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Native Instruments reveals KOMplete 12, KONTAKT 6, MASSIVE X, and KOMplete KONTROL S88 Mk2

Fall 2018 sees the arrival of a new generation of pro-grade hardware and software to shape the future of sound

September 6, 2018, Berlin – Native Instruments announces new pro-grade hardware and software for music production, including the second generation of the KOMplete KONTROL S88 keyboard and MASSIVE X – a completely new successor to the much-celebrated synth that spawned subcultures after it was launched 11 years ago.

KOMplete 12

Since its release in 2003, KOMplete has undisputedly become an essential purchase for producers, musicians, and sound designers, by bundling a wide range of innovative and high-quality software instruments and effects at an unbeatable price. Each successive KOMplete generation offers artists a jolt of inspiration, and the biggest update ever, KOMplete 12, is no exception.

KOMplete 12 is available in four differently-sized packages: KOMplete 12, SELECT, ULTIMATE, and the new Collector's Edition – a fifteenth anniversary celebration that packs 150 instruments, effects, and Expansions on to a silver aluminium HDD. New additions include KONTAKT 6, SESSION GUITARIST – ELECTRIC SUNBURST, the innovative kick and bass synth TRK-01, and for the first time ever, Expansions sound packs. KOMplete 12 also includes MASSIVE X – an entirely new instrument that honors and expands on the legacy of the legendary MASSIVE synthesizer.

KONTAKT 6

KONTAKT 6 is the next generation of the world's leading sampler. Continuing the development from sampler to sampling platform, KONTAKT has evolved into the host for an encyclopedic range of sampled instruments from countless instrument builders. As a platform, KONTAKT supports the whole music production industry, powering the instruments used by composers and producers, and providing a development framework for instrument builders.

For those using KONTAKT mainly as a host for instruments, version 6 expands the on-board library with three new instruments: ANALOG DREAMS invokes legendary synth sounds, ETHEREAL EARTH combines sampled traditional instruments with digital synthesis, and

HYBRID KEYS provides a modern digital twist on classic keyboard instruments. The instruments debut the KONTAKT Play Series – a range of sonically rich sample libraries that combine powerful sound design with simple playability.

For instrument builders and advanced users who work in the edit view, new possibilities for sound design exist thanks to five new effects – three new reverbs, a Replika delay module, and a wah-wah – plus a new wavetable engine. Creator Tools, a standalone application, rounds off the package. Designed to improve the workflows of library builders and instrument creators, it consists of a Debugger and an Instrument Editor.

KOMPLETE KONTROL S88

The new KOMPLETE KONTROL S88 builds upon the acclaimed playability of its predecessor, adding more immersive visual feedback and deeper control for expanded creative possibilities. The fully-weighted, hammer-action Fatar keybed gives an authentic piano-feel, whilst the hi-res color screens and Light Guide provide at-a-glance visual guidance. With pre-mapped control of all KOMPLETE Instruments and Effects and hundreds of NKS plug-ins, intuitive DAW integration, and full VST compatibility, the S88 is the ideal centerpiece for any studio or stage setup.

All S-Series keyboards now include KOMPLETE 12 SELECT and MASCHINE Essentials software.

MASSIVE X

To say that MASSIVE helped define the sound of electronic music over the last decade would be an understatement. Spawning subcultures and permeating pop sounds globally, the celebrated synth has long been an essential for serious producers, performers, and sound designers of all genres.

In February 2019, NI welcomes MASSIVE X to the stage. With unparalleled signal processing power and a powerful modular approach, this entirely new synthesizer rips up the sound design rulebook to offer unprecedented sonic potential. Created by the same team that built the original, MASSIVE X reimagines what a state-of-the-art sound engine can be, with new subtractive filters, new insert effects, and a new performer for complex sound shaping.

MASSIVE X will be available from February 2019. All KOMPLETE 12, KOMPLETE 12 ULTIMATE, and KOMPLETE 12 ULTIMATE Collector's Edition owners will see it added to their collections for free.

Nine game-changing new products, major updates to online platforms

These updates to NI's flagship production products forms part of the largest release in the company's 22-year history, also featuring the much-anticipated return of TRAKTOR, the arrival of new entry level MASCHINE and KOMplete KONTROL production hardware, and major updates to three online platforms.

The Fall 2018 announcements mark a key milestone on Native Instruments' path to becoming a true platform provider for the whole music creation industry. The company's portfolio is expanding significantly to include products for creators of all styles and abilities, complementary online services, new educational content to guide experiences, and a range of affordable and intuitive entry level production and performance products.

Video and more information is available at [native-instruments.com/for-the-music-in-you](https://www.native-instruments.com/for-the-music-in-you).

A press kit with images, videos, and product fact sheets is available [here](#).

Further information can be found in the following press releases:

- [Native Instruments unveils nine game-changing new products, major updates to online platforms](#)
- [Native Instruments reveals new range of entry-level hardware: KOMplete KONTROL A-Series, MASCHINE MIKRO, and TRAKTOR KONTROL S2](#)
- [Native Instruments announces next generation of TRAKTOR KONTROL S2 and S4 DJ systems alongside TRAKTOR PRO 3](#)
- [Native Instruments announces major updates to three online platforms](#)

Pricing and availability

KOMPLETE 12:	<p>The world's leading production suite receives its biggest update ever: New synths, new sampled instruments, new effects, and, for the first time ever, Expansions sound packs.</p> <p>Available October 1, 2018</p> <p>KOMPLETE 12 SELECT: 199 USD, 199 EUR, 24,800 YEN, 159 GBP, 299 AUD, 259 CAD, 1,699 CNY</p> <p>KOMPLETE 12: 599 USD, 599 EUR, 69,800 YEN, 479 GBP, 899 AUD, 799 CAD, 4,699 CNY</p> <p>KOMPLETE 12 ULTIMATE: 1,199 USD, 1,199 EUR, 139,800 YEN, 959 GBP, 1,799 AUD, 1,599 CAD, 9,499 CNY</p> <p>KOMPLETE 12 ULTIMATE COLLECTOR'S EDITION: 1,599 USD, 1,599 EUR, 198,000 YEN, 1,279 GBP, 2,299 AUD, 2,099 CAD, 12,499 CNY</p>
MASSIVE X:	<p>The forthcoming sequel to NI's legendary virtual analog synth is more extreme, more expressive, and more expandable in every way.</p> <p>Available February 2019</p> <p>On its release, MASSIVE X will be made available as a free download to owners of KOMPLETE 12, KOMPLETE 12 ULTIMATE, and the new Collector's Edition. Pricing for crossgrades and individual purchases will be announced at a later date.</p>
KONTAKT 6:	<p>The sixth generation of the industry's leading sampling platform adds new builder tools and brand new instruments.</p> <p>Available October 1, 2018</p> <p>399 USD, 399 EUR, 49,800 YEN, 339 GBP, 549 AUD, 519 CAD, 2,999 CNY</p> <p>Update for owners of KONTAKT 1-5: 99 USD, 99 EUR, 12800 YEN, 89 GBP, 149 AUD, 129 CAD, 799 CNY</p>
KOMPLETE KONTROL S88:	<p>Mk2 version of NI's flagship keyboard controller: Fully-weighted hammer-action Fatar keybed with Light Guide and hi-res color screens.</p> <p>Available September 27, 2018</p> <p>999 USD, 999 EUR, 124800 YEN, 799 GBP, 1399 AUD, 1299 CAD, 7799 CNY</p>

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About Native Instruments

Native Instruments is the industry leader in innovative, software, hardware and digital services for music creation, production, and DJing. Founded in 1996, the company pioneered the application of real-time sound synthesis on standard computers.

Today, NI caters to producers, performers, and DJs with a comprehensive ecosystem of connected hardware and software systems: KOMplete, the industry-leading collection of virtual instruments and effects, complemented by a range of keyboard controllers and audio interfaces; MASCHINE, a powerful range of beat-making instruments now at the heart of hip-hop and electronic music communities; and TRAKTOR, the first DJ software to conquer the club, and now a range of integrated controllers that power house parties, club booths, and the world's biggest stages.

In 2018, Native Instruments launched Sounds.com, a market-leading online subscription platform for loops and samples that also creates new revenue and promotion opportunities for individuals, brands, and business across the music industry. Along with recent acquisitions of Metapop and The Loop Loft, these three online platforms further enhance NI's ecosystem for music creation and community.

Based in the heart of the German capital's creative hub, the company currently employs more than 400 people in its seven offices in Berlin, Los Angeles, Tokyo, London, Toronto, Paris, and Shenzhen, and works closely with more than 40 international distribution partners to ensure its future growth and success.