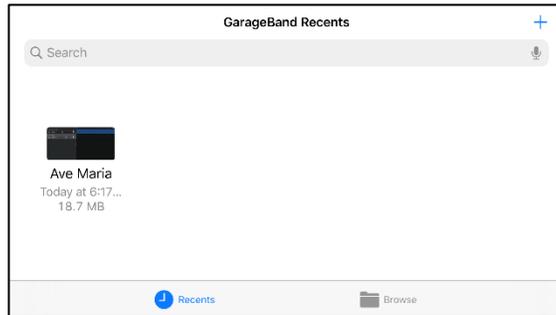




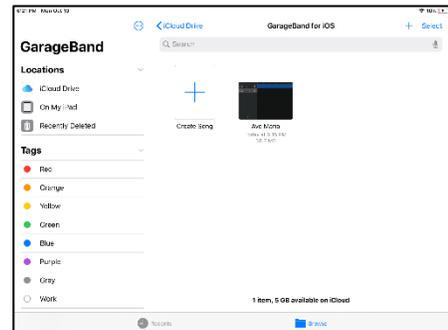
Using GarageBand To Record Mid-State Auditions

- I. **Download GarageBand onto** your iPhone/iPad. It's free from the App Store.
- II. **Receive the File.** Your device must be within range of Dr. Russell's device in order for him to AirDrop the GarageBand project to you. When you receive the AirDrop, hit "Open in GarageBand."

III. Open the File



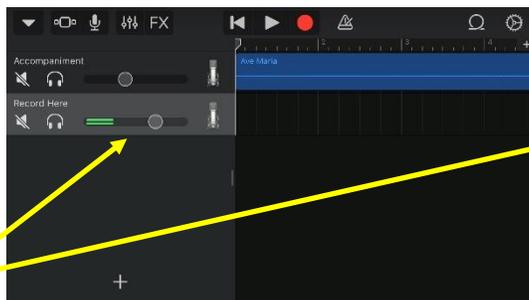
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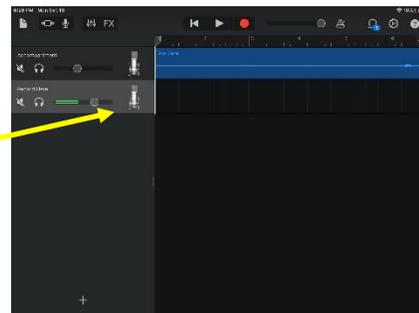
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- IV. We suggest that you use wired earbuds as Bluetooth earbuds (such as AirPods) might create a delay. You must use some type of headphone!
- V. Touch the microphone to the right of "Record Here" to make sure that the vocal track, not the accompaniment track, is selected (the selected track shows as gray – see below). Careful – if the accompaniment track is selected (gray) and you push record, you'll record over the accompaniment and need to get a fresh file from Dr. Russell.

See how the bottom "Record Here" track is gray? That means that track is selected. Don't push "record" with the top, accompaniment track selected (or gray) or you'll record over the accompaniment.



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- VI. Record your voice by pushing the red record button. Sing until the very end of the file.
 - a. You might hear a four-beat metronome before the track begins. That's the default metronome for GarageBand, not the accompaniment.
 - b. Your screen will look something like this:



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- VII. To balance the voice and the accompaniment, hit the “Track View” button on the top left of the screen. It looks like a series of short and long horizontal lines.

“Track View” buttons



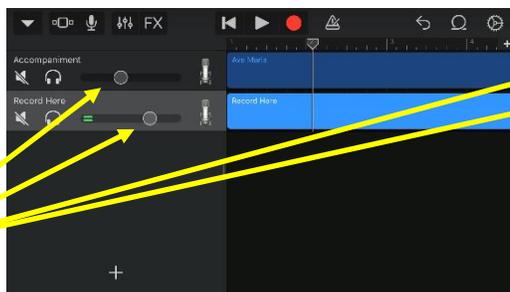
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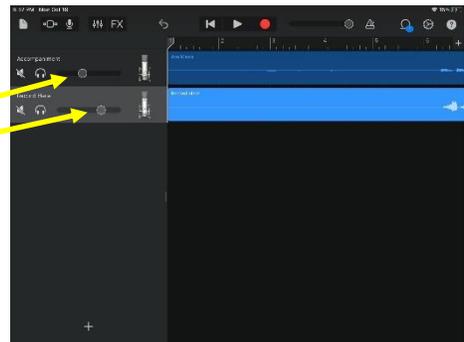
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From there you can adjust the volume of your voice and the accompaniment tracks using the horizontal sliders on the left side of the screen, right next to each track. You want your voice to be predominant but not too loud. Watch the volume meter as you play – if your voice goes into the red your voice might be distorted. We suggest listening with your earbuds in – it will give you a more realistic sound.

Adjust Volume



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- VIII. Are you happy with the product? Great! Skip to step X. Do you absolutely hate it? Then delete that recording by double tapping the blue sound file of your voice until a menu appears, then hit 'delete.' You can then start over at Step VI above.
- IX. However, we recommend that you keep every recording you make and just add others. First, turn the volume all the way down on your current recording. Then, push the + sign on the bottom left and add "Audio Recorder" and "Voice." Push record and add another track! Then, you can pick and choose which recording you like best.
- X. Once you have a recording you like, it's time to email it to yourself. Hit the "File" button on the very top left of the screen (looks like a folded piece of paper).
- Push and hold the title of the piece you recorded and choose "share."
 - Choose SONG, (not the project).
 - Choose "High Quality" or "Highest Quality". Don't choose Apple Lossless or Uncompressed - those file types aren't allowed by MTVA.
 - Then hit "share" and "mail."
 - It will export as an .mp4 and mail as an attachment.
- XI. Open your mailbox on a computer.
- Save the sound file to your desktop.
 - Rename the file as the title of the piece.
- XII. Submit your recording on the MTVA website.
- www.MTVA.org
 - "Virtual MidState/Freshmen Honors Auditions"
 - "Sign Up"
 - Follow Instructions