Subject: Pictures (hopefully) of 2 Pi
Posted by Bubbawat on Thu, 17 Apr 2003 16:30:00 GMT
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Well here goes my attempt to deliver pictures. If all goes well you will see five shots of the project. Two finished shots of 'grilleless' fronts with opposing ports (for the grille). A shot of the oak finished side and two shots with the art deco grille.This is supposedly void free Oak plywood and then I trimmed the front with Oak strips. The grilles were inspired by our Victrola in the same room. As to sound per dollar - can't imagine getting the same good looks and sound for the price. A very nice addition and will probably go to college with the daughter after I make some pretty horn containers...

Subject: Let's try this..
Posted by Bubbawat on Thu, 17 Apr 2003 16:31:15 GMT
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Subject: Re: Pictures (hopefully) of 2 Pi
Posted by ToFo on Thu, 17 Apr 2003 17:39:36 GMT
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Man! where did you get those grilles? (and don't say you made them or I'll freak) Nice work!Thomas

Subject: Great grilles!
Posted by Wayne Parham on Thu, 17 Apr 2003 18:19:29 GMT
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Thanks for posting the photos of your speakers! They are sooo cool looking. Great grilles!

Subject: carved by hand, little elf hands:)
Posted by Sam P. on Thu, 17 Apr 2003 19:43:13 GMT
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WOW, that is a neat look. Sam

Subject: Wow! Erte' !
Posted by BillEpstein on Thu, 17 Apr 2003 23:28:55 GMT
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Very creative and great looking. Yeah!

Subject: such nice words for a one trick pony...
Posted by Bubbawat on Fri, 18 Apr 2003 09:06:44 GMT
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Pretty easy to make the grilles - the cabinet and finish were much more of an 'attention to details' Excedrine headache number 2 Pi. As to the grilles...My wife (the artist in the family) is into transforming her photographs into three dimensional work. An award winning B&W photo of hers that was a close up of our old Victrola grille was her inspiration. Klipsch Heresy provided the grille mechanics (yes - pure plagerism). Here goes - I used 1/8th inch hardboard, cut holes for speakers and ports, painted black and covered with leftover RatShack grille cloth (my traditional hot glue application). The carved wood pieces come from a hardwood specialty store - you can find them online as well - and are pretty common in higher end cabinet construction. They are pricey, but keeps me from having to become a sculptor (hell, I struggle with a straight cut on the table saw). Stain, seal then glue carved stuff - regular old titebond then lie face down on towel with consistent weight on the board to keep it flat - it adheres to hardboard through grille cloth. Use Velcro on baffle and hardboard.Using this technique - if we tire of the design, just get some more hardboard and make more. Geez - how about a shamrock design for march, Easter egg for April, heart for February, etc. How ignorant can one get? (Don't ask that of my wife - she'll have thirty minutes of answers about her extraordinarily good looking husband ;-)

Subject: Re: Very nice touch
Posted by bmar on Sat, 19 Apr 2003 00:57:46 GMT
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Pretty clever. I like it

Subject: A maybe little less expensive alternative...
Posted by wunhuanglo on Sun, 20 Apr 2003 10:54:24 GMT
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Lowe's and Home Depot also sell similar accent pieces (not as nice as the ones you found, but similar) for relatively little money. I've used them as accents in formal mantelpieces and display shelves. They're made in some sort of press, kind of "bas relief".
