• System 6.0.2   or higher (available from your Apple dealer).

• Either OMS or the MIDI Manager.   Either one or both will work.   OMS is is very powerful but you may also want to use the MIDI Manager, especially if you need to communicate with older MIDI Manager programs. (The MIDI Manager is no longer being supported by Apple.)

• Anthem uses the Sonata™ music font from Adobe Systems, Inc.
This font should be installed in the System Folder before launching Anthem.   Anthem can actually use other popular music fonts successfully but Sonata™ is the only one currently fully supported.   (By all means experiment with other fonts, but results will vary).

QuickTime Musical Instruments are recommended for use with Anthem but are not required.   With QuickTime Music Instruments installed you can compose and play scores without an external MIDI connection.   This is handy for composing on airplanes, for example.

The "Anthem Help" document should be in the same folder as Anthem.   If you are using OMS, the "Anthem Name Provider" document should be the the OMS folder.

If you are using the MIDI Manager

Before launching Anthem be sure to drag a copy of the MIDI manager/driver to your system folder.   .

Use PatchBay™, an Apple program, to graphically connect the input/output ports of Anthem to the MIDI driver ports.   You only have to do this once.   Anthem will remember the connections.

If you are using OMS

Be sure and put the supplied file "Anthem Name Provider" into the OMS folder.

If you already have an OMS Studio setup then you only need to subscribe to your patch libraries using the "OMS Name Setup" menu item.   If this is your first time using OMS, then you need to create an "OMS Studio" using Anthem's "OMS Setup" menu item under the "Preferences" menu.   Once you have told OMS what your studio capability is, start creating Patch Librarian documents using the menu items under the "Library" menu.   Anthem can automate quite a bit of this; for example, it can figure out patch names by looking at the   MIDI SysEx data stream.   Normally, this is not a perfect process so be prepared to hand edit the names.   Be sure and study the example Patch Librarian document for examples on how to automate the librarian features.   See the chapter "Creating and Using Patch Librarians" for details.

Use the help features

Anthem has extensive online help features. If you are using System 7.x, use balloon help and menu items under the "?" menu.