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Subject: Re: Piano tuning

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Howdy SoundCheck,

They make a gizmo with a heater and a humidifier controlled by a humidistat, that mounts inside the piano. If the humidity rises too high, a heater kicks on to dry it out, and the humidifier of course does the opposite. It's not only supposed to stabilize the tuning, but also greatly extend the life of the piano. The last I knew they were around 600 bucks, but I guess if somebody played a lot and their house had wide temp/humidity swings, it'd eventually pay for itself.

I knew somebody who put one of the heater bars in their new piano (it's very humid here in Arkansas), and it constantly went out of tune just as bad after it was installed as before. But, it was a really terrible piano, and I don't think anything could've helped it much, besides maybe pushing it off a cliff. .

Thermionic

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