Subject: Audio vs. Video Upgrades
Posted by Azuri on Wed, 28 Nov 2012 15:04:36 GMT
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We all know about the upgrades in the video aspect of home entertainment systems, but do you think the audio is being upgraded at the same pace? All the commercials for new T.V.'s and such that I see emphasize the picture quality but they don't say anything about the audio.

Subject: Re: Audio vs. Video Upgrades
Posted by iLoveiPod on Mon, 31 Dec 2012 04:47:15 GMT
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Where TVs are concerned, no, I don't think emphasis is being placed on audio quality in the same manner that it is with picture quality. We recently bought a 50" flat screen and even though the picture quality is absolutely stunning, the audio quality of the TV itself is downright disappointing. We eventually had to buy a stereo system to run the sound through.

Subject: Re: Audio vs. Video Upgrades
Posted by gofar99 on Mon, 31 Dec 2012 22:22:08 GMT
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Hi, I agree that the audio is not really any better. The emphasis on more channels and such, but when you actually look at what you are getting it isn't much. 7 channels of audio through 2.5 inch speakers and one 8 inch sub do not really constitute high quality audio. I tapped into my 55 incher so I could get the audio output before it went to the amps and routed it to an external amp and a pair of vintage Klipsch floor standing speakers (2.5 ways with a huge 12 inch passive radiator). The sound is pretty good that way. Of course the second issue is that much of the programming is seriously deficient. At least I have clean sounding distortion.

The up side is that Blue Ray disks tend to have pretty good sound so there is hope for the future. In the mean time, the two supposed to be good AV receivers I own gather dust in the shed.

Subject: Re: Audio vs. Video Upgrades
Posted by 80sgirl on Sun, 06 Jan 2013 13:43:44 GMT
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I am not sure how many people who purchase these great new HD televisions use only the speakers in the TV. With the emphasis on home theatre a number of years ago I think many people already have at least a couple of speakers.

I agree with gofar99, Blue Ray disks seem to have pretty good sound so maybe that technology will find its way to television.