Subject: DIY Speaker Builders' Meet - Houston, Jan 18th Posted by AudioFred on Wed, 01 Jan 2014 19:48:10 GMT

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The DIY Speaker Builders' meet is at my house in the West Houston suburbs on Saturday, January 18th. It will be a very informal get-together with no set agenda or competition, etc. Just an opportunity to see, hear and admire everybody's special handiwork. We'll have two systems set up. Downstairs will be a solid state system with an Onix CD player, a Krell 200w/ch amp, and whatever speakers you want to hear. Upstairs will be a tube system with an EL34 tube amp and your choice of vinyl, CD or SACD source. DIY designs and kit-built designs are welcome. I'll post directions and other details as the date approaches.

Subject: Re: DIY Speaker Builders' Meet - Houston, Jan 18th Posted by AudioFred on Thu, 02 Jan 2014 18:51:10 GMT

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One of the systems we'll hear includes the bi-amplified dipole Towers of Awesomeness line arrays.

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Subject: Re: DIY Speaker Builders' Meet - Houston, Jan 18th Posted by Wayne Parham on Thu, 02 Jan 2014 19:35:15 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Dude, those definitely look like awesomeness!

Subject: Re: DIY Speaker Builders' Meet - Houston, Jan 18th Posted by AudioFred on Sat, 11 Jan 2014 21:08:28 GMT

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The speaker builders' meeting is at my house starting at 10:00 AM on Saturday, January 18th. We'll have a low power EL34 tube system and a high power Krell solid state system available to suit a variety of speakers. I'll supply snacks, soft drinks, bottled water and beer. We'll order pizza for lunch; if you would like some, bring \$5 to toss into the kitty. Here are the directions:

From I-10, take Eldridge Pkwy north approx. 4.5 miles. The first major cross-road is Clay Rd. Continue on until the next light, and turn right into Lakes on Eldridge. We'll notify the gate guards so just tell them you're going to Fred Thompson's House. Once inside the gate, make a left turn each time you come to a stop sign (there will be 4 of them). After the 4th stop sign and the 4th left turn you'll be facing our house. It's the two story red brick house up ahead with a red Nissan Rogue SUV parked in front. The address is 12110 Medina Bend Lane. If you get lost, call my cell at 281-381-8830 and a rescue party will be dispatched. If you have any questions before the event email audiofred@comcast.net for a quick reply.

We'll have a heavy duty hand cart available to move large heavy speakers. If your creation requires anything other than banana plugs or spade lugs please bring some kind of adapter to fit bananas to your inputs.

Subject: Re: DIY Speaker Builders' Meet - Houston, Jan 18th Posted by AudioFred on Thu, 16 Jan 2014 12:24:25 GMT

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It's still on for this Saturday, Jan 18, starting at the earlier of 10:00 AM or whenever the first person arrives. I have no idea what will appear except for three of my DIY favorites plus a pair of mini monitors a Houston Audio Society friend is bringing.

The mini monitors have little response below 90hz, so we plan to hook up the little 8" Pioneer sub that's received so much attention lately and to dial it in using the Parts Express Omni Mic system, with the frequency response graph appearing on the TV positioned between the speakers. Should be very informative to all who have not seen the Omni Mic system.

Here's another of my dipole speakers we'll hear: Dayton Audio 8" full range point source with H-frame Eminence Alpha 15 subs.

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Subject: Re: DIY Speaker Builders' Meet - Houston, Jan 18th Posted by LuckyLucy on Fri, 24 Jan 2014 03:03:10 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Well, how did it go? Were there lots of people? Did you see some cool stuff? Learn any new cool techniques to pass on? Did you take any pictures? We need a full report!

Subject: Re: DIY Speaker Builders' Meet - Houston, Jan 18th Posted by AudioFred on Sat, 08 Feb 2014 13:29:14 GMT

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Won't be doing this again anytime soon. We had a good crowd, and everybody seemed to enjoy themselves, but only one person brought speakers. So it actually was a "listen to my DIY speakers event".