



A Tribute to HG Fortune

HG Fortune was "a small one-man company" named Günter Hager . As he himself said—and many of us agree—his plugins were very special, so they "only appeal to a limited range of users." He was well aware that he would not get rich from them; Although he did make some synths available for sale, he soon became a star of the freeware scene, regularly releasing free versions.

His career as a creator of virtual instruments began in the 90s, developing a tool to generate music from the horoscope . At that time he also created his own algorithmic composition system. Unfortunately, he did not do so well as a musician: his intention to release several CDs had to be canceled due to the cessation of activity of his record company. Later, he would deviate from his initial path by working as an editor for several specialized German magazines.

But in 2003 he decided to make music again, and dusted off his algorithms. Elogoxa 's Sun Ra synth —yes, the group of developers led by Carlos Mateo " Texvo ", to which this very blog is dedicated—discovered Jeff McClintock's SynthEdit platform , and there was no turning back. In 2003 he released his first proprietary synth, Wheel of Fortune , as a subset of his algorithmic system. And then, many more synths. Only in our coverage here at Hispasonic we count 19 plugins:

STS-33 (July 2008)

The Dreammachine (September 2008)

The Dreammachine 2 (December 2008)

Atonoise (February 2009)

Alionoctis (March 2009)

X-Wheel of Fortune 6 (May 2009)

Swamp XT (June 2009)

Arracis Gold (October 2009)

Alien Space Weaver (December 2009)

Plutonia (January 2010)

The Dreammachine 3 (April 2010)

Avatar ST (August 2010)

Alphatron (September 2010)

ScapesWizard (December 2010)

Altair 4 (April 2011)

UltraSwamp (May 2011)

Serenity (June 2011)

Arracis Gold Pro (December 2013)

Avatar ST Pro (August 2014)

Thanks to his generosity – he released his entire collection before he died – you will find them all, and a few more, on the Archive.org page dedicated to HG Fortune . They are only for Windows, but even maqueros should try them; It doesn't cost that much to virtualize Windows, if in exchange you get such a peculiar sound.

The news of his death reached specialized forums last November 2014. Apparently, a devastating cancer took him in a very short time, at the age of 60. This same week – specifically on May 6 – he would have turned 61.

From here, the best tribute we can pay him is to download his synths and make music with them. Have a good trip, Günter.



Günter's band Aldebaran (on the left) in concert in Bevern/Forst (1976)



HG Fortune con su SCI Pro One y Roland TR 808 en 1984



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Links

<https://hgfortune.neocities.org/?/about>

<https://rekkerd.org/tag/hg-fortune/>

<https://archive.org/download/HGFortuneNFG>

HGF SpaceWorlds by HG Fortune, Inner Dreamer

https://archive.org/details/HGF_SpaceWorlds/01_Inner_Dreamer_-_Song_of_M31.mp3

H.G. Fortune - AIO- 24.10.2023 - 1,73 GB - List

H.G. Fortune - Alien Space Weaver VSTi
H.G. Fortune - AlioNoctis-Pro v1.b VSTi
H.G. Fortune - Alpatron-Pro-v1.1 VSTi
H.G. Fortune - AlpatronSE-Special Edition VSTi
H.G. Fortune - Altair-4b-2012 VSTi (2009)
H.G. Fortune - Anvilia - Computer Music Magazin Special Edition v1.0 beta c4 VSTi
H.G. Fortune - Anvilia Midi Musiker Edition v1.3 B VSTi
H.G. Fortune - Anvilia Pro v1.2 VSTi
H.G. Fortune - ArracisGold-Pro v1.3 VSTi (2014)
H.G. Fortune - Asw-Pro-NFG VSTi
H.G. Fortune - Atonoise-Pro v1.1 VSTi & VST (Synth & Effect)
H.G. Fortune - Avatar ST-Pro-v1.2a VSTi (2012)
H.G. Fortune - Cookie 06 VSTi (X-Mas gift)
H.G. Fortune - DrumBurst X-824 v1.0 VSTi
H.G. Fortune - GhostMachine WoF Edition 2012 VSTi
H.G. Fortune - LaserBlade-Pro-2011 VSTi
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H.G. Fortune - Plutonia v1.1 VSTi
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H.G. Fortune - Prototype X VSTi (Dark Pulsating Pad Synth)
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H.G. Fortune - STS-21 Pro VSTi
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H.G. Fortune - STS-33 PRO VSTi
H.G. Fortune - SwampXT-Pro-VSTi

H.G. Fortune - The Dreammachine v1.2 VSTi
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H.G. Fortune - The Dreammachine v3.03 VSTi
H.G. Fortune - The Tiger Beta 0.8c VSTi - Free
H.G. Fortune - Umbra v1.1 (Synth Player) VSTi
H.G. Fortune - X-Wheel of Fortune Pro v1.2b VSTi
H.G. Fortune - X-Wheel of Fortune Pro v3 v1.0.0.1 VSTi
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