# **Manuel Tirado**

# Audio, Recording, and Mixing Engineer

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## **Summary**

Audio Engineer with a robust background in studio recording, live sound reinforcement, and multimedia post-production. Over five years of hands-on experience engineering audio across live events, video projects, and interactive media. Experience spans across a wide range of projects, from church audio and engineering musical theater recordings to delivering complete post-production audio for web content and music and SFX for game jams. Technically fluent in Studio One, Reaper, multitrack recording rigs, and mixing consoles; currently expanding fluency in game audio tools. Collaborative, creatively driven, and based in the Seattle–Tacoma area with a passion for immersive audio and storytelling across formats.

## Work & Project Experience

**Versified! The Human Equation** — Composer, SFX, Audio and Video Post-Production Remote | Feb 2024 – Present

- Delivered 16 musical cues, 2 soundscapes, and full audio post across 3 editions of the theatrical poetry project
- Handled all sound editing, restoration, mixing, and mastering for synchronized video content
- Sole video editor of 3 editions of the project thus far, including full length (1.25hrs), 2 10-minute cuts, and individual poems

[Instagram Profile]

### **Bethlehem Baptist Church** — Audio Director

Tacoma, WA | Jul 2022 - Present

- Lead technical planning, live sound mixing, and system design for weekly events and livestreams
- Manage FOH and monitor systems, wireless mic coordination, real-time troubleshooting, and purchasing for audio department
- Coordinate A/V team and provide support for video playback and broadcast audio

## **Decade Sound Studio** — Recording & Mixing Engineer

Tacoma, WA | Aug 2022 - Present

- Record and mix music and dialogue for studio clients using Studio One and outboard gear
- Edit and deliver stems and/or final mixes for video integration, streaming, and album release
- Direct musicians/clients to maximize production quality

# **Pauper: The Musical – Inside the Studio —** Recording Engineer (Video Project) Tacoma, WA | Jul-Aug 2024

- Captured multitrack studio sessions for a broadway musical feature
- Delivered clean audio for synced video production on YouTube [YouTube Link]

# **48 Degrees North** — Recording, Mixing, and Mastering Engineer; Musician Tacoma, WA | Aug 2018 – Oct 2023

- Produced and engineered recordings released on Spotify; managed complete production cycle
- Oversaw audio for music videos and social media promos [Spotify Link]

#### Game Audio Projects (Remote, Collaborative)

- Auditory Dissolution Game Jam Audio Lead: Created interactive soundtrack & SFX with GitHub integration (May 2025) [itch.io link]
- Solar Struggle Composer/SFX for 2 tracks, 6 FX (Aug 2024) [itch.io link]
- Lucha Libra Composer/SFX: 1 track, 3 FX (Aug 2024)
- Arborflare Multi-variation score for 4-day jam (Aug 2022) [itch.io link]

# **LJ Collective Band** — Keyboardist, Mixing Engineer Remote/Local | 2020

 Performed, captured, mixed, and mastered studio recordings for band's SoundCloud demos [Soundcloud Link]

#### Allstar Guitar Academy — Music Instructor Gig Harbor, WA | Jun 2022 - Present

- Teach 1-on-1 lessons in various musical disciplines
- Handle any and all audio needs for academy-wide recitals

### **Education**

### Pacific Lutheran University (Tacoma, WA)

Bachelor of Music in Composition - December 2017

## **Skills & Tools**

#### **Audio/Music Tools:**

- Studio One, Ableton Live, Reaper (basic workflow), working knowledge of Pro Tools from previous projects
- Operate and/or own various commercial mixing consoles,
- Design, own, and/or operate Mobile multitrack recording and handheld recording rigs
- Basic fluency with game audio integration with Fmod

**Sound Design:** Field recording, Foley, Sample Manipulation, Synthesis, Layering, Dynamic Recording and FX

Other: GitHub, Davinci Resolve, Remote collaboration, Trello, Todoist