

**Homework No. 1 Part 1**

The goal of this assignment is to familiarize yourself with the software we will be using for music creation this semester. You will need access to a computer of fairly recent manufacture that runs either Microsoft Windows XP/Vista or Mac OS X. A lot of basic information regarding the skills necessary to complete the assignments in this course can be found on our class web site at: <http://www.soslocope.com/~ochsa>, as well as on the Music Technology FaceBook group.

1. Download and Install the Renoise Sequencer/Tracker software from the link on our class web site which points to <http://www.renoise.com>. As long as you obtain it from this official site, the software is virus and advertisement free, and will not damage your system in any way.
2. Open the Renoise program, and load one of the sample songs. Hit the “play” button to ensure that your system’s audio is functioning normally. Should you run into any problems at this step, please visit the online help (with tutorials for all of the basic tasks) at <http://www.renoise.com/help>.
3. Using only the sounds that come packaged with the Renoise program, please write your own version of the musical work “Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star.” You will only need to write one complete statement of the theme, in ABA format. For reference, you may use this:

The image shows three staves of musical notation for the song "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star". The first staff (measures 1-4) contains the melody: "Twin- kle, twin- kle, lit - tle star, how I won - der what you are!". The second staff (measures 5-8) contains the middle section: "Up a - bove the world so high, like a dia- mond in the sky.". The third staff (measures 9-12) repeats the first section: "Twin- kle, twin- kle, lit - tle star, how I won - der what you are!". The notation is in treble clef with a common time signature (C).

4. Please submit your Renoise file (.rns extension) titled HW1Twinkle-YourName.rns using the File Transfer Protocol (FTP) for the homework submission account online. Instructions for downloading FTP software and connecting to the homework account to upload your work will be posted on the class web site.
5. This assignment is due by our next class meeting on March 9.