the opportunity to be heard.

The forum, sponsored by Clackamas' Democratic Club, took place in McLoughlin Hall.

Representatives from various organizations participated, including the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML), Voter Power and Mothers Against Misuse and Abuse (MAMA).

These groups are not for legalizing marijuana; they are for re-legalizing it.

The audience at the event consisted of 73 people. This number was lower than the Democratic Club expected, leading some to question whether the forum was taken as a joke.

Perhaps advertising is to blame.

MAMA representative Daniel Chandler felt that in order to be taken seriously by individuals on either side of the issue, the col-

lege could have advertised in a more professional manner. When he first stepped out of his car and saw the "POT THIS WAY" posters around campus, his initial reaction was to drive away, he candidly said at the forum.

Chandler and other organization representatives discussed both facts and common opinions concerning marijuana.

As printed on a NORML flyer available at the forum, "The U.S. Penal Code states that any person can be imprisoned for up to one year for possession of one marijuana cigarette and imprisoned for up to five years for growing a single marijuana plant."

"Facts, science and logic are great," Associate Director of Oregon NORML Russ Belville writes on another flyer, "but they get you nowhere until you've broken through most people's cherished fears and ignorance about the plant."

"Once marijuana is seen as a helpful herb instead of a dangerous drug, the rest of the prohibitionist's arguments are toast."

According to the Web site of the National Institutes of Health, the National Institute of Drug Abuse (NIDA) maintains that



Brett Bernhoft, president of the Democratic Club, introduces representatives between speakers.

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"Reckless" in pictures.

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