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Google Glass integrates music service

NEW YORK CITY, USA: Google's new Internet-connected eyewear will have the capacity to play music as specially designed earbuds will be incorporated into the device to deliver high-quality audio from the eyewear.



Google Glass devices are likely to go on sale early in the new year. Image: Wiki Images

"Music is coming to Glass in several cool ways," a Google spokesman said in an email. "Sound search can identify the song you're hearing but don't know the name of. All you have to say is 'OK Glass, what song is this?' and it'll name the tune for you.

"We'll also be adding a new voice command to Glass that lets you access your tunes from Google Play Music or All Access," the spokesman said.

According to a statement from the company, the new earbuds are engineered specifically for Glass to provide high quality sound.

Google has not announced a date for the public release date of Google Glass but speculation centres on early 2014.

Facebook, Twitter and major news organisations have already tailored applications for Glass, which has only been made available to developers and a limited selection of "explorers" who paid US\$1,500 each for the eyewear.

Uses range from practical tasks such as shopping or reading local weather reports to sharing real time video streams or playing augmented reality games in which the world is the board.

Glass lets wearers take pictures, record video, send messages or perform other tasks with touch controls or by voice commands.

The eyewear connects to the Internet using Wi-Fi hot spots or, more typically, by being wirelessly tethered to mobile phones.

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