Subject: Great Plains Audio Festival in a week?
Posted by Norris Wilson on Sat, 29 Apr 2006 14:30:13 GMT
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Hi everyone,The Great Plains Audio festival in Tulsa Oklahoma is scheduled to start in about a week.Is there any additional news about exhibitors and siminars that are not listed on the Great Plains website?I am looking forward to this event, and hope to see all of you there.Norris Wilson

Subject: Re: Great Plains Audio Festival in a week?
Posted by FredT on Sat, 29 Apr 2006 18:12:09 GMT
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I'm looking forward to it too. The Dallas Audio Club will be sponsoring a DIY room where anybody can bring their favorite piece of electronic gear for others to hear. I started a 2006 GPAF photo gallery with pictures of the basic system we'll have at the Dallas Audio Club room. I was planning to bring the 3 Pi Theater speakers but they just won't fit in the back of my little Ford Ranger pickup truck with everything else I'll be carrying, so I'll be taking the smaller DIY speakers instead.
Dallas Audio Club DIY Room Equipment

Subject: Re: Great Plains Audio Festival in a week?
Posted by Shane on Sat, 29 Apr 2006 22:45:54 GMT
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I'm planning on bringing my DIY headphone amps, stock Millett and SOHA. So if any of you want to bring your headphones to listen please do. I'll be using a imp-350 source on the SOHA and probably my NAD Bee CDP for the Millett as that's the sources I designed them for.

Subject: Re: Great Plains Audio Festival in a week?
Posted by Jim Griffin on Sun, 30 Apr 2006 01:06:08 GMT
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Norris and Fred,I'm bring a set of line arrays (see photo on the second photo page on the GPAF site) and perhaps a set of bipolar MLTL speakers if I have room. I will give a seminar on line arrays Saturday afternoon to those interested.Fred, if someone from any of the Dallas, Houston, or Tulsa audio clubs has a few minutes on Friday afternoon to help me set-up my room, I would be grateful. Perhaps we could have a little fun doing a room correction with my DEQX system. Thanks,Jim

Subject: Re: Great Plains Audio Festival in a week?
Posted by FredT on Sun, 30 Apr 2006 10:15:51 GMT
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I plan to arrive Friday morning and will be available to help Jim and others set up their rooms. Wayne, last year the service crew had to look for the hand dolly, so it would be helpful If you could have one available to move exhibitors' speakers and other heavy equipment that won't fit on a standard hotel luggage cart. For those who have not exhibited at the GPAF before, when you check in ask the receptionist to send the service crew to remove the TV, table, and chairs from the front room of the suite. Last year they responded immediately, so by the time I hauled the first load of equipment to the room it was ready for set up. The suites are so much better than the typical hotel room at other shows, where you have to remove the bed, etc. Like most hotel rooms, it is a bit small, and last year mine had a strong midbass peak which was partially fixed by pulling the sofa out a couple of feet from the wall. Jim's DEQX will be very helpful in taming this anomaly in his suite.

Subject: Re: Great Plains Audio Festival in a week?
Posted by Jim Griffin on Sun, 30 Apr 2006 13:29:19 GMT
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Fred,Thanks for the reply. I'll arrive just after lunch on Friday. Sounds like help will be available. See you there.Jim

Subject: Re: Great Plains Audio Festival in a week?
Posted by Skip Pack on Sun, 30 Apr 2006 23:46:30 GMT
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Hello Fred, I wanted to say that I'm driving up from Houston, probablyleaving very early Friday morning. I will probably have some room. Let me know if I can help (wpack at houston dot rr dot com).Skip Pack

Subject: Re: Great Plains Audio Festival in a week? Oh yeah!
Posted by Duke on Mon, 01 May 2006 04:28:06 GMT
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Hi Norris,Lori and I are looking forward to seeing you and your wife at the Tulsa show!We will be driving in from Preston, Idaho - celebrated home of Napoleon Dynamite. We're planning to show

some new speakers that I recently designed, which probably isn't very exciting to anyone else but it's an incredible ego trip for yours truly. Unfortunatlely we've run into a few last-minute snags on delivery of the speaker enclosures, which were supposed to be finished two weeks ago, and then one week ago, and then last Friday... If I'd have known I'd be sitting here five days before the show with no cabinets I'd have built my own or at least found another woodworker (my own woodworking skills can charitably be described as proto-rudimentary). Tomorrow I'll be at my woodworker's place offering my assistance (and insistance), as now it's down to "do or die". Even once the cabinets are built I'll still have a couple of days' worth of work to do on them, not the least of which is the ritualistic application of legless reptile lubricant. I don't have any images to post because at this point the speakers are still just a gleam in my eye. They'll be floorstanders roughly 42" tall by 13" wide by 16" deep. Driver complement will include some fun stuff from TAD and B&C. Estimated efficiency is in the lower 90's, the bass should extend just south of 40 Hz, and the drivers used exhibit negligible power compression below about 112 dB. I've gone to some trouble to do a good job with the reverberant field, as getting the reverberant field right is my favorite audio-related tangent. These won't compete with large-format high efficiency high output systems from PiSpeakers, GedLee, Iconic, Edgarhorn, Classic Audio Reproductions, Avantgarde, and the like. Not even my well-paid, highly optimistic advertising department could make that happen. Instead, my hope is to offer some of the qualities of a good large-format high efficiency system in a medium sized, upper-medium efficiency package.Hopefully in a couple of days I can post an update saying that there's no more last-minute drama going on here.DukePS - And of course back by popular demand will be Lori's cool misty colored fountains.

Subject: Re: Great Plains Audio Festival in a week?
Posted by Wayne Parham on Mon, 01 May 2006 16:12:19 GMT
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I'm really looking forward to it! I just spent the last two days putting up signs to bring in the locals. Akhilesh, Melissa and Derk helped, thanks to them for all their help! We've had more time for people to warm up to the event than last year, so I expect quite a turnout. All the best guys in audio will be there! I'm really eager to see you and everyone! Check the website for last minute additions and changes.

Subject: Re: Great Plains Audio Festival in a week?
Posted by Wayne Parham on Mon, 01 May 2006 16:15:00 GMT
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Yes, many of the people in the Tulsa Audio club have voluntered to be there early Friday afternoon to lend a hand. See you there!

Subject: Re: Great Plains Audio Festival in a week?
Posted by Wayne Parham on Mon, 01 May 2006 16:17:11 GMT
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It's amazing how this audio gear seems to grow when it's time to move it, isn't it?!!

Subject: Re: Great Plains Audio Festival in a week?
Posted by colinhester on Mon, 01 May 2006 17:51:34 GMT
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For us on the wrongsideofthetracks, lots of pictures and captions (with names) are expected.....Colin

Subject: Re: Great Plains Audio Festival in a week?
Posted by Wayne Parham on Mon, 01 May 2006 22:17:58 GMT
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You betcha. We'll be sure to take lots of pics.

Subject: Bummer update
Posted by Duke on Tue, 02 May 2006 16:31:44 GMT
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I just got back from inspecting the enclosures, and the workmanship is unacceptable both cosmetically and (more important) structurally. I can fix some of the structural problems but would still end up with an enclosure that I'd be embarassed to show with. While I do have another model I could show, I've decided to discontinue that model because I think I can do better. So Lori and I will not be attending the GPAF this year after all. It's too far to drive and too much cost to justify would turn into a non-business vacation. I hope ya'll understand.I'll miss seeing you Norris, Wayne, Akhilesh, Bill, Bob, Jim, Fred, and the rest of the Round Table crew.Duke

Subject: Re: Bummer update
Posted by Norris Wilson on Tue, 02 May 2006 20:56:32 GMT
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Duke, Oh Noooooooooo!!!!!!That is a great big bummer.Well, there is always next year.Diana and I were looking forward to seeing you and Lori.Keep up the good works, we need people like you and your wife Lori.Take careNorris and Diana Wilson

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Subject: Re: Bummer update
Posted by Wayne Parham on Tue, 02 May 2006 22:33:53 GMT
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That's a BIG TIME bummer. You'll be sorely missed.

Subject: Re: Bummer update
Posted by Jim Griffin on Tue, 02 May 2006 22:41:17 GMT
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Duke,Too bad that you can not make it. I was going to ask you when you start writing a book on speakers. You could start with your excellent replies on various forums and flesh it out. Jim

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Subject: Re: Bummer update
Posted by akhilesh on Wed, 03 May 2006 01:05:19 GMT
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Well that just sucks, Duke. I was really lookng forward to hearing your speaker. I bet it sounds great!I hope the next year. -akhilesh

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Subject: Re: Bummer update
Posted by Duke on Thu, 04 May 2006 16:57:39 GMT
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Well I didn't know I was being shot at but... it's nice to be missed!Lori and I are both bummed, but in the 'biz you gotta put your best foot forward. I'd have had to do an apologetic song and dance for everyone who came in the room, and that's not the way to make a good first impression.Duke

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Subject: Re: Bummer update
Posted by Duke on Thu, 04 May 2006 16:59:57 GMT
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Hi Akhilesh,I was looking forward to seeing you too, and to hearing YOUR speakers! Next year I'll have all the bugs long since ironed out and will glady show off my babies. Duke

Subject: Re: Bummer update
Posted by Duke on Thu, 04 May 2006 17:03:52 GMT
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Jim, thanks for the vote of confidence! But just between you and me, I really don't know that much and half the time I'm just making it up as I go along...I was excited to show your line arrays to my wife, and to see your other speakers as well. I'm sure you're quite busy right now, but I may shoot you an e-mail after the show.Duke

Subject: Re: Bummer update
Posted by Duke on Thu, 04 May 2006 17:09:34 GMT
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Hi Norris,Thanks so much for your kind words. Lori and I sure enjoyed spending some time with you and Diana last year and were looking forward to it. We'll see you next year.Duke

Subject: Re: Bummer update
Posted by akhilesh on Thu, 04 May 2006 18:35:18 GMT
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Sounds like a plan, Duke! I bet yours sounds pretty good right now!-akhilesh

Subject: Re: Bummer update
Posted by Wayne Parham on Thu, 04 May 2006 18:58:56 GMT
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Yep, you'll be missed!I know what you mean and I know how hard it can be to get prepared for these things. I had wanted to show new wood tweeter horns, but the cabinet shop has been too

see you next year!