Subject: Favorite Old Technology
Posted by iDummy on Fri, 01 Apr 2011 03:36:50 GMT
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Remember the days in which people were going crazy with eight tracks, and the cassettes, etc. Well my favorite old technology was the mac computer. People think that Windows were the first ones, but all the windows ideas first came via Mac (the click and drag, etc).

Subject: Re: Favorite Old Technology
Posted by Adveser on Fri, 01 Apr 2011 13:21:02 GMT
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That is not accurate. The first computer like that was a Xerox, Mac stole it from them. Gates worked with Jobs as an interloper knowing exactly what had happened and there was nothing Apple could do about since they had committed the same offense, just without the sneaking around.

My favorite old technology is affordable 3-way tower speakers. I still like Solid State A/B amps over Class D. I do not like the cheap op-amp based pre-amps that come in AV Receivers. I'd rather lose 75% of the power and keep a clean, fat signal by ripping that cigarette pack sized board out of the system. The power amp sections normally have big fat giant silicon transistors in them which I like better than Op-amps.

Subject: Re: Favorite Old Technology
Posted by russman on Sat, 02 Apr 2011 05:28:55 GMT
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Radio blows my skirt up.

The fact I can pull music out of THE THIN AIR still amazes me.  How cool is that?

Subject: Re: Favorite Old Technology
Posted by Wayne Parham on Sat, 02 Apr 2011 07:02:19 GMT
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Me too, especially I like old tube radios.  Knowing I'm listening to a set that someone listened to history unfold through makes me all nostalgic.
My old tube radios

Subject: Re: Favorite Old Technology
Posted by cheeta on Sat, 02 Apr 2011 18:19:50 GMT

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I miss the sound of a record player. That static sound just made it sound right. I have been hearing some of the new music incorporating vinyl sounds into their music, but it's still not the same.

Subject: Re: Favorite Old Technology
Posted by Wayne Parham on Sun, 03 Apr 2011 00:04:44 GMT
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There are high-quality vinyl records being sold new.  You can stil get high-qiuality turntables too.  Not the cheap little record players with USB interfaces, I'm talking audiophile quality gear.  Do some searches in the "Source" forum if you're interested.
Vinyl records at Amazon.com

Subject: Re: Favorite Old Technology
Posted by iDummy on Sun, 03 Apr 2011 04:07:06 GMT
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I know what you mean about the static sound when listening to vinyl records. For some reason, it makes me very nostalgic. It kind of touches me. I know it sounds silly, but it does makes me remember the times I used to hear it at my grannies house.

Subject: Re: Favorite Old Technology
Posted by Clueless on Sun, 03 Apr 2011 04:21:40 GMT
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I have such great memories of my dad's eight track system. Back then, I never would have thought that 30 years later, I would have had not one but two iPods that have more than 10,000 songs.

Subject: Re: Favorite Old Technology
Posted by gofar99 on Tue, 26 Apr 2011 15:53:57 GMT
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Hi,  I love old tube radios, I have several, but the favorite is a 1939 Philco "Barn" radio  .  It ran on batteries and really has a nice sound.  Next most favorite, is older Marantz equipment, I have two early Receivers and an integrated amp.  Nice sound, not up to the silky sound of some newer stuff, but really incredible for 40 years ago.

Subject: Re: Favorite Old Technology
Posted by Roxie on Wed, 27 Apr 2011 02:56:20 GMT
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I personally I am in awe of the moving pictures. I thank god someone thought of it. I has given many hours of pleasure. I still don't get how they get the tiny people to come to the box with the glass front in my room.

Subject: Re: Favorite Old Technology
Posted by BigBoom on Thu, 05 May 2011 01:12:02 GMT
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I have to be honest with you, my favorite old technology is the Atari. I miss playing the original Donkey Kong and games like Burger Time.

Subject: Re: Favorite Old Technology
Posted by gofar99 on Thu, 05 May 2011 01:23:24 GMT
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Hi, I still have a 2600 around. It was also used to align color TVs if you had the right cartridge (I do). My favorite was a Timex 1000 computer. I did lots of thing with it back then.

Subject: Re: Favorite Old Technology
Posted by Wayne Parham on Thu, 05 May 2011 14:49:02 GMT
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I used to work on Z80-based CPM systems and single board 6502-based computers like the Kim-I and Sym-I. Those are good memories. I also worked on Data General gear. I still think of the old Nova and Eclipse computers, the washing machine sized disk drives and the tape drives with the vacuum columns. I'm kind of sentimental that way. In the original TRON movie, you can see an Eclipse system with the DG tape drive as they enter the computer room. Those were the days!