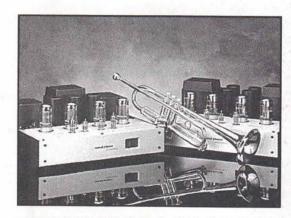
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HOW TO PUT A HIGH-END SYSTEM TOGETHER

Special Seminar, Wednesday, November 15 at 6:00 p.m.



Are there audible differences between components? What should you listen for when choosing components? What will high-end equipment do? At a special seminar for one evening only, Wednesday, November 15, at 5:30 p.m., meet Tor Sivertsen, National Sales Manager of Conrad-Johnson Design, manufacturer of award-winning high-end solid-state and tube electronics. He will be at The Stereo Shop to demonstrate a state-of-the-art highend audio system and answer all of your questions. Please call Nicholas Perfito at 523-7250 for reservations. Come early and enjoy refreshments.

HOME THEATER FOR THE 21ST CENTURY!

AN ELITE BY PIONEER SEMINAR

November 15, 1995 - 7:00 p.m.

What's new in rapidly-developing home theater technology? For one evening only, Wednesday, November 15, 1995 at 7:30 p.m., meet the direct factory representative for Elite. FIND OUT about the new "Heads Up" system-wide control system, "Dolby Surround AC-3," and the new Elite large-screen projection TVs, laserdisc players and receivers! Experience the highest-quality home theater picture and sound at this exclusive seminar! Seating will be limited. Please call Bob Dacundo at 523-7250 for reservations!

Bring Your Ideas, Building Plans, Picture of Your Home

Come early and enjoy refreshments

WHAT'S WRONG WITH MY COMPACT DISC PLAYER?

Skipping - Distortion - Low Output - Muddy Sound, etc.

Bring your compact disc player to The Stereo Shop during November for our CD maintenance clinic. We will assess its performance and capabilities, clean the lens and align the laser to prevent laser deterioration. Dirty lenses and poor laser alignment cause many CD player problems, including laser "burnout." Protect your investment-bring your CD player to the clinic.

Save 50%

CD Maintainence Special \$34.50 Save 50% !!!

NEW McIntosh AT THE STEREO SHOP!

NEW - The MX-130 Audio/Video Control Center - not just a home theater preamp! This incredible component is two control centers in one! It can simultaneously control a home theater and play music in other parts of your home! For the ultimate home entertainment system, the MX-130 is the first choice for flexibility, reliability and ease of use. It is actually three components: A full featured McIntosh AM/FM tuner and preamplifier, a home theater Dolby Pro Logic/THX surround sound processor, and a remote control center, able to control other listening areas throughout the home from hand held or keypad remotes. Yet it is beautifully crafted on one chassis, with McIntosh's classic glass front panel design, and can be proudly



McIntosh MX-130 \$4299.00

displayed as a modern work of technological art! The MX-130 is the finest synthesis yet of audiophile performance and remote control convenience and capability. Upgradable to AC-3! When you want the best, McIntosh is the choice!

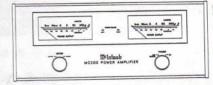


McIntosh MX-118 \$2999.00

NEW - The MX-118 Audio/Video Control Center When the MX-130 offers more than you need or want the MX-118 is the perfect choice. Featuring the same high quality sound and contruction, with, Dolby-Pro Logic surround sound decoding circuits in addition to its "McIntosh quality" preamp and tuner on one chassis. The MX-118 can be the heart of your home theater and multi-room remote control audio installation!

NEW - The Latest McIntosh Power Amplifiers! McIntosh has issued an entire new line of power amplifiers of uncompromising quality, the result of the many years of engineering and manufacturing experience of the MAC design staff. The new MC-300 is one of the finest amps ever produced by McIntosh, offering both excellent sound quality and power. With 300 watts of power at less than .005 THD, the MC-300 will supply as much as 85 amperes peak current into difficult impedance loads. As in all McIntosh power amplifiers, the famous patented McIntosh POWER GUARD circuit is included. With McIntosh you'll never have to be concerned with amplifier overdrive when playing wide dynamic range program sources.

NEW!



McIntosh MC-300 \$3750.00

such as compact discs. There is a McIntosh amp for any application, from 40 watts per channel to 1000 watts! McIntosh also offers a new line of multi-channel amplifiers, for home theater and multi-area systems. We will be happy to demonstrate the full line of McIntosh power amplifiers at The Stereo Shop and show you why they are superior.

NEW - McIntosh High-Technology Home Theater Loudspeakers! The all new line of McIntosh speakers systems reflect an innovative engineering excellence and dedication to quality similar to that of the legendary McIntosh electronics. McIntosh engineers have successfully achieved the best possible balance of all vital design factors in a new tronics. McIntosh engineers have successfully achieved the best possible balance of all vital design factors in a new tronics.



McIntosh SL-6

loudspeaker the SL-6. An advanced design, 3-way system which includes two 6.5" woofers, one 6.5" woofer/midrange and three aluminum dome tweeters in a vertical array. The SL-6 provides superb reproduction from high quality signal sources such as compact disc. This design also excels when used to reproduce the left and right channels in a home theater system. The small footprint and magnetic shielding of these models make them ideal for placement close to your TV or monitor. Also the SL-6 is THX licensed for state of the art custom installations. If space is limited in your home theater area, McIntosh also offers the SL-4 (two 6 1/2" woofers, one tweeter) and the low-profile HT-4 center speaker (two 6 1/2" woofers, three tweeters). monitor. Now you can have McIntosh performance in an attractive slimline tower enclosure. SL-6 \$2500.00 pair SL-4 \$1750.00 pair HT-4 \$895.00 pair

And these are just the latest McIntosh products! I invite you to The Stereo Shop to evaluate the full line of McIntosh instruments - handcrafted in the USA to be the best! Nicholas J. Perfito 523-7250

ELITE BY_PIONEER



The Next Level in Home

Dolby Surround AC-3 is the newest digital sound compression technology developed by Dolby Laboratories, becoming widely popular in advanced movie houses under the name "Dolby Stereo Digital." It has also been designated as the sound format for high-definition TV, the next generation system in the United States. And now you can have it right in your home as "Dolby Surround AC-3" with Elite by Pioneer's laser disc players. It's a true digital soundtrack system, with six independent channels of digital audio surround (three front, two rear, and subwoofer). The result is a dramatic improvement in sound quality over normal Dolby Pro Logic.

Elite by Pioneer's laser disc players have an AC-3 RF output terminal that makes it easy to connect. Just connect the AC-3 RF output terminal from the player to Elite's new AC-3 surround A/V receiver, the VSX-99. When you play a Dolby AC-3 laser disc, you can enjoy the six independent channels of digital audio surround on a new Elite player and VSX-99 receiver, but if your equipment is not up to date, playing an AC-3 disc will still allow you to hear regular two-channel stereo or the standard four-channel Dolby Pro-Logic surround format. Needless to say, though, Elite by Pioneer's laser disc players and VSX-99 AC-3 receiver represent the cutting edge in advanced home theater entertainment, and you can hear AC-3 right here at The Stereo Shop.

New Elite LaserDisc Players

Elite offers three new laserdisc players, the CLD-99, CLD-79 and CLD-59. Each offers LD/CDV/CD playback, automatic playback of both sides of a laserdisc, and ability to decode AC-3 laserdiscs. Each also features Legato Link digital to analog sound, which extends the frequency response above 20kHz. The differences consist of refinement in performance and number of features.









CLD-59 \$795.00





CLD-99 \$2100.00

CLD-79 \$1295.00

Home Theater Receivers from Elite

Four new receivers, the VSX-99, VSX-79, VSX-59, and VSX-49 provide high quality home theater performance over a wide price range. Only the 500-watt VSX-99 offers Dolby Surround AC-3 along with Dolby Pro Logic and a variety of sound field modes. The VSX-79 provides 390 watts to all channels, Pro Logic, and other soundfield modes. The VSX-59 and VSX-49 have 330 watts and 300 watts respectively, and Dolby Pro Logic. All receivers feature Elite's Intelligent System Control.



VSX-99 \$1995.00



VSX-79 \$995.00



VSX-59 \$695.00



VSX-49 \$495.00



PRO-118 60" TV \$4999.00

New Elite TVs

NEW!

The new reference projection TV monitors from Elite, the 60" screen PRO-118 and 51" screen PRO-98 give you more than just bigger, wider screens and bright colors, they have simply the best picture available. They also feature the variable expansion technology of "Cinema Wide System" and "Full Cinema Mode." You can expand the picture across the entire screen whether you're watching a normal TV broadcast or enjoying a prerecorded movie. "Zoom" a letterbox movie so it fills the screen, unmarred by black stripes at the top or bottom! Let's not forget the Intelligent System Control, an ergonomic Heads-up Remote and on-screen display system so you can control your home theater just by keeping your eyes on the screen, not on the remote.

I invite you to audition these superb new Elite components. I am always available to answer any of your questions, or to help you design your own unique home entertainment system! Bob Dacundo 523-7250

ADCOMILS YOU CAN HEAR

dcom components are designed to provide the most sound for your money. Over the years, Adcom has introduced tuner/preamplifiers, power amplifiers and compact disc changers that have garnished rave reviews the world over. Now, Adcom's latest generation components are available at The Stereo Shop for audiophiles who want to put together great sounding separates at an affordable price!







GTP-600

Tuner/Preamplifiers

Power Amplifiers

GTP-450 Adcom's unique tuner/preamplifiers conveniently combine the sonic advantages of separate components without the compromises inherent in a receiver. By physically separating preamplifier circuits from amplifier circuits, Adcom tuner/preamplifiers deliver better sound and let you choose just the right amount of amplifer power for your speakers and listening environment. \$495.00

GTP-600 Adcom's home theater tuner/preamplifier lets you reproduce the lifelike sounds and imaging of a real movie theater with an attention to detail that only Adcom can deliver. Features like Dolby Pro Logic decoding and exclusive cinema surround let you experience the excitement of your favorite movies. The power and clarity put you right in the middle of the action, because you'll have sound that rivals professional theater systems! \$1099.00



GFA-5800



GFA-5500



NEW! GFA-5800 Adcom's high current amplifiers deliver the pure clean power it takes to achieve pure clean musical sound. All transistors in the signal path are reference grade, hybrid MOSFET transistors that produce all the punch and muscle with the sweet sound of a tube amp. The kind of sound that makes most high-end stereo buffs wake up and take notice! It is hard to believe that this 250 watt per channel "high-end" amp is only in the \$1,500.00 price range! In a world where most amplifiers sound "good," the Adcom GFA-5800 does everything exceptionally well for its price, and its overall musicality is hard to find in any amplifier not costing at least twice its price! If you're in the market for a superior power amp, save yourself a lot of money and check out the fantastic new Adcom GFA-5800! \$1595.00

NEW! GFA-5500 Essentially a smaller, 200-watt per channel version of the GFA-5800, the GFA-5500 has the same circuitry and sound as its bigger brother. Perfect for both music and home theater applications. \$995.00

GFA-6000 This 5-channel power amplifier is designed specifically for home theater. A compact yet powerful amplifier, it delivers 100 watts into each of the three front channels and 60 watts into the two rear channels. Listen to a home theater system built around this amplifier and you'll hear a level of clarity, imaging and depth that can only be found with amplifiers costing two to three times as much! Dollar for dollar, there isn't another five-channel home theater amplifier that can provide this level of power and performance! \$895.00

Compact Disc Changer

GCD-700 Possibly the best-sounding CD changer available, and we'll tell you why. The GCD-700 Class "A" analog amplifier section uses very fast, low noise transistors to clearly define low-level information for superior resolution and dramatically more musical CD reproduction. Midrange harshness and glare are almost totally removed. Sound stage imaging is deeper and more focused. It is hard to believe that this smooth, natural sound is coming from a CD changer, but as always, Adcom finds a way to make the improbable happen at a bargain price! \$695.00



GCD-700

BOSTON ACOUSTICS EXPECT MORE FROM A SYSTEM

Boston Acoustics of Lynnfield, Mass. is one of the world's most successful speaker firms, the successor to the original Boston-area AR, KLH and Advent companies that practically invented high fidelity speakers. Now, Boston Acoustics introduces their latest "Lynnfield" technology to integrate audio and video applications in compact and floor-standing formats for both music and home theater systems.

The CR (compact reference") series is Boston's solution to the long-standing puzzle of how to get big speaker performance from a small enclosure. They dramatically improved the bass response and power handling attainable in a small enclosure with the same technology used for the VR sereies. You'll be amazed at the bass impact from these speakers and how easy they are to place in your home. They're video shielded so you can put them next to your television without affecting the picture. All models fit easily in a wall unit or on a bookshelf.

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CR-6 - Don't let their size (10" X 6") fool you. The CR-6 fills a room with rich, clean full-range sound. \$99.00 each

CR-7 - This compact speaker is equally at home in a dorm room or family room. The bass driver produces powerful sound that belies its small size. \$129.00 each

CR-8 - Delivering true audiophile performance with its Kortee soft dome tweeter and 7" woofer, this model effortlessly reproduces even the most demanding program material. \$169.00 each

CR-9 - Producing as much bass as many floor-standing models, yet still smaller than most bookshelf speakers. With accurate, flat frequency response music listeners want. \$209.00 each



CRX Surround - A small, extremely incospicuous surround speaker capable of filling a room with diffuse, ambient sound. Totally matched to the CR series monitors. Available in black or white. \$99.00 each



The VR ("video reference") series video-shielded floor standing front right and left speakers are Boston Acoustics' finest ever for video and music reproduction. The Lynnnfield VR speakers were designed for audiophiles with televisions, to satisfy listeners who want impeccable musical performance plus the ability to create a world class home theater. Boston offers three models, the VR20 with 7" woofer and VR tweeter, VR30, with VR tweeter, 7" midrange/bass driver and 7" woofer, and the VR40, with VR tweeter, 5" midrange driver and two 7" woofers. Use the VR-12 center channel speaker, one of the finest available, to ensure a seamless VR "front end" in home theater application. Once you enjoy it's smooth, rich sound there may be no going back. VR-20 \$275.00 VR-30 \$395.00 VR-40 \$695.00



VR40

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Three Piece System of the Year - SubSat 7



SUBSAT SYSTEM

You can place the inconspicuous SubSat system in any listening area for sound that is heard but not seen, a versatile alternative to traditional setups. The Power Vent bass module delivers clean, deep bass-and because it is so small you can tuck it away behind furniture, or even in a closet. The SubSat satellites may be wall-mounted, or convienently placed on stands or shelves. With a SubSat system you'll notice the big sound, not the big speakers. Add the matched home theater components to make your room sound sound like a cinema. SubSat-6 \$499.00 SubSat-7 \$749.00

SUBSAT SPECIAL! - Purchase the famous Boston Acoustics Subsat 6 or 7 (satellites with bass module) with SurroundSat 6 satellites, and get the matching center channel FREE!

NEW FROM B&W LISTEN AND YOU'LL SEE

New B&W P-series Speakers

Bowers & Wilkins of England, makers of benchmark monitors for recording studios all around the world, introduce a new series of floor-standing speakers called the P4, P5, and P6 (the P is for "Phenomenal"). These are a new breed of affordable, ultra-high quality speakers using B&W's patented Kevlar bass-midrange unit and 1" metal dome tweeter found on their more expensive Matrix series. Each P series speaker uses a 6 1/2" bass/midrange drive unit with Kevlar fiber composite diaphragm, which delivers outstanding information retrieval due to a clean "transient" response with very low coloration, allowing the natural, neutral sound to come through. B&W has perfected and patented this use of Kevlar, a stiff, man-made material famous for its use in bullet-proof vests! P-series speakers also feature metal dome high frequency drive units which are fluid cooled, which maintains dynamics and definition right to the limits of audibility. The sound remains clean and detailed even when it's quite loud. The technology in all P-series speakers are designed to achieve the best possible sound. All P-series speakers are elegantly slim with smooth, beveled edges and are available in Rosenut, Black Ash and Cherry finishes. These new speakers sound fabulous, fit anywhere and range from \$1,200.00 to \$1,800.00 a pair. Come on in and check them out!

System type: 2-way Drive units: 1 6 1/2" Kevlar bass/midrange, 1" metal dome tweeter Frequency range: -6db at 37Hz and 30 kHz Power required: 30 to 150 watts

\$1,200.00



System type: 3-way Drive units: 1 6 1/2" Kevlar bass/midrange, 1 6 1/2" Cobex bass, 1" metal dome tweeter Frequency range: -6db at 30Hz and 30 kHz Power required: 30 to 150 watts

\$1,500.00



System type: 3-way Drive units: 1 6 1/2" Kevlar bass/midrange, 1 6 1/2" Cobex bass, 1" metal dome tweeter Frequency range: -6db at 29Hz and 30 kHz Power required: 30 to 150 watts

\$1,795.00

Matrix HTM (Home Theater Monitor) Center Channel

Imagine the enjoyment of owning a center channel loudspeaker built to audiophile standards! Just like others in the Matrix series, the HTM cabinet is built with a matrix structure - a lattice of internal honeycombs that brace the



MATRIX HTM CTR CHANNEL

cabinet thoroughly, causing coloration to disappear. With the famous B&W Kevlar 6 1/2" bass/midrange unit and 1" tweeter mounted atop the cabinet, the HTM can be used with any other B&W Matrix speakers to complete one of the finest home theater sound systems available! Come to The Stereo Shop and hear our B&W home theater system with Matrix 805 front and rear speakers, Matrix HTM center channel and Matrix 800 subwoofer! \$795.00 NEW!

NEW!

Matrix 800 -Active Subwoofer

For definitive home cinema of the highest possible standard, the B&W Matrix 800 subwoofer is essential! It delivers full bass sound of seismic intensity. If there is an earthquake on screen, there's one in your living room! It contains a 12" Cobex driver and 200watt amplifier that is protected by "Soft Limiting" to prevent "hard clipping." The Matrix 800 is video shielded so it can be placed close to your TV, and carries the B&W Heritage of supreme quality and technical excellence. \$1595.00



MATRIX 800 **ACTIVE SUBWOOFER**





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"High End" Tube Components

e are proud to be the exclusive Connecticut representative for the excellent Conrad-Johnson components. These are hand-crafted instruments for the dedicated music lover. Conrad-Johnson offers superb solid state and tube preamps, power amplifiers and digital to analog converters for a musical experience conventional equipment just can't provide. These components allow the listener to be thoroughly immersed in a musical performance, as they faithfully reproduce the harmonic structure of even the most complex musical passages while preserving the tonal character of each instrument and voice, and conveying the ambiance of the concert hall. Individual instruments are precisely located within a three dimensional space, reproduced naturally with realistic impact. Such wonderful components are not inexpensive, but Conrad-Johnson has managed to provide an uncompromising lineup while spanning the spectrum from the easily affordable to the absolute stateof-the-art!

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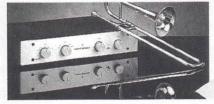


MV-55 \$1995.00

PV-10AL \$995.00

Conrad-Johnson's newly redesigned PV-10AL preamp and MV-55 power amplifier invite the audio enthusiast to delight in the richness of vacuum tube sound without the exorbitant cost. The PV-10AL, a perennial favorite of tube lovers worldwide, offers a "first class" entry ticket to the high end for your system. Many of our customers have found that replacing their current preamplifier with a PV-10 provided a cost-effective "instant upgrade," amazing them with their system's dramatic improvement in sound. Paired with the MV-55, Conrad-Johnson's 45 watt per channel entry level tube power amplifier, the two combine for a level of musicality and sonic richness unequaled in this price range.

Improved power supply and internal parts quality mark the PV-12L



PV-12L \$1795.00

preamplifier, a zero feedback, all-tube design. Astonishing dynamics and more than sufficient gain result from this active design. Mating the PV-12L with any of Conrad-Johnson's top quality solid state power amplifiers, you have a foundation for the best in "hybrid" systems: the depth and musicality of the tube front end with the punch and rock solid reliability of a transistor amp with the current necessary to drive today's high-quality but relatively inefficient loudspeakers. Such a system is the perfect solution for those who are satisfied with the best of both worlds.

But for those who seek the ultimate audiophile tube experience, only the Conrad-Johnson Premier series will suffice. The Premier 14 remote controlled preamplifier is their finest tube design, and should be mated with the either the Premier 11A stereo tube power amplifier (70 watts per channel), or a pair of the exquisite Premier 12 tube monoblock power amplifiers for a whopping 140 watts per channel. While the Stereo Shop often receives letters from customers



DR-1 \$1695.00

thanking us for our service and wonderful equipment, none compared with the fervor of one music lover who, after years of search for the one combination that would transport him to the ineffable realms of musical bliss, sent us a letter detailing his wild love for the Conrad-Johnson Premier components he finally settled upon. By all means, come on by and we'll show you how they sound! Also, we will demonstrate the new D/A 2b all-tube digital to analog converter along with CJ's new DR-1 transport, one listen and you may never leave without one!

We will be very happy to demonstrate these fine products to you anytime so that you can hear music at the very highest level! Don't forget! Come to our "How to Put a High End System Together" Wednesday, November 15 at 5:30 p.m. and meet Conrad-Johnson's National Sales Manager, Tor Sivertsen!

Until Next Time,

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CS-40805 40" TV The world's only 40" picture tube, Mitsubishi's CS-40805 reaches new heights in performance, thanks to an all digital comb filter for higher resolution. Featuring two-tuner picture-in-picture and 700 lines of resolution. Mitsubishi expands this category into a Good-Better-Best, starting at \$2,799.00. It's much more than a large television - it's a small theater!



CS-40805

CS-35505 35" TV Anniversary Edition 35" television with two-tuner picture-in-picture, with a Corian-finished top. The picture-in-picture in this set is sizable and movable so you can choose where you want it. With 700 lines of resolution. Black tint tube, with a reduced curvature for a flatter picture with better contrast and richer colors. \$2,199.00

Mitsubishi VCR's

Mitsubishi hi fi stereo VCRs are among the finest available, with a reputation for excellent sound and picture as well as reliability. No home theater is complete without a Mitsubishi hi fi stereo VCR, with full-spectrum sound and ultimate versatility.

HS-U510 This is a supremely affordable hi fi stereo VCR, packed with features and equipped with the perfect tape system that automatically adjusts for optimum recording performance. The result is better looking recordings. \$399.00



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