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### **MAKEMUSIC AND GARRITAN TO PRODUCE ABBEY ROAD SOUND PRODUCTS**

*Upcoming libraries will allow musicians to create with sounds made famous by the Beatles, Pink Floyd*

**Minneapolis – May 1, 2012** – MakeMusic, Inc. (NASDAQ: MMUS) today announced an agreement with London’s Abbey Road Studios to produce a series of Garritan products including libraries featuring sounds associated with the acclaimed recording facility. Under the terms of the unprecedented five-year agreement, MakeMusic will team with Abbey Road Studios to continuously develop new innovations in sound technology.

Abbey Road is the home of the most celebrated recording studios in the world. Within its walls popular music was forever changed through the innovative audio manipulation by the Beatles, Pink Floyd and countless others. Many of the sounds found on iconic recordings from the 1930s to today are the product of the unique collection of instruments, microphones, famed custom analog outboard gear and legendary acoustics of Abbey Road Studios. For the first time ever, MakeMusic plans to create comprehensive, authorized libraries of these sounds.

“Garritan creations are works of art,” said Karen van Lith, MakeMusic CEO. “The combination of Garritan artistry with MakeMusic’s resources and discipline made this multiple product partnership with Abbey Road possible. New sounds ignite the imaginations of the musicians who use them, and the resulting music inspires us all. We are dedicated to the creation of exceptional virtual instrument sounds because we believe they will play an increasing role in the future of digital music.”

Garritan offers an entire family of world-class sound libraries including the industry-changing Garritan Personal Orchestra. These libraries can be used with Finale and other music notation programs, as well as in sequencing and digital audio workstation software.

“Gary Garritan's reputation for quality, fidelity and innovation is a perfect match for Abbey Road Studios as we expand our range of premium sampled instruments,” said Mirek Stiles, head of audio products at Abbey Road Studios. “We look forward to working with Gary and his skilled team in creating a line of beautiful titles that really encapsulate the historic technical excellence and unique acoustic properties of Abbey Road Studios.”

“The opportunity to work with Abbey Road is a dream come true,” said Gary Garritan, MakeMusic's director of instrumental sciences. “To capture the most sought-after sounds in

popular music and provide them for future generations of musicians is a great honor and will truly be a labor of love.”

More information about Garritan and other MakeMusic brands can be found at [makemusic.com](http://makemusic.com).

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#### **About MakeMusic, Inc.**

MakeMusic®, Inc. is a world leader in music technology whose mission is to develop and market solutions that transform how music is composed, taught, learned and performed. For more than 20 years, **Finale**® has been the industry standard in music notation software, enabling composers, arrangers, musicians, teachers, students and publishers to create, edit, audition, print and publish musical scores. MakeMusic is also the creator of **SmartMusic**® education software that is transforming the way students practice. With SmartMusic, students and teachers have access to thousands of band, orchestra and vocal pieces allowing students to practice with background accompaniment and get immediate feedback on their performance. SmartMusic allows teachers to individualize instruction and document the progress of every student. The **SmartMusic® Inbox**™, an Android™ and Apple® mobile application, provides additional access for teachers to review, grade and comment on student assignments. **MusicXML**™ is an Internet-friendly way to publish musical scores, enabling musicians to distribute interactive sheet music online and to use sheet music files with a wide variety of musical applications. **Garritan**™ sound libraries provide musicians with state-of-the-art virtual instruments with the playback quality of a live performance. Additional information about this Minnesota company can be found at [www.makemusic.com](http://www.makemusic.com).

#### **Cautionary Statements**

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