AWMAS 2020

Introduction to Computer Music Workshop

Installation Guide

It is vital that you follow this guide *before* the workshop on Wednesday, February 5th at 3pm. If you don't, you will be able to observe but not participate.

In this introduction to computer music, we will use the visual programming language Pure Data. Actually, we will be using an enhanced derivative of Pure Data called Purr Data.

Step 1

Download the course files here and put them somewhere you can access them during the workshop.

Step 2

Follow the instructions below to install Purr Data.

MacOS

1. Download
   - MacOS 10.11 and newer here
   - Older MacOS systems here
2. Unzip the file and run the dmg, installing Purr Data into your applications folder.
3. Now we have to jump through the usual hoops Apple forces on their users in order to run software that they don't control:
   - Open applications folder
   - Right-click on Purr Data and select "open"
   - Confirm that you want to run the application even though it's not from the App Store.

Windows

1. Download the zip here
2. Unzip and run the installer

Linux

- You can find the right version for your linux flavor here

Step 3

Come to the workshop! You're done setting up. However, if you want to prepare a little more, feel free to poke around Purr Data and look at the examples to see what they do. In Purr Data, press ctrl+b to open the help browser where you can find tutorials to get you started (I would recommend starting in "control tutorials" to learn the basics of the user interface).