Subject: Need A High Quality Amp
Posted by iLoveiPod on Tue, 30 Apr 2013 21:06:11 GMT
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Our amp is about 15 years old (or maybe even a tick older than that) and wearing out fast. We need a new one and were thinking of getting one that's actually performance quality. Suggestions?

Subject: Re: Need A High Quality Amp
Posted by Bill Wassilak on Fri, 03 May 2013 23:08:15 GMT
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Crown or QSC, Don't need to say anything more!!, Both are very reliable, I've got some Crown amp's that are over 20 years old (D series, DC series, Power-tech's)besides there new Pro Series nowadays, and they can all still do live sound as old as they are with no issues.

(If you can't tell, I'm more of a Crown guy)

Subject: Re: Need A High Quality Amp
Posted by Thermionic on Sun, 05 May 2013 01:05:51 GMT
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I'll second Bill's recommendation of Crown and QSC. They both sound great and are tough as nails. A few years ago, Crown did have some problems with certain resistors in several models, but I'm sure that's been rectified.

In my opinion, it's hard to beat QSC or the money. I've used lots of QSC amps in several PA systems, and have never had a single problem with one. They also sound very clean and transparent, without glare, grit, or veiling.

There are lots of people with strong brand loyalty to Peavey, but I'd say avoid it. Compared to QSC and Crown, the CS Series Peaveys sound muddy, veiled and harsh, not to mention I've had several problems with them over time. Many years ago, Peavey made a digital amplifier (the "DECA") that was highly advanced for its day and sounded fantastic. But, it was cheaply made and plagued by reliability issues, which has sadly become the norm these days for Peavey's once quite reliable gear.

Thermionic