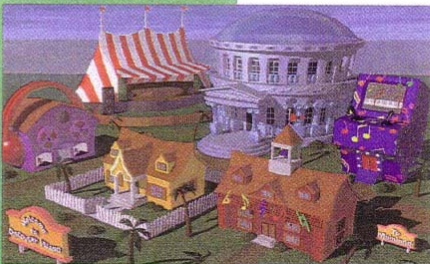# Piano Discovery System

The Computer Music Tutor

Creative Insights' Piano Discovery System teams up with your computer to take the hard part out of learning music and turn it into an interactive adventure.

Each time your child sits down with the Piano Discovery System, they'll enter a world of fun and music, choosing from instruction, practice, performance with a backup orchestra, recording, music games, and just plain jammin' fun!

The Piano Discovery System include a complete music teaching course on CD-ROM, with a broad curriculum spanning both piano playing techniques and general music knowledge, including reading music notation. Learning with the Piano Discovery System will allow the student ample ability to perform on any keyboard type instrument, including acoustic piano, organ, synthesizers, etc.

The Piano Discovery System also comes with a professional quality, 4-octave keyboard with velocity-sensitive, full-size keys. It plugs directly into the joystick port on SoundBlaster (and compatible) soundcards, so the soundcard and speakers in the host PC system provide the music.

The Target Market

The Piano Discovery System is targeted at families with children, ages 6—14, who use the computer.

The system should be displayed and promoted consistently with this target market, generally in those sections of the store where educational software products are sold.

Discovery Island

Discovery Island is the main menu for the Piano Discovery System. Students navigate throughout the Island with the mouse, and then enter whimsical buildings to learn music through instruction or fun and games. The progress of each student is constantly checked by a patented evaluation method that takes into account the student's age. It's the most sophisticated and the most fun-filled way to learn piano.

Piano Discovery System features

- Easy to install and use.
- Comprehensive instruction in a wide range of basic music theory and piano playing techniques.
- The Jam Stage gets students quickly playing cool stuff—way before they even learn notation!
- Friendly music tutors teach through live narration each step of the way.
- Play along with music displayed on your computer screen.
- Lessons teach children the most popular music styles from Bach to Rock.
- Patented evaluation software tracks your child's progress.
- Simple enough for beginners, with a breadth of lessons to cover all the way up through advanced lessons.
- Exciting music games and other musical activities make learning fun and help get you to the next level!

The Piano Discovery System includes:

- Piano Discovery System Software for Windows on CD-ROM
- Streamlined professional keyboard with 49 full-size, velocity-sensitive keys
- One DB-15 to DB-15 computer interface cable to connect to your Soundcard's joystick port (the only cable necessary).

The Discovery Arcade

Every lesson includes a trip to the Discovery Arcade. Three, fun video games reinforce the lessons of notation, music theory, chords, and rhythm taught in the interactive classroom. Ducks, Ripchord, and Aliens! each let students play while they're learning to play.
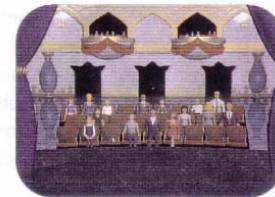
The Discovery Schoolhouse

Students can "go to music school" and learn in a fun and animated interactive classroom. Two friendly tutors guide your child with text screens and live narration. Students learn at their own level and pace. By the end of the first lesson, they won't just be playing, they'll be playing with the Discovery Island Orchestra

Discovery Jam Stage

When it's time for a fun break, join the action at the Discovery Island Jam Stage. Here, everyone gets a chance to perform like a star, even if they've never played before. Students can choose from a short list of pre-programmed music styles and then start jammin'! While they perform, the crowd cheers and the sky fills with fireworks.

Discovery Performance Hall

When students have practiced and are ready for their big recital, the Discovery Performance Hall gives them the perfect venue. Accompanied by the sophisticated, multi- instrument Discovery Orchestra, every student gets the chance to perform songs from their lessons.

Island Bungalow

The private practice room, where each student can practice their lessons or rehearse for their master recital in the Discovery Performance Hall.

Discovery Studios

Inside Discovery Studios you'll find a fully equipped 16 track recording studio. Use the power of your PC Soundcard to create your own songs and recordings. Play solos or jam along with over one-hundred songs. For fun, try changing the instruments and listen along!

Minimum System Requirements

- IBM PC or compatible computer, 386/25MHz.
- 4 Mbytes of RAM
- Single speed CD ROM drive
- SVGA display (640X480, 256 colors)
- Windows 3.1, DOS 3.3 or higher
- Sound Blaster 16 or compatible sound card