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## Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by papertiger - 2012/05/04 14:09

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On Thursday, May 3, 2012, Ryan Faubion, aka Actuel, passed away.

Ryan's death is a tremendous loss to this community. I usually have a lot to say, but this time I don't. I would praise him, but I wouldn't stop. He was the caretaker of a community through which so many musicians, tinkers, designers, noisemakers, and elektron users connected, and hopefully will continue connecting.

Goodbye, Actuel. Rest well.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by tIB - 2012/05/04 14:30

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Thanks Ryan, without all your work here I wouldn't be who I am today. My condolences to those who really knew him. So sad.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by Virtual\_Flannel - 2012/05/04 14:34

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So sad. Was such a great member of the online music community. RIP

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by previewlounge - 2012/05/04 14:37

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Farewell, Actuel. May your journeys through space and time be illuminated with love.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by Amanita - 2012/05/04 14:45

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Very sad. So sorry to hear this.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by Nils - 2012/05/04 14:57

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Thank you Ryan, for maintaining and developing such a wonderful space on the internet, connecting so many people that otherwise wouldn't have connected. This place reflects how I knew you - enthusiastic, sharing and caring.

This is a huge loss. My thoughts go to your family.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by toxictobi - 2012/05/04 15:13

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don't know what to say...  
Thanks and bon voyage Actuel!

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by TrondC - 2012/05/04 15:44

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So sad news, rest in peace Ryan

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by kirlian - 2012/05/04 15:50

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farewell to an inspiring human being. Thank you for Creating this unique community through which friendships have formed and much awesome music has been born. Sending heartfelt condolences to family and friends. Your light will continue to burn.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by ignatius - 2012/05/04 15:56

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wtf?!?!?!?

so sad. i'm shocked. i feel like i just talked to him though it was a while ago.

RIP best to his family

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by ipassenger - 2012/05/04 16:01

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Very sad news.

Rest in peace dude.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by dataline - 2012/05/04 16:09

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very sad...He will be remembered throughout this great community!

It is an honor to know him.

He made us what we are here today.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by ignatius - 2012/05/04 16:12

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i've been out of the loop.. i didn't know he was sick. so sad.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by S\_K\_ - 2012/05/04 16:15

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Ryan and I had a tempestuous relationship, but turning this site over to him was the best thing that could have happened to it. I remember him sheepishly asking me what FTP meant, along with a host of other newbie questions when he first starting working in the same office as me. He quickly eclipsed my admittedly mediocre web savvy and became a first-rate designer with an authentic and uncompromising creative vision.

Although his passing doesn't come as a surprise, I nevertheless find myself profoundly affected by it. People, appreciate what you have in this life, for it is ephemeral at best. Stress less, have fun, and let those close to you know that you love them. Nothing is as serious as it seems in the heat of the moment.

Goodbye, old friend. We shall meet again. And yes, Elektron did finally make a sampler :)

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by Nein - 2012/05/04 16:23

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Very Sad.

R.I.P

Best Wishes to all the Family.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by boboter - 2012/05/04 16:44

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This is very sad.  
My condolences to his family and friends.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by tenchi - 2012/05/04 17:03

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I'm speechless, such a shock.  
He will be missed here as well as in RL I'm sure

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by Indigo Fire - 2012/05/04 17:10

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Gosh, he was posting not so long ago... I'm so sorry to hear this news... my love goes out to his family...

No words feel suitable.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by molotov - 2012/05/04 17:16

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Very sad news,

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RIP

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by emnine - 2012/05/04 17:25

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First Daniel, now Ryan. :(

Only the good die young ...

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by neilbaldwin - 2012/05/04 17:28

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Such sad news. :(

Love and peace to those he leaves behind.

Neil

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by LIVESEQ - 2012/05/04 18:22

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Sad news indeed. Condolences to those that knew him well.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by Toni - 2012/05/04 18:22

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Sad and shocking news.

Ryan is really a reason (among few other people) why this community exists and his good attitude has shaped it to what it is. I talked to Ryan several times and we even had small side-project going on for little while. I always admired honest and authentic attitude he had towards life. Feels like I should have said this earlier while he was still here.

You will leave a hole here that can't be fulfilled - we will be missing you.

<http://in-spiros.com/artofollowingmindset/wp-content/uploads/2011/05/rainbow.jpeg>

Best wishes to all the Family.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by stiiiiiive - 2012/05/04 18:58

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Wow, I'm shocked... :(

My thoughts go to the family and closest friends.

What has been told is so true: not only Ryan is the founder of this forum, but he is the origin of this wonderful community, the very best I was given to find on the great internet - words seriously meant. I've had really good times, met really good people, here on the forum and in the 3D life, and I cannot say how thankful I

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am for that.

Thank you Ryan, may you rest in peace :)

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by stega - 2012/05/04 19:04

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This is such sad news. He has done such brilliant work with this forum.

Rest in peace, Ryan.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by darenager - 2012/05/04 19:05

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Rest in peace brother, your dedication and wit will be missed. Very sad :(

My condolences to Ryan's family, friends and loved ones.

You were :lvl:

Lets get a compilation going.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by rennweg - 2012/05/04 19:06

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I am shocked! :(  
Really sad news...

Best to his family.

Rest in peace my friend

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by Peza - 2012/05/04 19:12

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I didnt know him but as a relatively new user to this forum i would like to say thank you to Ryan, this forum and its members is by far the best that i have used and that's thanks to the efforts of people like Actuel.

Thank you, may you rest in peace.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by dataline - 2012/05/04 19:17

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darenager wrote:

Lets get a compilation going.

I was just thinking the same too!

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by darenager - 2012/05/04 19:27

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[http://elektron-users.com/index.php?option=com\\_fireboard&Itemid=28&func=view&catid=9&id=176496#176496](http://elektron-users.com/index.php?option=com_fireboard&Itemid=28&func=view&catid=9&id=176496#176496)

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by dolfazoid - 2012/05/04 19:30

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My condolences to Ryan's family and loved ones.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by polyslax - 2012/05/04 19:33

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So very sad to hear this...

Peace and comfort to his friends, family and loved ones.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by RodmanSan - 2012/05/04 19:37

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Even though i didn't know Ryan that well...i still wish his family all the strength and love when such a terrible thing happens.... :(

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by Justin Valer - 2012/05/04 19:39

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Thank you Ryan.

It is sad to have lost you. Rest in peace.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by PlayRecords - 2012/05/04 20:10

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Sorry to hear this.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by Bongsau - 2012/05/04 20:27

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Such sad, shocking news.

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Condolences to all that knew him.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by xmit - 2012/05/04 20:37

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sad sad news. :(

Peace to you Ryan & thanks for all your work & inspiration whilst you were with us. You'll be missed by so many.

My thoughts go out to family & friends left behind.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by earsmack - 2012/05/04 20:49

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My goodness. So sorry to hear this. Ryan was a really good guy. Rest In Peace, my friend.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by liteshinebrite - 2012/05/04 21:20

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Thank you for your contribution here, Ryan. We can make an effort to continue this community in the direction you had envisioned.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by ElektronHQ - 2012/05/04 21:30

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It's hard to think of things to say in situations like these, especially without repeating what everyone has been saying so far.

Ryan was an enthusiastic fan, a whizz with our machines and above all he was a good friend to all of us. I've always loved working with Ryan, bouncing design ideas off him and just talking about nothing in particular.

It's a great loss for me personally, for all of us at Elektron, for Elektron-Users but above all for his family and his closest friends.

You will be missed, Brother

// Thomas (and the rest of the Elektron crew)

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by twistedspace - 2012/05/04 21:36

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RIP Ryan.

I never got to talk to you and now I never will.

That's a shame.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by CloakvsDagger - 2012/05/04 21:43

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This is really sad. My go out to his famaly and his friends  
RIP

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by Boelie - 2012/05/04 21:52

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My condolences go out to Ryan's fam.

May you rest in peace and remember all of us that life is to short, use it to the maximum!

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by Peter Hanes - 2012/05/04 22:02

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I only knew Ryan through his posts here and work on the site, but this is very sad news.

Let's continue to make this a wonderful place.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by poonti - 2012/05/04 22:10

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This is very sad news. Ryan, you were taken far too soon. My condolences go out to his family and friends.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by jims computer beats - 2012/05/04 22:12

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I'm shocked and speechless.  
Rest in peace Ryan.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by scuto - 2012/05/04 22:20

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This is terrible. My heart goes out to all who knew him.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by Sofine - 2012/05/04 22:21

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Very sad news. I learned many things and got inspiration from Actuel's posts in this forum.

Sincere condolences to Ryan's family.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by ThinkTanx - 2012/05/04 22:24

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Oh man. I'm just really blown back here. I can't stop thinking about his little boy. Ryan fostered so many relationships through this site. He will be missed greatly.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by Syl KougaÃ - 2012/05/04 22:25

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Thanks a lot to you Ryan for your outstanding contribution to this outstanding forum.  
Chapeau bas l'artiste !  
Rest in peace and may the force be with you.  
Love to your family.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by jsrockit - 2012/05/04 22:27

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My goodness, I'm so sorry to hear this. He always showed me support and even e-mailed after a long time away from this forum to see how I was doing. A sad, sad, day. :( He even allowed me to pick my own "game & watch" for my post count. lol. Though I never met him in person, he seemed like a genuinely great person. :(

May I ask what happened?

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by howdragonsdisappear - 2012/05/04 22:30

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such a great guy, always helpful & constructive  
i'm so sad about this news.

All best for the family.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by onthefly - 2012/05/04 22:43

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really sad news

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by analoc - 2012/05/04 22:48

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How sad! My condolences to his friends and family.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by Allerian - 2012/05/04 22:49

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Oh no.

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Your light burned short and bright Ryan.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by dubathonic - 2012/05/04 22:54

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Such terrible news to wake up to. I only knew Ryan through the forum but I know he touched so many lives here over the years.

Condolences to his family and all of you who knew him. Rest in peace Ryan, will miss you and your music.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by reset - 2012/05/04 22:54

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Ryan, you were such a great guy and we all learned so much from you. Rest in peace brother. May you forever press play on the great big sequencer in the sky.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by StirHouse - 2012/05/04 23:02

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rest in peace, Ryan. you will live on in the memories of your friends and family.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by GYS - 2012/05/04 23:05

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R.I.P., Ryan. You will indeed be sorely missed around here. I've met few people, online or off, with the drive, creativity, and open-mindedness that Actuel showed on a daily basis. He's been a constant source of inspiration to all that have known him.

My thoughts go out to his family and close friends.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by watson - 2012/05/04 23:05

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i hate to hear this. i had just gotten to know him a little better in the past year... RIP Ryan.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by xibalba - 2012/05/04 23:09

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Many many many condolences, while I don't post much or really at all, still do a lot of lurking and still think this is one of the best forums out there.

Thanks for a wonderful place.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by psiagarik - 2012/05/04 23:13

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I am sorry to hear this news.  
A truly great contributor to the elektron scene.  
We miss you.  
Your energy and music will live on....  
Condolences to family and friends.  
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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by Tarekith - 2012/05/04 23:24

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I can only echo what others have already wrote, incredible sad news. I hope in his next journey he is as inspiring to others as he was in his last one.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by dj\_d\_oz - 2012/05/04 23:36

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Just saw this on the electron newsletter, you will be missed.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by Indigo333 - 2012/05/04 23:42

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Even though you left a shell behind, in spirit you will be acknowledged and remembered...  
With wings brother, take flight and send us energy from your new found travels...  
We will see you when we get there...  
peace to you and may your family and friends be comforted in these moments...  
hold the light for us, as we travel on...  
Thanks for all you have shared,created and all of us you brought together  
see you soon...indy

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by JJJ - 2012/05/04 23:47

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Thank you for your contributions to this wonderful community.  
Condolences to your friends and family.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by prscrptn - 2012/05/04 23:55

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Very sad news, Ryan was a great leader with a good heart.

My deepest sympathies to all of his friends and family.

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Rest in peace Actuel, you will be missed by many.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by quarter.circle.one - 2012/05/04 23:59

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Our deepest wishes and prayers are with Actuel and his family.

As our 2nd Octatrack is arriving today- we will focus our respects and give thanks to Actuel and this online community that has inspired and taught us so much.

Thank you.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by machinea - 2012/05/05 00:05

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I am so very sorry to read this. I'm not as active here as I am on muffs and we just had a death there last month of a prolific member that was sudden.

2012 seems to have thus far been a rough year on a few synth communities. Though I only talked with Ryan once he was helpful and genuine. A real loss for the elektron community.

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Condolences all around to people here and those who were his RL family and friends.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by ping panic - 2012/05/05 00:09

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by Steril707 - 2012/05/05 00:17

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Shocking news.... :(

He always came across as a very reasonable kind of person to me...

Rest in peace, brother...

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by Goggleboy - 2012/05/05 00:20

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Very sad. My hart goes out his family.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by MSB - 2012/05/05 00:31

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So sad to hear about this.

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Rest in peace Ryan

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by Sveldt - 2012/05/05 00:32

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I haven't been here in years but saw this sad news on the Elektron mail-out and thought I should come and pay my respects.

Being a moderator on another forum this has hit me in a weird way...

I didn't know Ryan at all IRL but always enjoyed chatting with him here as Actuel.

My condolences to his family and the regular forum users.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by morriscode - 2012/05/05 00:38

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I didn't know Ryan, and haven't been on long enough to be a fan of his music or activity in the community, but I do know this forum and if he's one of the people that really made it what it is than I'm very grateful.

This is where I come to see what real musicians are doing, the ones who are excited about the future of music and actively building it as we speak. A space like this, where you can hear those voices above the din of the internet is invaluable, so thanks Ryan.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by merlin - 2012/05/05 00:50

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Shocking news...although I only knew Actuel from the forum I still couldn't believe what I read in that Elektron mail...

Really sad to read that one of those guys that is always around with a helpful and reasonable attitude passed away.

My condolences to his family, the Elektron crew and the core members on this board.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by GeneralBigBag - 2012/05/05 01:05

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My condolences to his family... this seems so unreal and terrible.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by BÃ¡tni - 2012/05/05 01:12

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I was looking forward to meeting him in real life one day and I will miss him for sure. He's the greatest guy I've never meet. Always felt like he had my back and cheered me on when things got tough. Wish I could get on a plane to Indy right now.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

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Posted by microluv - 2012/05/05 01:36

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Actuel.  
What this site means to me;  
-I was able to be on my first album (machine)  
-All of us using the same machines, in our own ways.  
-Sharing our tricks and techniques.  
-Teaching new Elektron users

Without this site and the community all wouldn't be possible.

Rest in peace

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by glitched - 2012/05/05 01:52

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Can't believe this! I was just chatting with him over Twitter about the 45 Tribute website being down...and now he's gone?! Big WTF!

What can I say that hasn't already been said? His contributions to this community were immeasurable. Elektron-Users fostered creativity, collaboration, and, as others have said, relationships.

I won't speculate as to what his ailment was, but it must have been bad; he was often tweeting about bone marrow transplants and other serious procedures.

So unfortunate. My condolences.

Warmest Regards,

D. Lee

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by Beardy Jack - 2012/05/05 01:57

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Words always seem pathetic at times like this but my sorrow goes out to all those who knew him, and it seems to me he has created the friendliest forum around.

It's lovely to see so many people pay their respects, his family and friends must be touched.

Rest Well...

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by anselmi - 2012/05/05 02:01

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IÂ´m speechless...canÂ´t believe...

Rest in peace...

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by Big Bang - 2012/05/05 02:02

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I'm very saddened for his family and friends. Didn't know him at all but judging from his posts he seemed like a class act.

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RIP:(

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by olafp - 2012/05/05 02:13

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Thanks man we miss u!

bon voyage

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by BlueWolfSe7en - 2012/05/05 02:15

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I'm relatively new here too so I didn't know him tho I've come across many informative posts in which he played an integral part!

From reading this thread it seams he was one of the people responsible for getting the 'Elektron User' ball rolling so lets grab that ball & run with it folks!

Deepest condolences to his family & friends.

All the very best

Phil

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by Bencodec - 2012/05/05 02:28

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Condolences to his family. This is so sad. Hope he's enjoying the ultimate party in the sky, and it's his turn on the PA.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by battery collection - 2012/05/05 02:46

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absolutely dreadfully awful news. i'll always remember ryan for his friendship, hilarity, talent and wonderful personality. he was always a very kind, generous and understanding person. nobody ever "deserves" a serious illness, and if anything is ever a striking example of that, it's absolutely this.

my thoughts go out to his wife, son and extended family. i can't begin to imagine all that you've been through and will go through. he will be missed very deeply, i'm sure.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by LowThreshold - 2012/05/05 02:51

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I haven't posted here for long, after receiving the sad news from Elektron HQ I felt the need to login just to let know my deep sadness. You will be missed.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by Veets - 2012/05/05 03:38

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Thank you Actuel for shepherding this community through many changes, especially over the last year. Thank you for being a voice of moderation when some people lost their cool. Thanks for your wit and tireless contributions. You will never be forgotten in this community. My best wishes to your family and loved ones.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by tIB - 2012/05/05 03:54

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After waking to this news this morning I've spent the day waiting to get some time so I could try to say something meaningful... Now that I'm actually typing I just can't find the words.

All of the things that are positive about this community are a direct reflection of Ryan's character (and presence) here: friendly, positive, inspirational, sharing, knowledgeable... I could go on. There aren't many people in this world who could develop a community like this, the people who actually would are even fewer- It takes someone truly special. I just can't imagine what his family and friends are going through right now. I only hope that they can draw some solace from the knowledge that he touched and inspired so many people in his life. It's just so tragic that he's been taken from his son. I'm so sorry.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by RichardDevine - 2012/05/05 03:54

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I was totally shocked to read the news this morning. I am deeply sadden by the news of Ryan's passing. He was a kind generous person, I am glad that I had the chance to get to know him and work with him over the years. Sending my condolences to his family, you will be missed my friend, but never forgotten.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by johnathon doe - 2012/05/05 04:01

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The best reflection of an individual comes with their passing.  
How people react and answer to such a tragedy.

I hope all of his close family and friends get a chance to see this forum post.

We all live so far apart, yet so close together here.

RIP Ryan aka Actuel

peace  
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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by RobbieNerve - 2012/05/05 04:04

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All positive energy wished to the ones who have to go through this loss.

RIP.

.Robin

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by sicijk - 2012/05/05 04:08

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never knew him. but what remains inside my heart is something -i feel- I will be missing everyday.

a huge joinful and unifying (like you, Ryan) HuG to all of you Guys. thank you

Thanks everyday Ryan, rest in peace

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by mome rath - 2012/05/05 04:19

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how terrible :(

so sorry to read this

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by Nils - 2012/05/05 04:33

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tIB wrote:

After waking to this news this morning I've spent the day waiting to get some time so I could try to say something meaningful... Now that I'm actually typing I just can't find the words.

All of the things that are positive about this community are a direct reflection of Ryan's character (and presence) here: friendly, positive, inspirational, sharing, knowledgeable... I could go on. There aren't many people in this world who could develop a community like this, the people who actually would are even fewer- It takes someone truly special. I just can't imagine what his family and friends are going through right now. I only hope that they can draw some solace from the knowledge that he touched and inspired so many people in his life. It's just so tragic that he's been taken from his son. I'm so sorry.

Well said Andy. I've been thinking about his son all day, it does my head in. Ryan's son and my son were born just a few days apart, making this situation particularly touchy for me.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by darenager - 2012/05/05 04:53

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by anselmi - 2012/05/05 05:08

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darenager wrote:

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it's a nice document for sure

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by futureimage - 2012/05/05 05:14

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I can't believe this awful news. Ryan was an amazing guy simply for setting up this community. His musical work was some of the most exciting, unique material I've ever heard. Rest in peace Ryan, we are forever indebted to you for giving us E-U.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by flabby - 2012/05/05 05:28

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So sorry to hear this.  
My condolences to his family.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by erkki - 2012/05/05 05:51

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Very sad to read this. My thoughts go to the family.  
Rest in peace.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by lostinthemanual - 2012/05/05 06:00

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previewlounge wrote:  
Farewell, Actuel. May your journeys through space and time be illuminated with love.  
i just like to echo this nice words.  
bon voyage

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by coldfuture - 2012/05/05 06:16

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Wow this is so sad I am in tears.

What Actuel did with this community has meant so, so much to me personally in my musical pursuits. I would be nowhere really, without all the input, much of it from his many posts.

I feel so grateful and sad. :(

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by dataline - 2012/05/05 06:18

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darenager wrote:  
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Excellent idea!!!

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by Pong Fu - 2012/05/05 06:41

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Not knowing who Actuel actually was, I've seen his name a lot on this forum.  
Sure feels like the commemoration of the dead today, with Adam Yauch also dying and everything.  
And death is still sad, makes life seem pointless.  
Let's hope Jesus is not the only one conquering this whole death thing.

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### Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by YNE - 2012/05/05 07:26

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Without knowing you personally - thank you Ryan for setting up this wonderful place.  
Simply the best music production forum on the net with a unique spirit which reflects a lot of your personality.

You will be missed indeed. All the best for your family and your friends.

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### Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by koshimazaki - 2012/05/05 08:12

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I just red it on fb, this is horrible news.. I'm shocked.  
You will be missed Ryan, you were great man. Rest in Peace.

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### Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by digitalwhitelabel - 2012/05/05 08:18

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Sincere condolences to the family.  
No one on earth is forever, but he is eternal, now here.

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### Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by Leccius - 2012/05/05 08:21

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(Uff). Rip.

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### Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by orwell - 2012/05/05 08:52

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shocked at this news  
condolences to all family and friends of Ryan  
lovely guy who created a lovely online family  
hopefully he is off somewhere creating interesting thing and creating new communities  
we will all miss him

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### Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by polyslax - 2012/05/05 09:06

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I would like to contribute a track. I'm inclined to choose a track I know Ryan liked, and I think I have one in mind.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by simple - 2012/05/05 09:24

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New to this forum, sad news, he will clearly be missed.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by SenorFrio - 2012/05/05 10:53

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My condolences. He has done so much for the EM community. RIP.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by irvwash - 2012/05/05 11:06

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My most heartfelt condolences to his family and friends. Thank you for your wonderful contribution, Ryan.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by we88 - 2012/05/05 11:46

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We all have a great debt to his Legacy here.

my heartfelt condolences go out for his family and close friends.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by kraftf - 2012/05/05 14:09

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Very sad to hear about this loss. The creator of this place is gone in a very young and productive age. Condolences go to the whole community and especially to his family and friends.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by mnonner - 2012/05/05 14:17

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I didn't know him and had no interactions with him on this forum, but my heart sank when I heard this.

To everyone that knew him, you have my deepest sympathy.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by bells clanging - 2012/05/05 16:40

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I am so sad to hear of this terrible loss. Ryan was an amazing individual, who inspired so many in this community, including me.

My thoughts are with his family. I hope they see that this forum and the artists Ryan gathered here are a monument to

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the creativity and grace of his life.

sincerely,

Jason

Bells Clanging

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by z01d - 2012/05/05 17:02

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So sad. RIP Actuel.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by tactical chug - 2012/05/05 17:17

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Tragic, seemed like a genuinely lovely man, deepest sympathy to his family and friends

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by bhc303 - 2012/05/05 17:21

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Peace brother you will be missed!

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by TOS - 2012/05/05 19:38

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Very sad news.

Rest in peace.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by analept - 2012/05/05 19:54

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Thank you for everything you brought us.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by trebor - 2012/05/05 20:33

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condolences to all who knew him & loved him

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by Opuswerk - 2012/05/05 23:15

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Quite a schock to read this.  
Should be a reminder for all of us, that life really holds onto very little and we should do the best of it.

RIP and thanks for all that you've built here on E-U and elsewhere.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by dasz - 2012/05/06 00:36

Really sad to hear this news , you will be missed..... Sending sincere condolences to his family....

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by lameaim - 2012/05/06 03:07

Definitely a shock to hear this.

Actuel, thank you for everything you have done for us here. Rest in peace, friend.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by RubixGroove - 2012/05/06 04:57

Haven't clicked around the boards in a week or two and this was the first thing I saw when I got back here.... much love, Ryan. Your love of music and care for community won't be forgot.

Hope the multiverse is treating you well.

high5

-Justin

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by BUROMASCHINEN - 2012/05/06 06:35

Thank you for giving life to the most beautiful community I've ever seen on the internet. I won't be making music without Elektron machines and I only bought one because of this forum. I owe you all the music I made since then. You will be missed.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by pelektor - 2012/05/06 06:41

This was so sad to hear!.. He will be missed, such a great guy....

Really, increadibly sad to hear this..  
RIP

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by merge - 2012/05/06 07:33

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Very Sad Rest in Peace Brother see you in another Dimension .Your Earth Body Dies but your Soul will life forever.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by majipoor - 2012/05/06 18:27

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So sad news... Can t stop thinking about his son, as a father myself... Be well Ryan, wherever you are now...

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by anselmi - 2012/05/06 21:35

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majipoor wrote:

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by coldfuture - 2012/05/07 00:10

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anselmi wrote:

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Yes, I am a dad too and this part is very sad to me. I also just lost my own father to cancer so its all very clear to me how deep this runs.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by electrolegs - 2012/05/07 00:48

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I just found out he was the 'driving force behind the community" (Elektron Users) - So for that, I say say many thanks. I also wish his family the best. x

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by Nein - 2012/05/07 01:19

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anselmi wrote:

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This is something that I have been thinking a lot about as well the past couple of days.

I wish them all the best.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by noha - 2012/05/07 02:17

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Wow, this is so shocking and tragic.

In my dealings with him Ryan was an excellent fellow, and after I purchased his Monomachine he was nice enough to leave some of his amazingly advanced and excellent patches on there. They are and still continue to be inspirational and educational for me as I progress on that machine and have served as the basis for what I understand as that deep machine's capacity.

I will treasure that Monomachine even more now.

thank you Ryan,  
farewell.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by monoman - 2012/05/07 02:43

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I am shocked although I only knew Ryan from the forum. The lyrics from Pink Floyd "Shine On You Crazy Diamond" come to my mind while looking at his avatar:

Shine On You Crazy Diamond  
Remember when you were young,  
You shone like the sun.  
Shine on you crazy diamond.  
Now theres a look in your eyes,  
Like black holes in the sky.  
Shine on you crazy diamond.  
You were caught on the crossfire  
Of childhood and stardom,  
Blown on the steel breeze.  
Come on you target for faraway laughter,  
Come on you stranger, you legend, you martyr, and shine!

You reached for the secret too soon,  
You cried for the moon.  
Shine on you crazy diamond.  
Threatened by shadows at night,  
And exposed in the light.  
Shine on you crazy diamond.  
Well you wore out your welcome  
With random precision,  
Rode on the steel breeze.  
Come on you raver, you seer of visions,  
Come on you painter, you piper, you prisoner, and shine!

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by chapelier fou - 2012/05/07 15:06

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Just came back and read this. Shocked.  
Rest in peace.



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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by Caustic Crush - 2012/05/09 08:30

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I just got my DSL up and running after a storm, only to hear about Ryan and MCA.

I'd like to thank Actuel for creating a positive meeting place where ideas can be shared, and people can converse.

Being able to talk to talented people from all around the world about our common interests has been a daily, rewarding experience for me. I hope to get to know all of you better as the year progresses.

May seeds be planted.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by pixelife - 2012/05/09 12:30

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So sad. The proof of his hard work and dedication will live on here on this forum, as will the memory of him.

Life is so fleeting. All you can do is be a good person and do thoughtful things with your friends, family and colleagues. These things are priceless and continue on after you no longer do. Rest well, sir.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by skujo - 2012/05/09 19:36

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It's sad to see someone capable of bringing so many good people together pass on. He will be missed and remembered by many.

Thank you Ryan for all you did. RIP

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by anselmi - 2012/05/09 22:05

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the best tribute we can do is keep this site true to its principles of being the center of the elektron users community, as it is now

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by daswesen - 2012/05/11 06:55

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I don't know what to say, I'm stunned. Best wishes to his family. Ryan was so supportive when I started out, and when I was going through some rough times. He played a very important role in my life. I am just stunned and speechless... I can't say much more.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by Elastic - 2012/05/13 01:42

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I've only just got my MD, and i've only made a couple of posts, but i would like to pass my condolences to his family, friends and everyone else on here that knew him. x

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by HighSage - 2012/05/14 02:15

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But perhaps this is the most telling of all:

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"Thanks for getting back so quickly Shaggie. Essentially, I am merely looking for parts. I am relatively comfortable with the build myself. Here's a screenshot of my build:

<http://cl.ly/5vZV>

I need the following:

All grey knobs - black

Fader - black

Flat circular buttons - black

Pill buttons - black

Red Blacklit - LCD"

And while the references to black today may give us all a chill down our spine, the most telling part of his heart is in the top right corner: May we always stay a community first, and individuals last. And may Ryan's ghost forever be the words between the lines on this forum....

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by anselmi - 2012/05/14 03:55

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I really loved this color layout when he posted it some time ago...:)

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by PLOVA - 2012/05/14 17:19

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Last year, Ryan appointed me as an administrator as I kept coming across really annoying spam posts. They ranged from viagra meds to leather handbags, and were really starting to piss me off.

As a new user with only a hundred or so posts it was very trusting of him to give me this role, as he obviously could tell from my regular spam reports that I cared about the forum.

It was an honour to be given a caretaking job on this site to keep it clean and focussed on what it was originally created for.

We exchanged several emails throughout last year and he was always very friendly and welcoming.

What a shame, he certainly made his mark whilst visiting this planet, but I'm sure he's continuing his work elsewhere.

Big up Actuel!

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by dataline - 2012/05/14 17:32

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HighSage wrote:

[http://cl.ly/5vZV/ot\\_limited.jpg](http://cl.ly/5vZV/ot_limited.jpg)

I just love that screen colour! Would pay for 'another octatrack' to get that screen on mine :)

The top right corner fits the design so well! Big up Actuel!

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by previewlounge - 2012/05/14 18:14

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awesome screen, i wonder if Elektron could offer this as the Actuel custom screen option.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by Nils - 2012/05/14 20:06

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It's basically the MD screen with inverted graphics, so it should be doable. I inquired Elektron about fitting the MD screen last year, and their reply was "it's doable, but at your own risk".

A factory special edition would be different of course. I'd love to see the Actuel special edition.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by howdragonsdisappear - 2012/05/14 21:20

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i ask them about the red screen when i preorder my OT, they say they could'nt do it, but nothing impossible.

I never like the blue screen as on the mono, but they told me that most people prefer blue screen, that people complaining about not seeing well the MD screen.

The blue screen hurt my eyes on the dark would like so much to have a red one.

I guess blue eyes don't like blue screen ^^

BTW the ref to the previous version of elektron users is lovely.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by previewlounge - 2012/05/14 21:38

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agree re/ Mnm screen.

i would like to change the Monomachine screen to be a deep purple background with emerald-blue text...  
edit: with purple, yellow and orange LED's.

the Machinedrum red screen? my favourite feature, apart from the sound! :)

i really miss Actuel's presence here on the boards, although at the same time, his good energy really is the space between the lines here, as HighSage mentioned.

if Elektron brought out a custom Actuel model of the OT, i would buy one immediately.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by Toni - 2012/05/15 04:05

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Nils wrote:

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Yep, 'Actuel special edition' or 'Elektron-users special edition'. Very nice idea. Let's hope Elektron is reading this.

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by kirlian - 2012/05/15 04:25

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+1,000,000 :)

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## Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by papertiger - 2012/05/19 22:40

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jsrockit wrote:  
May I ask what happened?

Actuel was a very private person, but I don't think he would mind if I answered this question. Ryan had leukemia. He had been fighting the cancer for a few years.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by kirlian - 2012/05/23 06:17

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<http://soundcloud.com/actuel>

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by darenager - 2012/05/23 19:30

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xposted from the compilation thread

<http://www.actual-memories.com/>

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by dubgil - 2012/06/06 06:22

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I haven't been on the forum much for the past few months, but thru the compilation idea I came to this thread. I've read every post from page 1 - 10. Oddly enough I just put this track on, and the mood compliments what I read.

<http://youtu.be/fPcFSVHTHC8>

I can't recall if I ever exchanged many posts/emails with him, but I know we interacted via the forum. All the posts demonstrate what an amazing person he was. I look forward to the contributions made in his memory.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by D07N01R - 2012/06/06 08:22

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journey on friend! Terrible loss for all. This community is a tribute to his talent and energy.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by godfrey - 2012/06/09 23:43

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I am a casual user and browser user of this community forum however I am saddened by this news. Actuel's contributions were always poignant and stimulating. Rest in peace brother.

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**Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.**

Posted by tjebbe - 2012/06/10 21:05

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Thankz for everything Ryan ( thankz for sending my passwords) and escpecially for this forum

guys wouldnt it be cool to let Ryan's name be on the forum forever by not chan'ging the admins name when you ask for ressetting your password i forget my password many times and when i ask for my password it was nice that ryan send it to me last week it really gave me a extra dimension like his soul was still on the forum just a thought and a great ode to the creator

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### Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by faehnler\_bii - 2013/02/04 04:20

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I can't believe that I've been away from the forum for so long, and now to find this as I log back in... I'm so sorry to hear it. :(

My condolences to the Faubion family.  
RIP Ryan, you were an amazing person, artist, and community builder.

May we live on in your memory and make the most of your labors.

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### Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by anselmi - 2013/05/07 15:28

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On Friday we meet a year without Actuel ... I hope his wife and son are well...

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### Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by synthangel - 2013/05/07 17:01

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RIP, Actuel  
Thanks for your construction on this community to connect all together.

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### Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by swiv - 2013/05/11 23:15

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So sorry to hear this. Rest in peace Ryan.

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### Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by kirlian - 2013/08/19 12:44

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### Re:Goodbye, Actuel. You will be missed.

Posted by anselmi - 2013/08/20 00:15

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he's alive when you think about him my friend :)

and he's alive in this very same forum...this and the Elektron community is his legacy for sure

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