

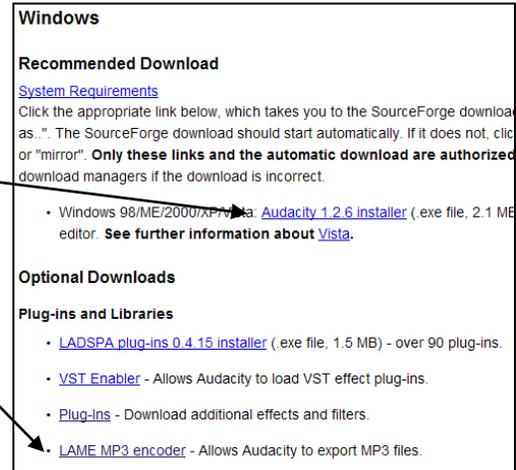
Student Multimedia Studio guide for

Downloading and Installing Audacity and the Lame MP3 encoder



Free Downloads and Complete Tutorials for installation and using Audacity are available on-line at:
<http://audacity.sourceforge.net/download/>

For easiest installation download the **Audacity 1.2.6 installer**. Get it here.



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Recommended Download

[System Requirements](#)

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- Windows 98/ME/2000/XP/Vista: [Audacity 1.2.6 installer](#) (.exe file, 2.1 MB) editor. **See further information about Vista.**

Optional Downloads

Plug-ins and Libraries

- [LADSPA plug-ins 0.4.15 installer](#) (.exe file, 1.5 MB) - over 90 plug-ins.
- [VST Enabler](#) - Allows Audacity to load VST effect plug-ins.
- [Plug-Ins](#) - Download additional effects and filters.
- [LAME MP3 encoder](#) - Allows Audacity to export MP3 files.

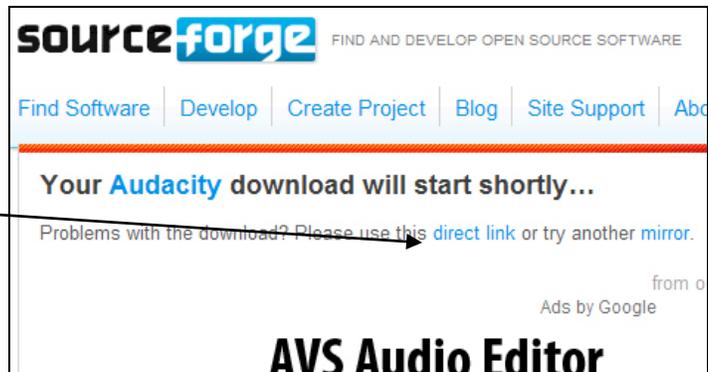
You will also need the **LAME MP3 encoder**. Get it here.

Downloading Audacity 1.2.6

After you click on the Audacity 1.2.6 installer link shown above, this window will open.

Click on **Direct link** to download Audacity.

After clicking on the above link, **SAVE** it to the desktop. After it's downloaded just double-click on the file and do a standard installation using all the default settings.



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AVS Audio Editor

Audacity is ready to use but you won't be able to export to MP3 format audio, only WAV format unless you go back and **DOWNLOAD AND INSTALL THE LAME MP3 ENCODER...** SEE LINK ABOVE.

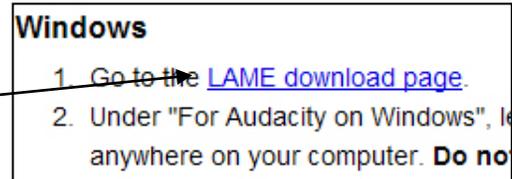
Downloading the Lame MP3 Encoder

After you click on the Lame MP3 encoder link (see link above) a new window will open.

Click on this link.

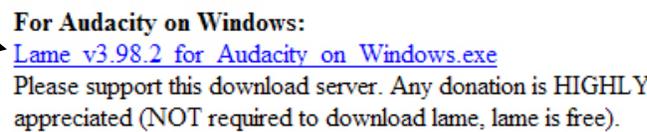
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Then choose **SAVE** and save it to the desktop



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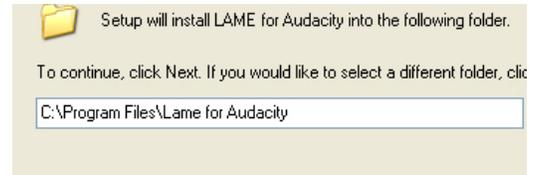
1. Go to the [LAME download page](#).
2. Under "For Audacity on Windows", click on the link [Lame v3.98.2 for Audacity on Windows.exe](#) anywhere on your computer. **Do not**



For Audacity on Windows:
[Lame v3.98.2 for Audacity on Windows.exe](#)
Please support this download server. Any donation is HIGHLY appreciated (NOT required to download lame, lame is free).



This is what the downloaded Lame MP3 encoder installer will look like on your desktop. Double-click it to install. Let it install the encoder to the default location, C:\Program Files\Lame for Audacity as shown on the right.



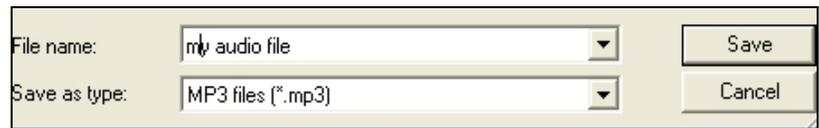
Exporting as an MP3 audio file the first time from Audacity



When you're done editing your **AUDACITY "PROJECT"**, you have to **EXPORT** it as an **MP3 "audio" file**. This will be the file you need to turn in, not the Audacity Project file.

Choose **File > Export As MP3** as shown on the left.

Name your file. The save as type will be MP3 files (*.mp3)



When you click **Save** this window about "locating the Lame_enc.dll" will open.

Click **Yes**



This window will open.

- Browse to the **C drive**. Select it.
- Find the **Programs Files folder...** select it.
- Find the **Lame for Audacity folder...** select it.
- Select the **Lame_enc.dll** file as shown
- Click **Open**

Your MP3 audio file will be exported to whatever location you chose to save it to. After this, you can just **Export to MP3** without "finding" the Lame MP3 encoder again.

