

Sonuscore LUX Orchestral Strings Essentials



Sonuscore, the virtual instrument developer behind The Score, The Orchestra Complete 4, and LUX Orchestral Strings, today announces the release of LUX Orchestral Strings Essentials, a professional string library built for composers scoring across film, TV, games, and production music. Priced at \$199, Essentials brings the same LUX 70-piece symphonic ensemble recordings and mix to the working composer's daily template.

LUX Orchestral Strings Essentials is designed around the writing most composers do most of the time. Documentary underscore, trailer tension builds, game cues, episodic television, and production music briefs. The articulation palette covers the scoring scenarios composers work in across a typical week, with the depth required for credible professional results.

The instrument set includes:

- All five orchestral string sections: 1st Violins, 2nd Violins, Violas, Celli, and Basses, each available as its own NKI for individual control.
- Sustains: Sustain, strong sustain, whisper sustain, and marcato.
- Legato: Full legato across the playable range, plus whisper legato.
- Shorts: staccato, spiccato, and pizzicato.
- Tremolo and trills: Standard tremolo, sul ponticello tremolo, and trills at both

the second and minor second.

- Articulation combinations: A substantial set of layered articulation combinations covering the transitions and blends that give string writing its depth, including sustain with tremolo, sustain with sul ponticello tremolo, tremolo with marcato, whisper with tremolo, staccato with spiccato, staccato with pizzicato, and more.

LUX Orchestral Strings Essentials draws on the same source recording as the flagship LUX Orchestral Strings. A 70-piece symphonic string ensemble, recorded on a large scoring stage, mixed by acclaimed film and games mixer Peter Fuchs. For the working composer making a considered purchase, this is the LUX sound at a scale built around daily scoring work.

Sonuscore co-founder and Dynamedion Lead Composer Tilman Sillescu explains the reason for adding Essentials to the LUX family: “Most professional composers spend their week on cues that need strong, dependable strings rather than the full scope of a flagship library. LUX Orchestral Strings Essentials is built specifically for that work, with the same recording, ensemble, and scoring stage as the full LUX Orchestral Strings. It is the version most composers will reach for every day.”

Launched in 2025, LUX Orchestral Strings is used and endorsed by composers and engineers working at the top of the industry, including:

- Ramin Djawadi – Composer (Game of Thrones, Westworld, Iron Man)
- Germaine Franco – Composer (Coco, Encanto, The Mother)
- Stephen Gallagher – Composer (The Lord of the Rings: The War of the Rohirrim, The Beatles: Get Back, District 9)
- Scott Michael Smith – Score Mixer (The Revenant, Shazam!, Ahsoka, Babylon)

LUX Orchestral Strings Essentials brings the same recording and ensemble used by these professionals into reach for working composers scoring at every level. LUX Orchestral Strings Essentials is available now from Sonuscore and authorised resellers worldwide, priced at \$199.

System Requirements:

- Works with the free KONTAKT PLAYER
- KONTAKT Version 7.10.9 or higher
- Apple Silicon Macs: macOS 12, 13 or 14 (latest update)
- Intel Macs (i5 or higher): macOS 12, 13 or 14 (latest update)
- Windows 10 or 11 (latest Service Pack), Intel Core i5 or equivalent CPU
- Graphics hardware support for OpenGL 2.1 or higher and Direct 3D 11.1
- 8 GB RAM (16 GB recommended)
- 9.4 GB of free hard disc space

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