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Subject: ALTEC VALENCIAS

Posted by [angel mercado](#) on Tue, 28 Feb 2006 02:10:13 GMT

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Hello everyone im back from its been a while since i been in here just wanted all you you to know that i got me some altec valencias with a wife aproval also.How is your A-7 project doing akhilesh now i would like to see what the big fuss is about with single ended gear.Somene should bring there amps pre amp over and show me the differance.

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Subject: Re: ALTEC VALENCIAS

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Tue, 28 Feb 2006 12:18:00 GMT

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What year are your Valencia's. I love the pair I have. They are very sensitive to amplifier power though; some amps sound terrible on them and some sound glorious.

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Subject: Re: ALTEC VALENCIAS

Posted by [angel mercado](#) on Tue, 28 Feb 2006 12:43:59 GMT

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Im not sure on the year of these speakers. How can you tell?

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Subject: Re: ALTEC VALENCIAS

Posted by [akhilesh](#) on Tue, 28 Feb 2006 18:20:35 GMT

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HI ANgel,Good to hear from you again! I rebuilt the boxes, and installed them in the living room. YOU should come hear them. Wife likes their look now. I think bringing in the original boxes initially was a good idea in terms of setting the bar. They sound very good to me. But you should listen. I will be happy to come by your place with a Single endfed amp. I have a single ended 2a3that sounds pretty good. I would love to check out the valencias. Let's coordinate by email. MAybe Wayne & Bill Wassilak & others would like to come too?-akhilesh

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Subject: Re: ALTEC VALENCIAS

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Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Tue, 28 Feb 2006 19:08:35 GMT

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I think it's about time for another meeting. We could probably do one before GPAF. Last time was right in the middle of the holidays, so it was hard to make time.

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Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Tue, 28 Feb 2006 19:23:23 GMT

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What kind of crossover do they have in the back? Also do they have grilles and if so what do they look like?

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Subject: Re: ALTEC VALENCIAS

Posted by [angel mercado](#) on Tue, 28 Feb 2006 20:06:23 GMT

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that sounds good akhilesh

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Subject: Re: ALTEC VALENCIAS

Posted by [angel mercado](#) on Tue, 28 Feb 2006 20:07:21 GMT

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cloth grills

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Subject: Re: ALTEC VALENCIAS

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Wed, 01 Mar 2006 02:27:24 GMT

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Those are the older models; probably with tangering phase plugs. Speakerman knows all of the iterations so he can pinpoint the exact year but that is a good thing. I can't significantly better the sound of mine with anything; some do some things better or worse but I love 'em. How long have you owned them? Actually now I remember you had a photo of them here; is that right?

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Subject: Re: ALTEC VALENCIAS

Posted by [angel mercado](#) on Wed, 01 Mar 2006 12:50:19 GMT

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No i just purchase these from David at speakerworks they needed alot of cabinet work and they had coffin handles on them.but now they are bombay mahogany color black grills and no coffin handles

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Subject: Re: ALTEC VALENCIAS

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Wed, 01 Mar 2006 13:12:17 GMT

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I'd like to see that. Every once in a while I think about upgrading the cross-over. Then I come to my senses! Most of the mods of stuff I hear really don't improve the sound; just change it. Those old engineers knew a few things we may have forgotten in the rush to adopt all this computer modeling; forgetting that computers don't go to concerts.

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Subject: MUST HAVE PICTS!!!!

Posted by [colinhester](#) on Thu, 02 Mar 2006 02:30:33 GMT

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Come on. Show us.....Colin

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Subject: Re: ALTEC VALENCIAS

Posted by [MWG](#) on Fri, 03 Mar 2006 00:55:34 GMT

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One way to tell the 846A's from the later 846B's is whether or not it's ported. The early 846A's used a slot on each side of the 811 horn. Which is like the pair I have had since 1966. The later 846B's had a reflex port and the horn was sealed on all front edges. I'd go here and ask the experts. There are several guys there that know a lot about Altec equipment.

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