Subject: Fireworks!
Posted by Wayne Parham on Thu, 04 Jul 2024 15:25:56 GMT
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Happy 4th of July, everyone!

What are you doing to celebrate?

Where I live, there are lots of closely-spaced towns, and each celebrate on a different day throughout the week. So it's a total party week here!

I can remember - dang, must be ten or twenty years ago - Tom Danley used to say how he enjoyed capturing recordings of fireworks because they really exposed a system's abilities. A system needs a full frequency response and a wide dynamic range.

Any of you ever tried this?

Subject: Re: Fireworks!
Posted by gofar99 on Fri, 05 Jul 2024 02:03:12 GMT
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Hi Wayne, here everyone is doing it today. Lots of events, parades, fairs, concerts and fireworks. Indeed the sound of fireworks and anything similar is hard to capture. Think about the overture of 1812. Few recordings do anything worth a hoot. The best I have been able to hear is on a Command Stereo LP. Even then it is a bit compressed. Many cartridges can't even track it....funny to watch some of the cheaper one hop out of the grooves. I actually was pleasantly surprised that my Grado Sonata II in the Jelco 370 arm went through it fine particularly as it is the final track on the LP side. Anyhow, hope you and all the other members have a good 4th.

Subject: Re: Fireworks!
Posted by Rusty on Fri, 05 Jul 2024 14:28:39 GMT
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Round here, the best thing to come about is the rain. There was a window yesterday for the 4th. And the revelers had at it as always till the wee wee hours. But the weather has broke into lovely blissful cool moderation today. What a joy. Cook out time. A few beers and a platter party. No Eighteen twelve overture though. Some jazz & reggae sound right to me.

Subject: Re: Fireworks!
Posted by Wayne Parham on Fri, 05 Jul 2024 17:10:46 GMT
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Yeah, we got rain here too. So did Tulsa.

So the fireworks celebrations were kind of, well, drenched. But where we live there are a lot of small cities, each scheduling their celebration on staggered consecutive days. It's a week-long party here! We'll watch fireworks this weekend.

Instead of fireworks, Kelly and I ate BBQ with family and then watched the new Eddie Murphy movie, which was fantastic. It was like a time machine back to the original "Beverly Hill's Cops" movies. Too cool!

Subject: Re: Fireworks!
Posted by Strum Drum on Sat, 06 Jul 2024 07:55:18 GMT
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So how did the cookout go? I miss cooking out. We need to get a grill.

My poor cats are absolutely terrified of fireworks, so I spend my time holding them instead of running off to do something fun. Unfortunately, my neighbors are still shooting as they want to use them all up.

Subject: Re: Fireworks!
Posted by gofar99 on Sun, 07 Jul 2024 02:53:55 GMT
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I had to comfort one of ours as well. The other didn't care. One scardy cat one fearless.

Subject: Re: Fireworks!
Posted by Mulcahy on Mon, 08 Jul 2024 19:07:12 GMT
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Different neighbors set off fireworks here and there every night since July 1. I'm mostly okay with it. I do feel bad for the pets on my street, and there are lots of wild rabbits.

Subject: Re: Fireworks!
Posted by positron on Sun, 14 Jul 2024 19:38:01 GMT
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I did not do much, just watched tv using stereo for sound.

Decades ago, went to a friend's house in Peoria Heights (suburb of Peoria)

and at one end of the block, a thousand dollars worth of fireworks in the garage.

Half a dozen people, or more (no kids) watched as the rockets etc etc started back and forth down the street between at least two individuals; so much so that the flashes shut off the overhead street lights. A gigantic bellow of smoke covering over a block, higher than the houses. Lots of fun to say the least.

Finally, around the corner slipped a police car and everyone ran. No one was arrested, just some talk, but after a couple of years, the "war" took place out in the countryside. Luckily no fires.

Will never forget.

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Subject: Re: Fireworks!
Posted by Wayne Parham on Mon, 15 Jul 2024 11:53:14 GMT
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Wow, that's incredible!

Subject: Re: Fireworks!
Posted by Becky on Mon, 06 Oct 2025 16:23:59 GMT
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On 4th July, I was homesick, couldn't go anywhere but I did enjoy the fireworks because I stayed through the window, watching how it's going while the street is buzzing with laughter and fun.
