



Soundbank Manual

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Introduction



Aurora - Textured Piano

UVI Aurora comes from the need for a creative, modern-oriented piano sound - reinforcing the piano's powerful tonal signature with a wide range of curated textural elements and atmospheres for a completely new, and uniquely expressive experience.

From playful and delicate to brooding and atmospheric, the sounds of Aurora are rich with emotion and deep with creative possibility. Explore new inspirations, create breathtaking sonic tapestries, and rediscover the piano as an innovative and definitively modern studio instrument.

Creative Multi-Layer Engine

The sounds of Aurora are threaded together with 3 discrete sonic signatures; a concert grand piano, a dual-layer texture engine, and an atmosphere layer - each deeply editable, offering unique emotional components that can be sculpted to create evocative new instruments.

An Exquisite Acoustic Grand

Aurora's piano sound is based on a world-class concert grand recorded at the renowned Guillaume Tell sound stage in Paris. This meticulously sampled piano offers an extraordinarily natural playing experience, accurately relaying the most subtle and nuanced performances thanks to a combination of deep-sampling and advanced scripting.

Textures and Atmosphere

Aurora expands on the piano's distinct sound with a curated selection of textures and atmospheres. Explore dozens of unique augmentations and custom-made sonic reinforcements, arranged in categories including: Attack, Keys, Machines, Material, Nature, Orchestra, Electronic, Keyboard, and World.

Deep Sound Design

Each of Aurora's 3 discrete sound engines is outfitted with its own editor, offering powerful and intuitive controls over source, amplitude, pitch, dynamics, and tone, while a dual LFO modulation engine and integrated Motion designer allow you to easily and precisely add movement throughout your patch.

Semi-Modular FX

The sounds of Aurora are only the beginning thanks to an all-new semi-modular effects engine. 3 customizable effect slots can be outfitted with any combination of Drive, Tone, Grains, Flanger, Chorus, Phaser, Redux, and Convolver, with dedicated multimode Delay and Reverb, EQ, and Limiter effects to finalize your sound. Over 50 creative preset chains are included, arranged in categories including: Cloud, Echo, Experimental, Lo-Fi, Phase, and Room.

Powerful One-Knob Controls

Quickly make broad stroke changes to your sound with powerful one-knob controls on Aurora's main page, including: Color, Dynamics, Mute, and Intensity. Here you can also quickly explore Aurora's library of effect chains, adjust overall effect mix, and set the limiter threshold. Each of these parameters make for powerful performance controls, perfect for automation.

Incredible Presets

Aurora comes with an incredible selection of factory presets, offering unique sonic visions hand-crafted by the sound designers at UVI and some of today's most innovative piano artists, including: Julia Gjertsen, Ben Crosland, Akira Kosemura, Joe Kirby, Ole-Bjørn Talstad, Avid Holst, and Dustin O'Halloran. Discover new inspirations, tweak to taste, or craft your own from scratch.

Aurora is a powerful and distinctly modern interpretation of the piano, offering a wide range of new sound signatures, rich with emotional resonance and new expressive landscapes to explore.

Minimum System Requirements

- Latest version of UVI Workstation or Falcon
- 4.45GB of disk space

For more information on the installation process, please refer to the document: [Install Guide](#)

User Interface - Main



1 ▶ Preset Menus

- » **Presets** - Change presets with drop-down menu or by using the [Λ] [ν] buttons
- » **Options** - Click to access the commands by drop-down menu
- Load - To load a user preset
- Save - To save a new preset

2 ▶ Pages

Change current page: Main, Edit and FX

- » **Global FX On-Off** - Click the dot above FX label to enable/disable the section globally

3 ▶ Master Volume

Set the global output level with VU

4 ▶ Settings



- » **MIDI Curve** - Click-drag to adjust the curve of MIDI response
- » **Polyphony** - Set the global polyphony
- » **Balance** - Adjust the volume balance of the high and low keys
- » **Pitch Bend** - Set the global pitchbend range
- » **Sustain Pedal** - Set the pedal (CC#64) control mode
 - Piano* - The messages only feeds to the Piano layer
 - Classic* - The messages will feeds to all three layers

5 ▶ Layers

- » **Power** - Click the toggle to enable the layer
- » **Piano** - Standard piano sound. Click the label to access the Piano Edit page. See [Page 7](#) for more detail
- » **Texture** - Dual layer texture samples. Click the label to open Texture Edit page. See [Page 8](#) for more detail
- » **Atmosphere** - Atmosphere sound. Click the label to open Atmosphere Edit page. See [Page 9](#) for more detail

6 ▶ Motion

- » **Power** - Click the toggle to enable the Motion sequencer
- » **Motion** - Click the label to access the Motion Editor. See [Page 6](#) for more detail

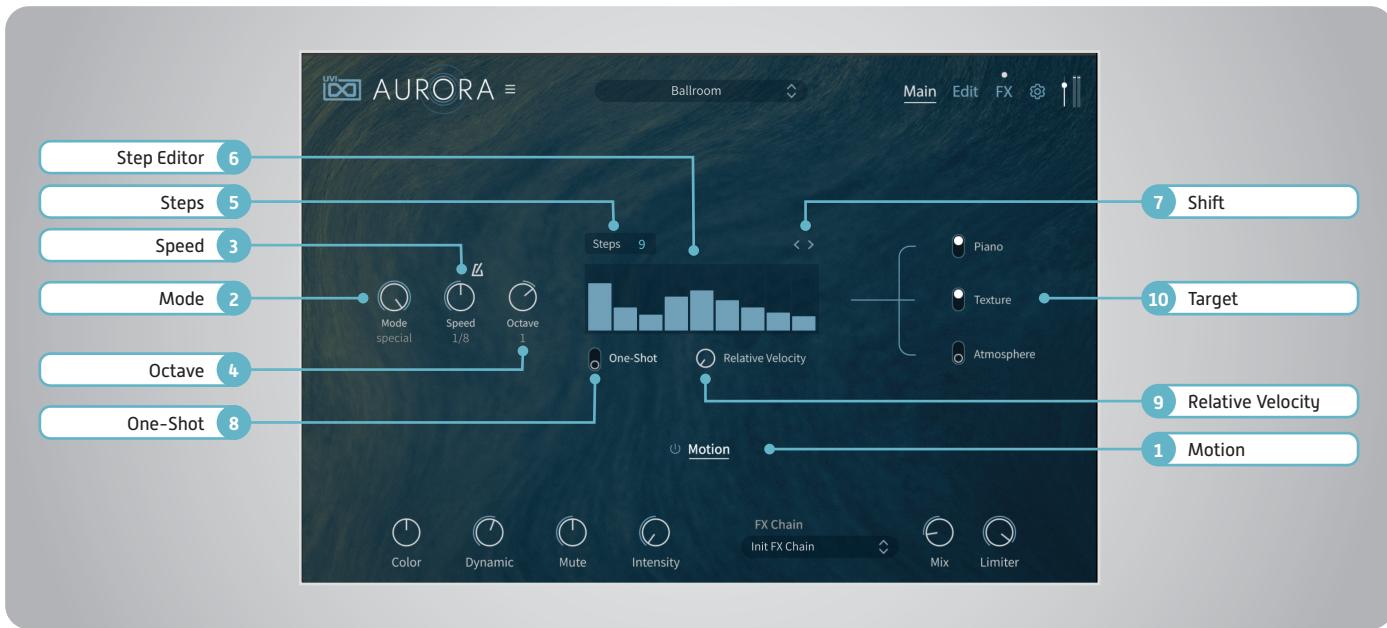
7 ▶ Performance Macros

- » **Color** - Changes tonal-color based on the adjacent samples
- » **Dynamic** - Adjusts the dynamic response
- » **Mute** - Adjusts the length limitation of the samples
- » **Intensity** - Adjusts the intensity of the performance

8 ▶ Effects

- » **FX Chain** - Select FX Chain preset with drop-down menu or by using the [Λ] [ν] buttons
- » **Mix** - Adjusts the FX Chain/dry balance
- » **Limiter** - Adjusts the threshold level of the Maximizer

User Interface - Main (Motion Editor)



1 ▶ Motion

- » **Power** - Click the toggle to enable the Motion sequencer
- » **Motion** - Click the label to switch back to the Main page

2 ▶ Mode

Click to set the arpeggiator motion:

Played - Keys as pressed order

Up - Upward arpeggiation

Down - Downward arpeggiation

Up Down - Alternate upward and downward

Chord - Repeat chord

Special - Musical random arpeggiation

3 ▶ Speed

Set the arpeggiation speed [step duration]

- » **Host Sync** - Enable/disable the motion speed sync to host (DAW project) tempo

4 ▶ Octave

Set the octave shift of the arpeggiation

5 ▶ Steps

Set the number of steps

6 ▶ Step Editor

Click-drag to set the velocity

7 ▶ Shift

Shift a step ahead or behind by using the [<] and [>] arrows

8 ▶ One-Shot

Toggle One-Shot mode on/off

9 ▶ Relative Velocity

Adjusts strength of the input velocity influence on the step's velocity

10 ▶ Target

Set the arpeggiator target layer

User Interface - Edit (Piano Layer)



1 ▶ Mics

- » **Power** - Click the switch to toggle the mic on/off
- » **Gain** - Adjust the mic level
- » **Close** - Stereo close mic channel
- » **Cinematic** - Stereo mic channel
- » **Mono** - Mono mic channel

2 ▶ Gain & Pitch

- » **Gain** - Adjust the layer gain
- » **Dynamic** - Adjusts the dynamics response
- » **Pitch** - Adjust the layer pitch
- » **Smooth** - Set the velocity amount of LP 6dB/oct filter for smooth timbre changes

3 ▶ Mixer / Tone

- » **Mixer** - Click the label to access the mixer
- » **Level** - Adjust the volume of the sound
- » **HP** - Adjust the frequency of the sound high-pass filter
- » **Release** - Controls the release sample
- » **Resonance** - Controls the sympathetic resonance sound
- » **Pedal** - Controls the pedal action sound
- » **Key Off** - Controls the key release action sound
- » **Tone** - Click the label to access the 2-Band shelving EQ



- » **Low Band** - Cut/boost the low frequencies +/- 24dB
- » **High Band** - Cut/boost the high frequencies +/- 24dB

4 ▶ Amp Envelope

- » **ADSR** - Adjust the layer level over time using an Attack/Decay/Sustain/Release envelope
- » **R** - Parameters will affect the release sample in True Release mode
- » **True Release** - Enables release sample

5 ▶ LFO A & B

- » **Power** - Click to disable the LFO
- » **Mode** - Set the voice mode between Legato and Retrigger
- » **Host Sync** - Enable/disable the modulation sync to host (DAW project) tempo
- » **Shape** - Select the modulation shape
- » **Phase** - Adjust the LFO start phase
- » **Frequency** - Adjust the modulation speed
- » **Host Sync Off** - Set the speed in Hz
- » **Host Sync On** - Set the speed in musical units such as 1/4, 1/8 dots, 1/16 triplet and so on
- » **Depth** - Set the modulation depth amount

▶ Modulation Edit



Internally-modulatable parameters have small mod knobs at the left of their main knobs

Click-drag the available mod knobs to set the modulation amount. You can also click the Open Modulation Panel button for more precise control

At the right of modulatable parameters, click the  button to open the Modulation Panel

↳ **[Undo Edits]** - Click to exit the editor without changes

X [Close] - Click to close the editor

User Interface - Edit (Texture Layer)



1 ▶ Texture Samples A & B

- » **Sample** - Select Texture sample with drop-down menu or by using the **[A]** [**v**] buttons
- » **Pitch** - Adjust the pitch of the sample
- » **Humanize** - Enables randomization

2 ▶ Gain Controls

- » **Gain** - Adjust the layer gain
- » **Dynamic** - Adjusts the dynamics response
- » **Width** - Adjusts the stereo width
- » **Smooth** - Set the velocity amount of LP 6dB/oct filter for smooth timbre changes
- » **A/B Balance** - Adjusts the balance between the Texture sample A and B

3 ▶ Settings / Tone

- » **Settings** - Click the label to access the voice controls
- » **Voice mode** - Set the voice mode
 - Polyphonic** - Polyphonic mode
 - Monophonic** - Mono mode
- » **Pitch Key Tracking** - Pitch follow the incoming note
- » **Pan Key Tracking** - Pan position follows the incoming note
- » **Tone** - Click the label to access the 2-Band shelving EQ



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4 ▶ Amp Envelope

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 - D/S/R parameters will affect the release sample in True Release mode

5 ▶ LFO A & B

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- » **Mode** - Set the voice mode between Legato and Retrigger
- » **Host Sync**  - Enable/disable the modulation sync to host (DAW project) tempo
- » **Shape** - Select the modulation shape
- » **Phase** - Adjust the LFO start phase
- » **Frequency** - Adjust the modulation speed
 - Host Sync Off** - Set the speed in Hz
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User Interface - Edit (Atmosphere Layer)



1 ▶ Sample

Select Atmosphere sample with drop-down menu or by using the $[\wedge]$ $[\vee]$ buttons

2 ▶ Gain & Pitch

- » **Gain** - Adjust the layer gain
- » **Dynamic** - Adjusts the dynamics response
- » **Smooth** - Set the velocity amount of LP 6dB/oct filter for smooth timbre changes
- » **Pitch** - Adjust the layer pitch
- » **Octave** - Octave shift the layer
- » **Width** - Adjusts the stereo width

3 ▶ Tone

- » **Low Band** - Cut/boost the low frequencies +/- 24dB
- » **High Band** - Cut/boost the high frequencies +/- 24dB

4 ▶ Amp Envelope

- » **ADSR** - Adjust the layer level over time using an Attack/Decay/Sustain/Release envelope
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5 ▶ LFO A & B

- » **Power**  - Click to disable the LFO
- » **Mode** - Set the voice mode between Legato and Retrigger
- » **Host Sync**  - Enable/disable the modulation sync to host (DAW project) tempo
- » **Shape** - Select the modulation shape
- » **Phase** - Adjust the LFO start phase
- » **Frequency** - Adjust the modulation speed
Host Sync Off - Set the speed in Hz
Host Sync On - Set the speed in musical units such as 1/4, 1/8 dots, 1/16 triplet and so on
- » **Depth** - Set the modulation depth amount

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User Interface - FX



1 ➤ FX Chain Preset

- » **FX Chain** - Select FX Chain preset with dropdown menu or by using the [Λ] [ν] buttons
- » **Save ↴** - Click to save the current FX Chain status as user preset
- » **Load ➔** - Click to load the user FX Chain preset

2 ➤ Effect Slots

5 effect slots available for the chain. The first three slots are assignable and the last two are fixed with Delay and Reverb. See [Page 11](#) for available effects and details

- » **Power** - Click to enable/disable the effect
- » **Effect Name** - Click to access the effect controls
- » **FX Selector** - Click the [ν] button next to effect name to choose an effect for the slot
- » **Drive** - Multi-mode overdrive
- » **Tone** - Combo tone stacking effect
- » **Grains** - Granular effect
- » **Flanger** - Classic flanger
- » **Chorus** - Multi-voice chorus
- » **Phasor** - Multi-stage phase effect
- » **Redux** - Multi-model classic lo-fi emulator
- » **Convolver** - IR-based tonal effect
- » **Delay modes**
 - » **Digital** - Typical digital delay
 - » **Tape** - Tape Echo
 - » **Diffusion** - An ambient wash of echoes
 - » **Velvet** - A smooth aura of echoes
- » **Reverb modes**
 - » **Parametric** - Sparkverb
 - » **Hall** - IR-based hall reverb with various type
 - » **Cathedral** - IR-based cathedral reverb with various types
 - » **Plate** - IRs from UVI Plate plugin
 - » **Spring** - IR-based spring reverb with various types
 - » **Surreal** - IR-based special reverb with various types

3 ➤ FX Controls

The effect parameters are varied by the effect [and the mode]. See [Page 11](#) for details

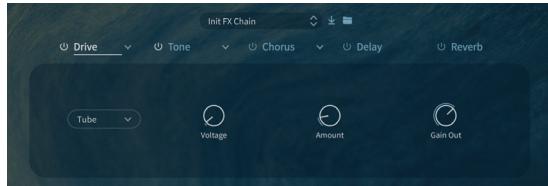
4 ➤ EQ

- » **Power** - Click to enable/disable the effect
- » **High** - Set the high frequency band gain
- » **Mid** - Set the mid frequency band gain
- » **Low** - Set the low frequency band gain
- » **f [Crossover Frequency]** - Set the frequency between low and mid bands, and between mid and high bands

5 ➤ Output

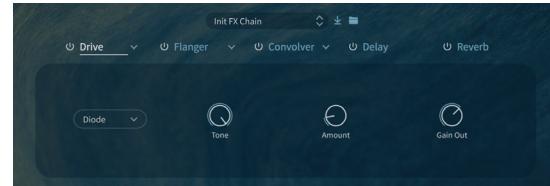
- » **Gain Out** - Set the output gain
- » **Mix** - Adjusts the FX Chain/dry balance

The Effects



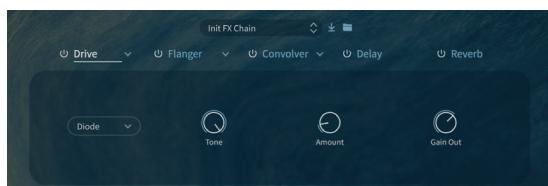
Drive - Tube (TS Overdrive)

- » **Mode** - Set the drive mode
- » **Voltage** - Set the tube voltage
- » **Amount** - Set the effect amount
- » **Gain Out** - Set the output gain



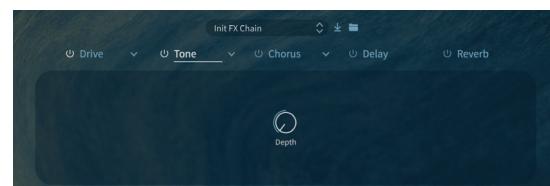
Drive - Diode (Clipper)

- » **Mode** - Set the drive mode
- » **Tone** - Set the diode tone
- » **Amount** - Set the effect amount
- » **Gain Out** - Set the output gain



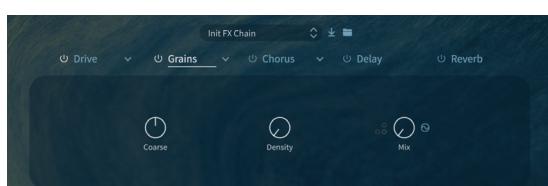
Drive - Digital (Waveshaper)

- » **Mode** - Set the drive mode
- » **Shape** - Set the digital shape
- » **Amount** - Set the effect amount
- » **Gain Out** - Set the output gain



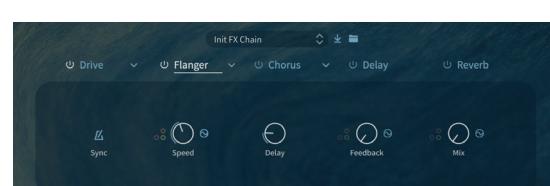
Tone

- » **Depth** - Adjust the effect depth



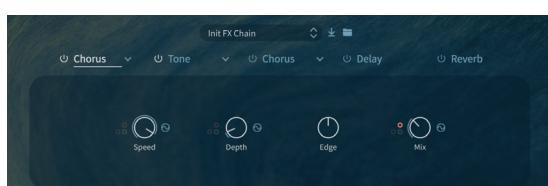
Grains

- » **Coarse** - Adjust the grain size
- » **Density** - Set the amount of the grains
- » **Mix** - Set the effect dry/wet balance



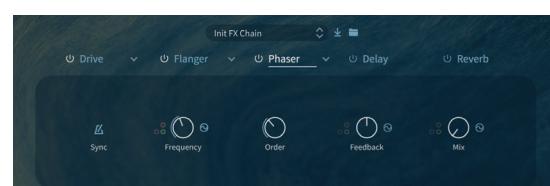
Flanger

- » **Host Sync** - Enable/disable the modulation speed sync to host (DAW project) tempo
- » **Speed** - Set the modulation speed
- » **Delay** - Set the delay time
- » **Feedback** - Set the delay feedback amount
- » **Mix** - Set the effect dry/wet balance



Chorus

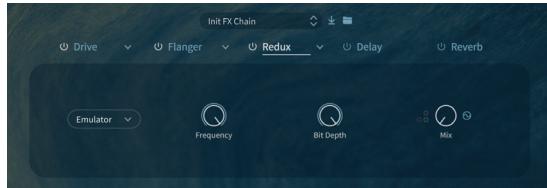
- » **Speed** - Set the modulation speed
- » **Depth** - Set the modulation depth
- » **Edge** - Set the color of the chorus
- » **Mix** - Set the effect dry/wet balance



Phaser

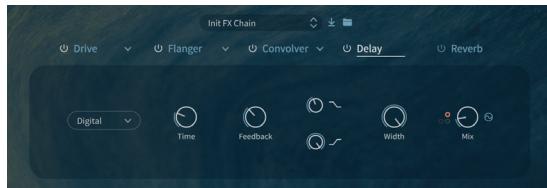
- » **Host Sync** - Enable/disable the modulation speed sync to host (DAW project) tempo
- » **Frequency** - Set the modulation speed
- » **Order** - Set the number of the phaser stage
- » **Feedback** - Set the delay feedback amount
- » **Mix** - Set the effect dry/wet balance

The Effects



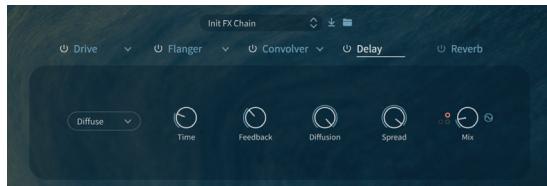
Redux

- » **Mode** - Set the reduction model: Emulator, Sp12, Linn 9000, Mirage and Extreme
- » **Frequency** - Set the sample rate reduction
- » **Bit Depth** - Set the bit reduction
- » **Mix** - Set the effect dry/wet balance



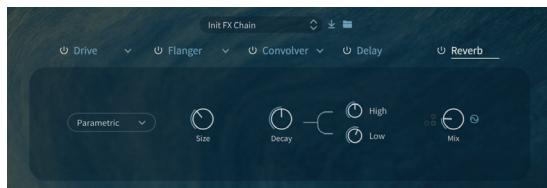
Delay - Digital

- » **Mode** - Set the delay mode
- » **Time** - Set the delay time
- » **Feedback** - Set the delay feedback amount
- » **LP** - Low-pass filter for the delay signal
- » **HP** - High-pass filter for the delay signal
- » **Width** - Adjusts the stereo width
- » **Mix** - Set the dry/wet balance



Delay - Diffusion

- » **Mode** - Set the delay mode
- » **Time** - Set the delay time
- » **Feedback** - Set the delay feedback amount
- » **Diffusion** - Set the amount of diffusion (echo density)
- » **Spread** - Set the time spread of the diffusion
- » **Mix** - Set the dry/wet balance



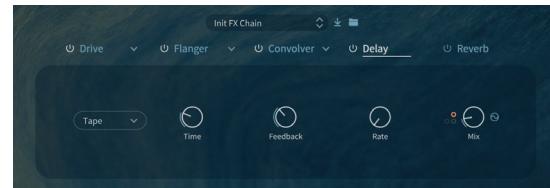
Reverb - Parametric

- » **Mode** - Set the reverb mode
- » **Size** - Set the reverb room size
- » **Decay** - Set the reverb decay time
- » **High** - Set the decay ratio (relative to the main Decay time) for higher frequencies
- » **Low** - Set the decay ratio for lower frequencies
- » **Mix** - Set the dry/wet balance



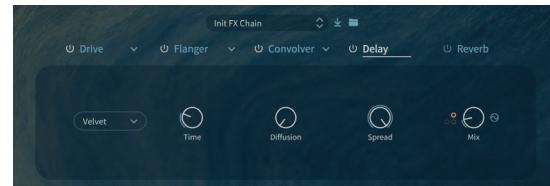
Convolver

- » **Mode** - Select the IR, from category; Device, Speaker and Unconventional
- » **Mix** - Set the effect dry/wet balance



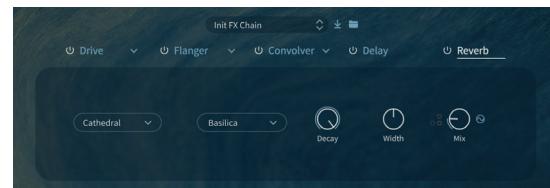
Delay - Tape

- » **Mode** - Set the delay mode
- » **Time** - Set the delay time
- » **Feedback** - Set the delay feedback amount
- » **Rate** - Set the rate of delay repeats
- » **Mix** - Set the dry/wet balance



Delay - Velvet

- » **Mode** - Set the delay mode
- » **Time** - Set the delay time
- » **Diffusion** - Set the amount of diffusion (echo density)
- » **Spread** - Set the time spread of the diffusion
- » **Mix** - Set the dry/wet balance



Reverb - Hall/Cathedral/Plate/Spring/Surreal

- » **Mode** - Set the reverb mode
- » **Type** - Set the reverb type
- » **Decay** - Set the reverb decay time
- » **Width** - Adjusts the stereo width
- » **Mix** - Set the dry/wet balance

Preset List

00 Natural

Ballroom
 Clanky Keys
 Compact Piano
 Concert Grand
 Cotton Felt
 Dark Transmission
 Felt Grand
 Grand Baroque
 Heartfelt
 Heavy Feather
 Intimate
 Jazz Cellar
 Lone Venue
 Mellow Resonant
 Old School
 Organic Keys
 Pastel
 Phase Funk
 Pocket Piano
 Portrait
 Pure Warm
 Radio Felt
 Underneath
 Versailles
 Vibrations
 West Saloon

02 Motion

Aroma
 Borealis
 Briskdash
 Cascade
 Chernobyl
 Cyberwar
 Distant Land
 Doppler
 Fading Away
 Flowers
 Galaxy
 Halder
 Hidden Library
 Last Winter
 Metamorph
 Momentum
 Muted Roller
 Night Talk
 Ocean Way
 Platform
 Rausch
 Renewal
 Resonances
 Seafarer
 Wonders

04 Processed

Blue Key
 Close Contact
 Fading Away
 Friction
 Granularity
 Iceberg
 Impulsion
 Interference
 Knopper
 Korok Forest
 Lost Tape
 Moonlight
 New Lands
 Quiet Places
 Sand Dune
 Sharp Radio
 Small Key
 Small Toy
 Subliminal
 Uncertainty
 Vintage Radio

06 Artists

Akira Kosemura
 Cathedral Piano
 Felt Beat Piano
 Ohmu With Nausicaa
 Oriental Leed
 Palace Piano
Arvid Holst
 The Arp
 The Cloud
 The Distant Giant
 The Felted Harpsichord
 The Heart
 The Indie
 The Leader
 The Magnificent
 The Mute
 The Mythical
 The Never Ending
 The Pad
 The Wurlitzer
Ben Crosland
 Afterthought
 Cinematic 5ths
 Delicato
 Distoria
 Focused Motion
 Furball
 Paper Piano
 Spies In The Undergrowth
 Sugar Puffs
 That Old Thing
Dustin O'Halloran
 12 Steps Under The Sea
 Clouds Of Sand
 Dark Felt Grand
 Dark Grand
 Felt Cathedral
 Glass Harmonica
 Movement in 3
 Muted Felt
 Muted Sequence
 Oscilate Upward
 Sea Dub
 Six Steps of Dust
 The Moon And The Melodies

Joe Kirby
 Airy Bass
 Cinematic Pad
 Emotion Pad
 Far Away Piano
 Fat Bass
 Grand Stand
 Island Life
 Joe Drone
 Joe Felt Grand
 Joe Felt Upright
 Pick Up Sticks
 Space Rhodes
 Vibes
 Windowsill
 Windy Synth
Julia Gjertsen
 Alta
 Birds
 Cold To Talk
 Crane Piano
 Ice Piano
 Nordlys
 Pyramiden
 Skazka
 Tosh
 Under Snow
 Wind Dance
 Yoko

Ole-Bjorn Tilstad
 Azur
 Bloodline
 Candles
 Cloud Ballet
 Introspection
 Jupiter
 Light Field
 Moon Thoughts
 Naturalis
 Nostalgia
 Quiet Eyes
 Singularity
 Submarine
 Thunder
 Treasure

01 Augmented

Broken Honky
 Church Day
 Close Mechanics
 Deep Ocean
 Droplets
 Emergent
 Empty Vessel
 Frosted
 Gothic Mansion
 High Echoes
 Kingdom
 Low Line
 Mono Candle
 Morning Rain
 Old Record
 Osaka
 Plume
 Tack Bar
 Toy Box
 Vibration

03 Ambient

Arctic Wind
 Conclusion
 Desert Walk
 Disintegration
 Distant Tines
 Dragonfly
 Dystopy
 Floating Point
 Levitation
 Lighthouse
 Lost
 Ondulation
 Ouverture
 Planisphere
 Postcard
 River Tales
 Sand Blast
 Seaside
 Sky Dive
 Subdued
 Sunset
 Warm Up
 Wash Out
 Whales

05 Experimental

All Alone
 Demons
 Digitalism
 Forth Repeat
 Imperial
 Nebulae
 Pluck Ghost
 Pointillist
 Proxima
 Seabed
 Snowman
 Wires

Links

UVI

Home	uvi.net/ 
UVI Portal	uvi.net/uvi-portal 
SonicPass	uvi.net/sonicpass 
Manage Your Products	uvi.net/download-with-portal 
Soundbank Installation Guide	installing_uvi_soundbanks_en.pdf 
UVI Workstation User Guide	uviworkstation_user_guide_en.pdf 
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Credits and Thanks

Produced by UVI

Recording / Editing / Sound Design

Vincenzo Bellanova	Ben Crosland
Tanguy Destré	Alain J Etchart
Théo Gallienne	Julia Gjertsen
Carlo De Gregorio	Kévin Guilhaumou
Arvid Holst	Joe Kirby
Akira Kosemura	Dustin O'Halloran
Ole-Bjorn Talstad	Emeric Tschambser
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