Audio recording is a fundamental link in the chain of the preservation of vocal, instrumental, and effects performances. As such it is a creative nexus of audio and acoustical engineering, involving both technical and artistic components. Each of these disciplines can learn from the other and it is in the hope of increased cross fertilization that our guest editor, Marshall Long, has invited a group of talented experts to talk about what they do. The Society is fortunate that they have taken the time to contribute to this issue. To obtain an overall perspective, Marshall has introduced each of the authors in From the Guest Editor.

Dick Stern

To explore the interactions between recording, mixing, editing, and production as well as the acoustics of the spaces in which these activities occur, we have invited several authors to discuss each of the steps involved.

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