Subject: crown amp comments
Posted by tmoore on Thu, 10 Jan 2008 23:18:28 GMT
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Does anyone have experience or comments on the least expensive crown amps? I like the sound of my 125w McCormack on the pi 4's but was wondering if the crowns would give that last bit of punch.

Subject: Re: crown amp comments
Posted by Wayne Parham on Thu, 10 Jan 2008 23:59:22 GMT
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I've had great luck with Micro-Techs and Macro-Techs over the years but haven't tried their other lines. I can definitely recommend the Micro-Tech and Macro-Tech amps. They're powerful, clean sounding and durable.

Subject: thanks, any pi one kits available?
Posted by tmoore on Fri, 11 Jan 2008 00:33:59 GMT
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Thanks Wayne, I was listening to a band at a local club the other night and was thinking that the 4's were as close to sounding like a live band as I have ever been able to get at home. I'm still lacking some "punch" and "clarity" so I was wondering if an amp with a "pro" lineage might be just what I needed. The pendulum is swinging back from flea powered SET listening to "wake the neighbors rockin" and I am amazed that all of my Pi's (Tower 2's, Theater 4's and 6's) sound great either way! BTW, do you have any One PI kits ready to go? I am ready to build a pair to serve as replacements for the Thiels as rear surrounds.

Subject: Yes
Posted by Wayne Parham on Fri, 11 Jan 2008 15:35:23 GMT
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Subject: Re: crown amp comments
Posted by Bill Wassilk on Mon, 14 Jan 2008 17:15:45 GMT
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I'm not sure what you mean by punch, but I've ran there D-series, Micro and Macro Tech series and the CTS series. And all of them sound great on Bass-reflex speakers. I haven't ran there cheaper amps yet, but the only thing is you can't go under 4 ohms per channel on them, which wouldn't matter if you're just running a set of pi 4's.Don't put QSC's on them because they'll sound kind of thin, meaning not real well rounded bass freq., there to sterile sounding IMO. I rate my Pro amps like this, Crown/Crest tied for first, 2nd QSC, then Carver PM series 3rd. That's out of the American brands.HTHBill W.