



KerrStinn

Kerrstinn is a slicer, glitcher and loop dissector.

Installation

On windows, unzip and place in your vst directory. On OS X unzip and put it in your /Library/Audio/Plug-Ins/VST/ folder.

What does it do?

Kerrstinn changes your loops randomly with both moving slices of it around and or applying effects to the slices according to rules that we call generators. It is sort of an automatic controllable recallable loop slicer.

How To operate.

The youtube video (http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sa_pOPBgXgg) does probably explain it best, but I'll do a shot at explaining it in text. A loop has to be dropped or opened by clicking the rounded rectangle taking up most of the top middle of the GUI. After you've done that, Kerstinn will load the wave (or display an error message at the bottom of the gui) and display it.

Now let your host play, you will here your drum loop play but a bit different.

The random knob controls what initial value the randomising has, by having this one can recall ones settings.

The slices knob controls how many slices you want to cut the loop in, try double it to 16 or half it to 4.

The bisyness parameter controls the weight of random to be applied, low values equals a small chance of change and larger values more, so its from left zero percent probability of change and to the right one hundred percent probability. If you want to hear what your loop sounds like untouched, turn this one to zero.

The Bars parameter helps you to set how many bars the loop originally are. I mean, its not always

we get a 1 bar loop, sometimes (like the amen one) it could be three, or perhaps four. We've stopped at eight, that might be to much anyway.

Finally the generator parameter, these are rules implemented by the fierce ninjas here at Shuriken.se. Rules on how to dissect your loops. Take "Freaky 4" for example, it rule is simply "if a slice is the 4th in a series perhaps play it backwards and or apply the fftish effect on the slice" That simple. The other rules are a bit more complex but not to complex.

The little button between generator and bars are a on/off switch, use this if you want Kerrstinn to shut up.

Price and praise

Kerrstinn is released as freeware, you can use it as much as you like, if you want to donate there is a page over at shuriken.se that you could use to find info. I've spent much more time making this usable for you. So please send an email if you like it in any case.

Future plans

As of today, I have not yet filled all the slots for generators. If you have an idea, please tell me. Also effects that you would like to have in this plug would be nice to hear about. I have a few ideas myself so expect updates.

Known issues

There are som clouds on the sun, also there are issues with Kerrstinn. It will not work in Cantaloupe since it wont give Kerrstinn timeinfo. Also Even if you do the "plug inside standalone eXt" it will only play the first bar, that is because timinfo does not change information on which bar it is. Tunafish has this problem aswell. There is also an issue with automation, automating sweeps of changes will spike the CPU, so try to make direct jumps. Or very slow sweeps with your automation.

Copyright and stuff like that

The Kerrstinn vst plugin is copyright ©2007 by me, Johan Larsby.

And I grant you permission to use it as you like, be ye hobbyist or professional without financial compensation to me on the following conditions:

You may not distribute the plug-in for any sort of financial compensation whatsoever. If you want to put this on a CD and distribute it with your fancy magazine you have to contact me to get my mailing address and send me a copy of that magazine.

You will not hold me liable for any damage that Kerrstinn might cause you, your friends, your computer or your hearing.

If you are Timbaland or have been associated with him, you may NOT use this plugin. If you do anyway you give me (Johan Larsby) all your intellectual property. This clause may be changed for a hefty sum of money, contact me for further information.

Also you may not hotlink to any images or .zip files as www.shuriken.se, please ask for permission before doing so.