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Subject: Re: two towers vs. theater 4's

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Here is my experience with my 2 Pi towers. After finishing my 2 Pis I hooked it up to my Marantz 2252 and did a A/B comparison with my other high priced speakers and the 2 Pi became my Stereo speaker of choice. However, after sometime listening to the 2 Pis I thought the bass could be better, so after re-arranging internal speaker insulation I settled on an improved midrange sound but still no major improvement in the bass department. Around Christmas time frame, a friend of mine gave me two home brew Dynaco Mark III mono blocks that was neglected for sometime... not knowing much about tubes, I paid a tech to get it fixed... afterwards I hooked it up to my 2 Pis and BINGO, the sound was amazing, smooth and relaxed... later on I started to do further research into Mark III design and realized that the original builder of the Mark III had some fundamental questionable circuits in the unit, long story short I ended up rebuilding my Mark IIIs according to the original spec using new capacitors, etc also became more knowledgeable about tube circuits. My new setup involves Marantz 2252 acting as my pre-amp, 2 updated Dynaco Mark IIIs, and 2 Pi towers. The sound coming out of the 2 Pis is now incredibly smooth, the bass is there now (which could be better when it was connected to the Marantz) and I can truly claim there is no listening fatigue whatsoever and I can listen to the 2 Pis all day long.... Perhaps the sound of tube amps is what you are after and if you are electronics savvy there are plenty of tube amp kits/projects out there. Or you may consider rebuilding an old Dynaco amp?

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