

## MacMAD

2200 Hall Rd  
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### Next 3rd Tuesday Program

Tuesday, April 20, 2004  
Melbourne Public Library, 7pm

## GarageBand

#### Videographer-Photographer (former Time-

Life) Jim Cheal will walk us through GarageBand, the newest member of Apple's iLife family. GarageBand makes it easy to create and record your own music. "Nothing out there compares with it!" says Cheal.

Don't forget to plan on joining the MacMAD gang for dinner (or snack!) following the meeting.

**TELL-A-FRIEND: Bring your Mac Problems to 1st Wednesday Help, May 5!**

Eau Gallie Public Library, 7pm

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Tuesday Night Program, April 20, 7 pm at Melbourne Public Library, Fee Avenue.

## What's GarageBand?

From Apple: "GarageBand turns your Mac into an anytime, anywhere recording studio packed with hundreds of instruments and a recording engineer or two for good measure. It's the easiest way to create, perform and record your own music whether you're an accomplished player or just wish you were a rock star. And GarageBand is the newest member of the iLife family, so you can add your original music to your slideshows, your DVD menus, burn it to CDs or score your iMovie projects.

Our Nano Bits reporter spoke with videographer-photographer Jim Cheal, who will show us on Tuesday night how GarageBand works. "Apple hit a home run with this one," Jim said. He thinks the value is so high and the price is so low, he feels like "they're giving it away!"

Cheal uses GarageBand to make up his own music for his videos. "Music is my hobby now. While doing a video, I got to thinking why not go ahead and make the music up myself. The clients seem to enjoy it."

He said he's not a musician, but, he said, "I play at the keyboard. Listen to this, it sounds exactly how a guitar sounds." He demonstrated how you can strum the GarageBand guitar, or twang the strings. He was right, it sounded exactly like a guitar. And he says it's easy to use.

"This is the best value Apple has had since I've had a Mac — that's 1992," Jim said. "There's nothing out there like it. I have a friend who is a well known jazz musician. He's been pulling his hair out on PCs. Within ten minutes he was writing songs and said "where can I get a Mac?" Cheal says a lot of professional musicians are using GarageBand as a sketch pad to work out songs and music.

Jim Cheal thinks GarageBand is reason enough to upgrade to OS-X, or switch to a Mac. On Tuesday night, he'll show us why.

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