# StroboSoft 2.0 Quick Start Guide

Thank you for purchasing StroboSoft 2.0 from Peterson Tuners. Please follow these directions for installing, authorizing, and setting up StroboSoft 2.0 to ensure an error-free process. Internet access will be required for registering and unlocking the software.

## Installing and Unlocking StroboSoft 2.0

#### To install on PC:

- 1. Log in as an administrator and insert the installation disc.
- 2. Navigate to the Install > Windows folder.
- 3. Double-click the StroboSoft.msi file to install StroboSoft 2.0 on your system.

# To install on Mac:

- 1. Log in as an administrator and insert the installation disc.
- 2. Navigate to the Install > Mac folder.
- 3. Double-click the StroboSoft.dmg file to open.
- 4. Drag the StroboSoft.app icon to the root of your Applications folder. It will begin to unpack and install itself.

### Please follow the directions below to register StroboSoft.

- 1. Double-click the StroboSoft icon after installation to open the authorization dialogue box.
- 2. Click the button marked REGISTER ONLINE.
- 3. Enter the supplied ten-digit serial.
- 4. Enter your user information and verify the MACHINE CODE area is filled in. (The machine code is unique to every system StroboSoft is installed upon and will need to be entered along with the serial before an unlocking code is supplied.)
- After user details are verified, the unlocking code will be displayed in the browser and emailed to the address provided during registration.
- 6. Highlight the unlocking code displayed in the browser and use the 'copy' command to minimize entry errors.
- 7. Use the 'paste' command to paste the unlocking code into the UNLOCK window.
- 8. Click UNLOCK to launch the application.

# **Installing On A Computer Without Internet Access**

- 1. After installation of StroboSoft, copy-and-paste the MACHINE CODE from the registration dialog box on the computer where the installation is desired to a text document and save it to a removable media drive.
- On a computer that has internet access, visit www.strobosoft.com and click the button marked REGISTER on the left side of the screen. Enter your serial number.
- Insert and open the removable media. Open the file you saved with the machine code and copy-and paste it into the appropriate area. Complete the basic user details.
- After verification of details, copy the UNLOCK CODE to a text document to minimize entry errors. Save the file to removable media.
- Open the file on the computer where installation is desired and copy-and-paste the code from the text file into the UNLOCK window.
- 6. Click UNLOCK to launch the application.



#### 1. Sample Rate Selector

Audio Section

Set this to your project settings or audio interface rate. If using inside of a DAW, set this to your recording settings, for ex., 48kHz or 96kHz. (AUTO is the default setting and appropriate for standard use with most systems.)

2./3. Left and Right Input Selectors

When a stereo input is used, StroboSoft can be toggled to receive input from the left or right input. (For ex., tuning a bass on the left input and tuning a guitar on the right input.) Each instrument can have its own settings.

4. Stereo Selector

Combines the signal from both channels of the audio interface. This is the default setting.

5. LED Clip Indicators

If the input is 'in the red' (too loud), adjust your instrument or audio interface input volume downward. StroboSoft may provide incorrect measurements if the input is clipping.

6. Audio Interface Selector

Select the desired audio interface (more than one) or desired input here. Ensure this setting is reflective of what the computer's operating system or the selected audio interface is set at. Refer to the computer user guide for setting the audio device input or your third-party interface manual.

#### Note: The StroboSoft website offers a variety of interactive tutorials, program updates, and user resources for download. Please visit www.strobosoft.com for further tutorials or visit the StroboSoft FAQ section on the StroboSoft product page.

# StroboSoft 2.0 can be used as a stand-alone software tuner or a plug-in device in your favorite DAW. The directions below cover setting your audio interface input levels for an enjoyable experience using StroboSoft 2.0. Installation instructions for plug-in use are also covered below.

# Please note: Even though StroboSoft is installed as a plug-in, it can still be launched as a stand-alone from your desktop or dock for use outside of your DAW.

# Stand-alone audio settings for Windows and Mac OS X:

After installation and successful unlocking of StroboSoft, please make sure your audio level settings are optimal by reviewing your Windows audio settings or Mac OS X audio preferences.

### To view your Windows Recording mixer settings in Win XP:

- 1. Go to Start > Settings > Control Panel > Sounds and Audio Devices.
- 2. The Sounds and Audio Device Properties dialog box will open. Select the AUDIO tab at the top.
- Go to the second option, Sound Recording, and make sure the desired audio interface is selected. You can click the arrow at the right to view additional options (if installed).
- 4. Click the VOLUME button to open the Recording Mixer and view settings.
- 5. The Recording Control Mixer will open (titled Recording Control in top-left). Make sure the desired input is selected (Microphone or Line-in) by placing a 'check' in the select box. With StroboSoft open, adjust the input volume slider on the appropriate channel and a signal present to view the LED indicators in StroboSoft. (Make sure the input is not too high or clioping will result.)
- 6. Click the 'X' in the top-right to close the mixer. Close the Control Panel.

# To view your audio input settings in Vista:

- 1. Go to Start > Settings > Control Panel > Sound.
- 2. The Sound dialog box will open. Select the RECORDING tab at the top.
- 3. You can select the desired audio input by clicking on it. (A green check box denotes the default device.)
- 4. Highlight a device and select the PROPERTIES button in the lower part of the window.
- The device properties open. Select the LEVELS tab. With StroboSoft open, adjust the input volume on the appropriate channel being careful not to clip the input going into StroboSoft.
- 6. Click the 'X' in the top-right to close the dialog box. Close the Control Panel.

#### To view your audio preferences on Mac OS X:

- 1. Go to System Preferences > Sound > Input.
- 2. Select the desired input (Ex., internal microphone, line-in, etc.).
- 3. With StroboSoft open, drag the Input Volume slider to an appropriate level. View the LED indicators in StroboSoft and adjust the input so that it is not too high or clipping will result.)
- 4. Close the System Preferences.

# StroboSoft Plug-in VST/AU installation (Deluxe and Suite only):

To enable StroboSoft to be used as a plug-in inside another audio application (e.g., a DAW), StroboSoft sLINK<sup>™</sup> technology is used. This requires that "StroboSoft sLINK" be installed like any other plug-in. When sLINK is launched within your DAW, sLINK will act as a micro-host, automatically launching StroboSoft, and routing audio into it.

#### StroboSoft VST on PC via sLINK™:

- After installation and successful unlocking of StroboSoft, install the included sLINK<sup>™</sup> file into your dedicated plug-in or VST directory. Double-click the .msi file to install the sLINK module in your system plug-in folder.
- 2. Refresh your DAW plug-in folder (if required). Refer to your DAW's documentation for plug-in installation.
- 3. StroboSoft will follow the host settings in regards to audio inputs and levels.
- 4. You can open an instance on every track or, for increased efficiency, load StroboSoft across a buss or aux and route your desired 'tuning' channels accordingly. This will conserve CPU cycles and provide a less 'cluttered' on-screen workspace.

# StroboSoft VST/AU on Mac via sLINK™:

- After installation and successful unlocking of StroboSoft, install the included sLINK™ file into your dedicated plug-in or VST/AU directory. Double-click the sLINK AU or VST .dmg to install into your desired plug-in folder.
- 2. Refresh your DAW plug-in folder (if required). Refer to your DAW's documentation for plug-in installation.
- 3. StroboSoft will follow the host settings in regards to audio inputs and levels.
- 4. You can open an instance on every track or, for increased efficiency, load StroboSoft across a buss or aux and route your desired 'tuning' channels accordingly. This will conserve CPU cycles and provide a less 'cluttered' on-screen workspace.

>>>Mac Users: IMPORTANT<<< The StroboSoft.app file must be installed into the root Applications folder for sLINK to function properly. Please check that it is installed correctly in the Applications folder in the event your host will not update to show StroboSoft in the plug-in/effects list. Do not install the StroboSoft.app file into a subfolder.

# NEED HELP?

If you require further assistance with installation or have general usage inquiries, please contact Peterson Tuners at: info@strobosoft.com .

Make sure to include your serial number and registered user name as part of the email.