Subject: Which speaker offers horn bass that doesn't require corners?
Posted by Pfenning on Tue, 14 Mar 2006 17:22:21 GMT
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Hello, I currently have Stage 4's and love them. I am thinking of adding another set of Pi speakers, and would like horn bass. Unfortunatly, I don't have corners to put these in, so they would have to be able to set out in the open. I would drive them with Bottlehead Paramours, and listen to mainly rock and blues, with some electronic and country mixed in. I heard some altec drivers in horn loaded cabinets, and was blown away. The bass was very acurate and tuneful, but didn't overtake the music. What do you think?Thanks,Pfenning

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Posted by Wayne Parham on Tue, 14 Mar 2006 18:26:54 GMT
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Freestanding basshorns are huge. To have a real basshorn requires a cabinet the size of a refrigerator. Anything smaller is very peaky - I've seen some popular designs with as much as 15dB peaks within a single octave. I personally would do without. Go large or don't go at all

hand, a good compromise is a midbass or even low midrange horn. You can horn load down to

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How will this speaker compare to the Stage 4's? I'm not sure I understand how the 8 works. Does the woofer fire up in the bottom cabinet? Is this speaker more efficent than my Stage 4? Does it give that all around the room type responce that the Stage 4 does? How's the bass, punchier (is that a word?) than the 4? How's the midrange and treble, as good as the Stage 4's? Would I buy the kit and then purchase the midrange horns from you for $100 each? How will it integrate with my Paramours, as well or better than the Stages? Does it do rock music good?Thanks,Pfenning

Subject: 8 Pis
Posted by Shane on Tue, 14 Mar 2006 22:19:01 GMT
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Sorry to hijack this thread for a moment, but dangit Wayne. What did I tell you about putting that 8 Pi pic up!

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Posted by Wayne Parham on Wed, 15 Mar 2006 02:58:22 GMT
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I love 'em too.

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requires more from it since it's a direct radiator.

Subject: Re: Which speaker offers horn bass that doesn't require corners?
Posted by Matts on Wed, 15 Mar 2006 03:47:51 GMT
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Wayne, Maybe what we need is a good quality 15" driver version of the eight Pi...bass reflex in lowest freqencies, horn loaded above that w/ higher freq horn on top....enough efficiency for 45 amps? As if you need another project, huh?

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midhorn, using a driver with electro-mechanical specs that make it suitable for bass duty as well