

KATARZYNA SOCHACZEWSKA

audio engineer, PhD, immersive audio expert

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EDUCATION

AGH University of Science and Technology

|2018-2023 Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)
Dissertation: The perception of the movement of sound sources within an ambisonic playback system
|2015-2017 Master Sc.
Final project: Surround sound system: calibration, recording and mix
|2012-2015 Bachelor
Final project: Binaural recording enhanced with signals from the spot microphones
|2001-2007 Music School
Instrument - Piano

PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY AFFILIATIONS

|Acoustic Engineering Society (AES) Member |TC-MLAI and TC-Spatial Audio Board Member |Acoustic Society of America (ASA) Member

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Languages: Polish (native), English (C1 certificate), Spanish (A2), German (A2) Hobby: popular science, cosmology, pool, figure skating Driving license (B2)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

University of York x Google

12-2024 – present

Researcher: IAMF Spatial Audio Format – Perceptual Evaluation of Binaural Renderer

| Freelance (SoundScape company)

2022 - present

Dolby Atmos mixing (credits: Nosferatu /Robin Carolan)

Research focused on **immersive sound experiences** (collaboration with PlayStation, University of Huddersfield)

Creating testing materials for binaural decoders (Virtuoso, Illusonic, SoundParticles)

Immersive podcast production, sound design: for <u>Audioteka</u>, <u>Sphera</u>, <u>Audible</u>

Founder: **ECHO Project** -A Collaborative Research Project on 3D Microphone Array Techniques for Orchestral Recording www.echo-project.com

LifeScore Music

2022 - 2024

- Associate Audio Producer (full-time):
- Collaborated with Lead Composer/Producer and sound designers on highprofile projects, including <u>AUDI</u> and <u>Bentley</u> interactive soundtracks, David Gilmour <u>The Orb</u> AI release, Sleeping At Last - <u>Space for Sleep</u>
- Sound design focused on soundscapes, environments
- Led Quality Assurance and database management, automating postproduction processes, resulting in a 70% increase in efficiency.
- Contributed to the development and troubleshooting of parametric audio engine using signal analysis tools.
- Assisted in recording and mixing sessions, ensuring top-quality audio production

AGH University of Science and Technology

2017 - 2023

- Assistant (full-time):
 - teaching recording techniques, spatial audio technologies and immersive music production
- **PhD:** carrying out the research in the field of psychoacoustics in spatial audio, spatial audio recording techniques and soundscapes
- **Sound engineer** Studio AGH <u>Kotłownia</u> (recording, mixing and teaching)

| Film Music Festival FMF Kraków

- 2018 present (annual event)
 - Coordinator of the Film Music Festival Audio Visual Forum, carrying out workshops about immersive audio tools and techniques for young composers (Young Talent Award competitors). Organisator of <u>immersive</u> <u>concerts</u>.

RMF Classic Radio

09.2017-07.2022

- **Radio producer** (part time): on-air transmission, audio post-production, audio editing, vocal processing

| Harris Piano Jazz Bar

2015-2017

- Live sound engineer

| Honors and Awards

*1st Prize at S3DACP, 2019, Ilmenau, during the ICSA Conference
*2nd Prize at 147th AES Student's Recording Competition, 2019, New York
*2nd Prize at S3DACP, 2018, Cologne, TMT Tonmeistertagung
*3rd Prize at 147th AES Saul Walker Student's Design Competition, 2019 NY
*3rd Prize at 145th AES Student's Recording Competition, 2017, Milan
*2nd Prize – "Podcast of the year: Nurt Równoległy"
*Nomination to the Grand Press for the podcast – Nurt równoległy
Soundgirls travel fund 2019
CIRE ASA (Acoustic Society of America) Grant 2020