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Harmonic Vision Upgrades Music Ace Series

New Release Supports Mac OS X and Windows XP and is Optimized for Academic Environments

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS -- Harmonic Vision, a leading developer and publisher of music education software announced today the release of a major upgrade to the Music Ace series aimed at increasing the usability of these music education products in academic multi-seat and managed network environments. Music Ace is the leading music education software for grades K-8, and is used in more than 5,000 school districts around the world.

The new release of the Music Ace series addresses many issues that are unique to the academic multi-seat environments that are common in many schools, especially those supporting computer-based curriculum.

Key new support and performance enhancements to Music Ace include:

- Full Windows® XP Support
- Full MAC OS X support
- MAC OS 9 Multiple User Support
- Macintosh Manager Support for networks
- Eliminate the constant need for the CD-ROM in Lab Pack configurations
- Use of MP3 compression to improve network performance
- External MIDI device support for Windows XP and MAC OS X
- QuickTime 5.0
- Export MIDI files from the Music Doodle Pad
- Enhanced printer support

"These enhancements to Music Ace have been driven by customer requirements, especially schools and music labs looking to use Music Ace in a networked or multi-seat environment." said Phil Rockenbach, President of Harmonic Vision. "Support for the latest operating systems

and eliminating the constant need for the CD-ROM makes Music Ace an even more compelling product for school music education programs."

The Music Ace series is now fully compatible with Apple's MAC OS X operating system and Microsoft's Windows XP. By ensuring that Music Ace operates on virtually all computers, Harmonic Vision has strengthened Music Ace's claim as the leading multi-platform music education software.

"Our channel partners are telling us that Apple remains a strong player in the academic market, " said Rockenbach. "Our support of MAC OS X allows us to continue to bring superior music education technology into as many classrooms, labs, and studios as possible."

About Music Ace

Harmonic Vision's products are designed for both consumer and educational markets for purchase and use by parents, school-based music teachers, and private teaching studios. The company's products are fun to use, incorporating a high degree of interaction with the user, compelling graphics, animation, and sound, and a reward system based upon performance.

Harmonic Vision's titles include:

- **Music Ace**, which was developed using the Company's proprietary development tools and sound/animation engine, consists of a series of 24 lessons and games that teach basic music theory and ear training. The product includes a composition component that allows beginners to create their own musical pieces. In particular, *Music Ace* is designed to help beginning music students successfully learn pitch-related skills.
- **Music Ace 2**, developed in partnership with Macmillan/McGraw-Hill and also using the Company's proprietary development tools, consists of a series of 24 lessons and games that teach basic rhythm, harmony and melody. *Music Ace 2* also includes a composition component that allows beginners to create their own musical pieces. In particular, *Music Ace 2* is designed to help beginning music students successfully learn rhythm-related skills.

The new releases of Music Ace and Music Ace 2 are available immediately. Pricing remains unchanged. Visit Harmonic Vision at www.harmonicvision.com or call 800-474-0903 for more information.

About Harmonic Vision

Founded in 1991, Harmonic Vision, the company is a leading developer and publisher of music education software. Its flagship products are Music Ace and Music Ace 2. These award-winning products are designed to accelerate music education, whether at home or in the classroom, and are available from music and software resellers. The company is located at 68 East Wacker Place, Chicago, IL, 60601 and on the Internet at www.harmonicvision.com.
