

This configuration guide is intended to help you configure your Sonic Scenarist system using approved computer hardware and peripherals. It provides the latest information on supported and recommended peripherals and supersedes any previous information you may have. Please read it carefully before purchasing any hardware and contact Sonic or a Sonic representative if you have any questions.

Important! Please note that the requirements for Blu-ray Disc creation differ to those for DVD-Video systems.

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## SCENARIST SUPPORT

If you have recently purchased Scenarist and have questions regarding installation or system configuration, you can contact Sonic's product specialists on the Web or by phone:

- Web Support <http://support.sonic.com>
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**SCENARIST BD - SUPPORTED CONFIGURATIONS**

The CPUs listed below are **required** for use with **Scenarist BD** (Blu-ray Disc creation):

**Hewlett Packard xw8600**

- Windows® XP Professional, Service Pack 2 or 3, 32-bit
- 2 x Intel® Xeon® Quad-Core E5450 processor (3.00 GHz, 2 x 6 MB L2 cache, 1333 MHz FSB)
- 4 GB DDR2 SDRAM
- Microsoft Windows Media Player 10 Series
- Microsoft Internet Explorer 5.0 or later
- Microsoft DirectX 9.0c
- Apple® QuickTime® 7
- CD-ROM or DVD-ROM drive
- Monitor with minimum 1600x1200 screen resolution (1920x1200 recommended) and 32-bit color support
- 300 MB of hard drive space on system drive for Sonic application and related files
- USB port for security dongle

**Apple Mac Pro**

- Windows XP Professional running under Boot Camp, Service Pack 2 or 3, 32-bit
- 2 x Intel Xeon Quad-Core processor (3.00 GHz, 2 x 6 MB L2 cache, 1600 MHz FSB)
- 4 GB DDR2 SDRAM
- Microsoft Windows Media Player 10 Series
- Microsoft Internet Explorer 5.0 or later
- Microsoft DirectX 9.0c
- Apple QuickTime 7
- CD-ROM or DVD-ROM drive
- Monitor with minimum 1600x1200 screen resolution (1920x1200 recommended) and 32-bit color support
- 300 MB of hard drive space on system drive for Sonic application and related files
- USB port for security dongle

The CPUs listed below are also supported for use with **Scenarist BD** but are no longer available:

**Hewlett Packard xw8400**

- 2 x Dual-core Intel Xeon processor 5160 3.0 GHz with 4MB L2 cache 1333 MHz front side bus
- Recommended Option: 2 x Quad-core Intel Xeon processor 5355 2.66 GHz with 4 x 2MB L2 cache 1333 MHz front side bus
- 4 GB DDR2 SDRAM

**Hewlett Packard xw9300**

- 1 x Dual core 2.2 GHz AMD 275 Opteron processor with AMD64 Technology. Recommended Option: 2 x Dual core 2.2 GHz AMD 275 Opteron processors with AMD64Technology
- 1 GHz AMD HyperTransport Bus
- 2 GB of RAM per processor (up to 4 GB recommended)

**SCENARIST SD - MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS**

The minimum requirements listed below are for **Scenarist SD** (Standard Definition DVD-Video creation):

- Windows XP Professional, Service Pack 2 or 3, 32-bit
- 2 GB DDR2 SDRAM
- Microsoft Windows Media Player 10 Series
- Microsoft Internet Explorer 5.0 or later
- Microsoft DirectX 9.0c
- Apple QuickTime 7
- CD-ROM or DVD-ROM drive
- Monitor with minimum 1600x1200 screen resolution (1920x1200 recommended) and 32-bit color support
- 300 MB of hard drive space on system drive for Sonic application and related files
- USB port for security dongle

**RECOMMENDED GRAPHICS CARDS**

The graphics cards listed below are recommended for use with Scenarist:

Graphics Card	Scenarist BD	Scenarist SD	Information
NVIDIA GeForce 8800 GT	Recommended	Required	<a href="http://www.nvidia.com">www.nvidia.com</a>

**RECOMMENDED STORAGE**

Local Raid array for uncompressed capture storage with the following minimum requirements:

- 8 or more u320 drives, 10,000 rpm and software striped as Raid 0 or Raid 5
- Controlled via Ultra 320 SCSI Card (PCI or onboard) or Fiber-channel interface with a 4Gb bandwidth

Note that this information is based on Sonic's own configuration testing and experience. This should be seen as complimentary to further advice from your chosen Raid and Capture system manufacturer, in addition to your local Sonic representative.

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