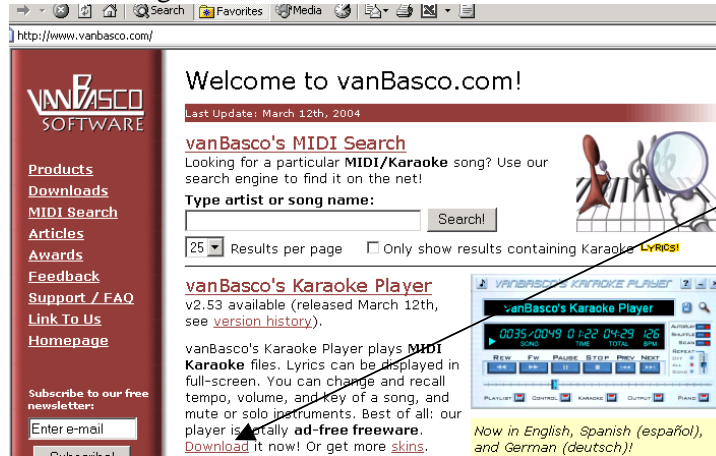


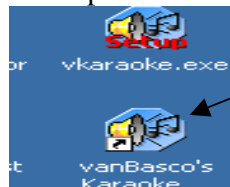
Van Basco's Karaoke

This amazing software is available FREE from www.vanbasco.com



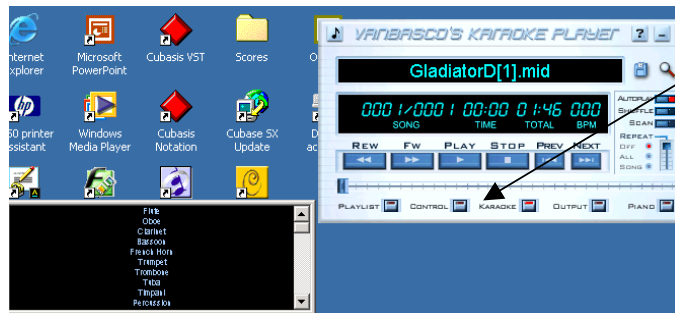
The download is quick because it is a very simple programme. Just click on **Download** to get the software. You will be asked for your email address but I have not been hassled for any money or been bombarded with unwelcome emails.

When you have the software downloaded, the vanBasco's icon should appear on your desktop.



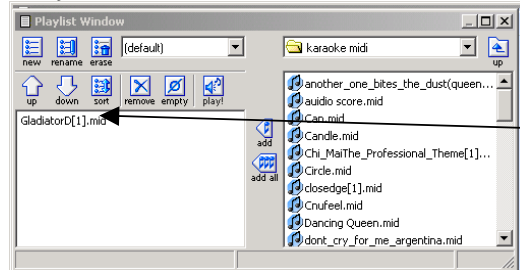
Click on this one to load the programme.

It will appear on your screen looking like this:-

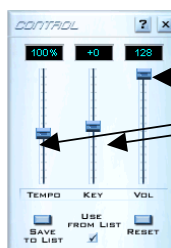


If you click on these icons you can chose which devices you want to see on screen.

They all have their uses and look like this:-



This is the **Playlist** where you can store songs that you want to use. If you double-click on one of your songs in the list, it then appears in this window, and if you double click on this one, the song will play.



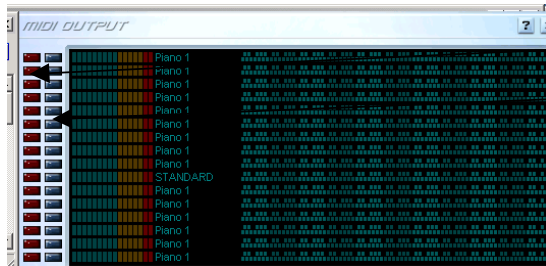
This brilliant **Control** allows you to adjust the Tempo, Pitch, and Volume.

The pitch control is very helpful for adjusting the pitch to suit voices and to transposing into C to understand chord changes easily



what chords are being used, or what notes the tune uses.

The **Piano** displays the actual notes being played. This can be handy to see



The **Midi Output** allows you to mute channels or to make one channel play louder than the others.

To find and download songs to try out, click on this icon:-

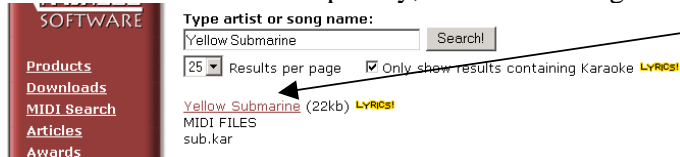


You need to be "online" as this will allow us to search the internet for your chosen song or artist:-



If you want lyrics with it, make sure this box is ticked.

The search is made and hopefully, a site containing the song you want exists.

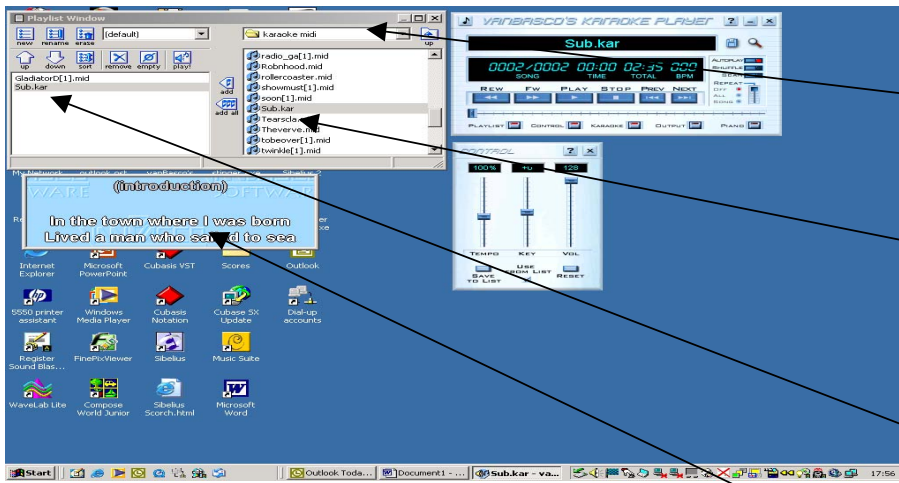


You have to search the site to find the song:-



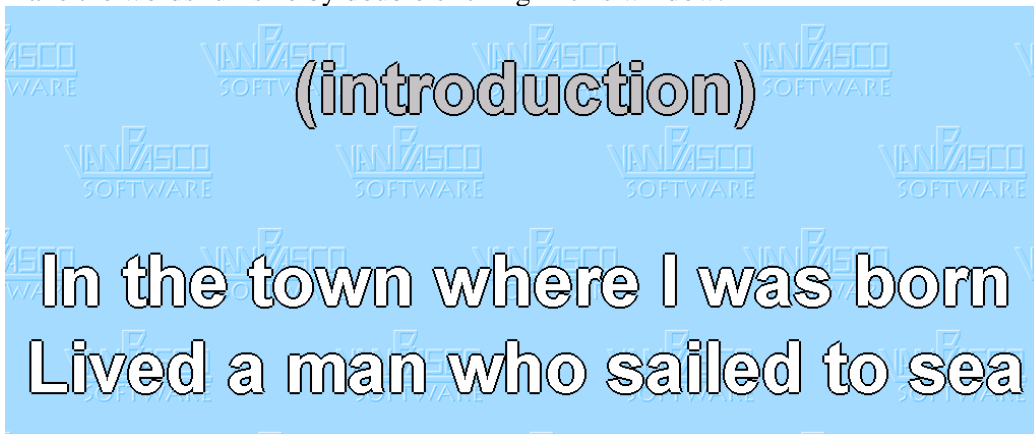
When you have found it, hold down right mouse button. You get this dialogue, choose **Save target As**, and save the file to somewhere where

you know you will be able to find it. I have created a special folder for karaoke files.



I saved it to this file that I created. So now it appears in the play list. I double click on it and it appears here, from

where I double click on it. Now the words appear in the karaoke window, and I can make the words full size by double clicking in this window.



Double click in this window to go back and see all the controls. Just like real karaoke, the words will be followed.

WARNING

There is no guarantee that the file you have down-loaded is of a good quality. Most are but always check before keeping a file. Often there are several to choose from, try them all and only keep the best one!

- YOU WILL NEED A DATA PROJECTOR OR TV TO DISPLAY THE WORDS.
- THE QUALITY OF THE SOUNDS WILL DEPEND ON HOW GOOD THE SOUND CARD IN YOUR COMPUTER IS.
- Beware of copyright infringements.

- Professionally produced midi- karaoke of selected current top10 hits are available from sites like :-

From a site like this, it costs £4:75 to download top ten hits like:-

UK Singles Top 10 - 17 April 05		
1 (1)	(Is This The Way To) Amarillo	Tony Christie ft Peter Kay Buy
2 (-)	Somewhere Else	Razorlight Vote
3 (-)	1-2 Step	Ciara ft Missy Elliot Vote
4 (-)	The Wonder of You	Elvis Presley Vote
5 (-)	Switch	Will Smith Vote
6 (3)	Let Me Love You	Mario Buy
7 (4)	Candy Shop	50 Cent Vote
8 (6)	It's Like That	Mariah Carey Vote
9 (-)	So Much Love	Freeloaders ft The Real Thing Vote
20 (11)	Rich Girl	Gwen Stefani ft Eve Buy

They are very good quality, so if you compare the cost of the karaoke download with sheet music, the price does seem reasonable.

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