



# apetrax

exceptional audio recording and production services



## Practice, Practice, Practice!

Practice your parts before you hit the studio. Think through all your parts, transitions, and breaks. Be sure you know the BPM (Beats per minute) of every song.



## Bring the Best Gear you can.

Beg, borrow, or rent the best equipment you can get your hands on because the microphone has no mercy for inferior sounding instruments. Let's start off with the best sounding equipment possible.



## Don't Forget the Accessories.

You don't want to have to run to Guitar Center in the middle of a session. Be sure to bring extra sets of strings, guitar picks, instrument cables, drum sticks, drum heads, drum keys, and batteries for gear.



## Leave the Posse at Home.

The recording studio is crowded enough with a full band, musical instruments, and recording gear so please leave anyone that is not on the record at home.



## Bring Food to Snack On.

A full day in the studio is more tiring than you think so be sure to load up on your favorite snacks before you show up to the session.



## Bring an Example of Your Sound.

What do you want your final songs to sound like? If you're a metal band you probably don't want to sound like a Jazz band and the easiest way to get that across to us is with an example. Something as simple as a CD or song on your iPod.



## Re-String your guitars.

Put a set of fresh strings on all your guitars and basses the day before the studio session to get the fullest sound possible. The extra day will give the strings some extra time to stretch out a bit.



## Don't Party the Night Before the Session.

We know you have an image to uphold as the hardest partying group in the whole city, but that's not going to help you in the studio. Get a good night sleep before coming in and everything, including recording, becomes easier.



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