BOOK REVIEW

AV BOOK OF THE MONTH

THE GREAT MUSIC QUIZ BOOK
VERUS FERREIRA

ABOUT THE BOOK

Ever wanted a single book that will give you interesting trivia about your favourite musical genre or the music legends of yesteryear? 'The Great Music Quiz Book' could be just that! With 17 chapters, the book is a great companion to not only those who would like to know more about music, but also to those who want to draw the line between fact and fiction.

WHAT'S INTERESTING

Unlike many other similar books, 'The Great Music Quiz Book' does not restrict itself to a few genres and even covers genres like jazz, instrumental, country, Indipop and Bollywood. It also has dedicated sections on three legendary artists/bands, namely, Elvis Presley, The Beatles and Michael Jackson. We also appreciated 'Unscramble The Names' and 'Musical Laughs' sections towards the end of the book.

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MEYER SOUND HD-1 SELECTED

For TECnology Hall of Fame

THE MEYER SOUND HD-1 HIGH definition studio monitor has been announced as a 2012 TECnology Hall of Fame inductee by the TEC Foundation for Excellence in Audio. The ceremony was held on 26 January 2013 during the NAMM Show in Anaheim, California.

The HD-1 was launched by Meyer Sound in 1989. The original prototype, developed years earlier, was created as an ultra-linear testing device to be used in-house for evaluating instrumentation microphones in the SIM audio analyser. The HD-1 was the only self-powered studio monitor when it was first launched, and remained so for a number of years.

Over the years, the HD-1 has become a favourite monitor for FOH engineers and recording engineers. In addition, cinema sound designers including Tom Myers ('Cars 2' and 'Toy Story 3'), Richard King ('Dark Knight Rises'and 'Inception'), and Craig Berkey ('True Grit') still rely on the linear performance of the HD-1 and its ability to accurately translate

from small project studios to larger mixing stages.

The TECnology Hall of Fame "recognises the innovations and companies that have made significant contributions to the advancement of audio technology." Nine other products introduced between 1878 and 1995 will be inducted along with the HD-1 at the Anaheim ceremonies, including the VU metre, PZM microphone, and MOTU Performer MIDI sequencing software.

LAVA UNVEILS

Iris 501 Smartphone

LAVA HAS LAUNCHED A new phone in its IRIS range of smartphones. The IRIS 501 will give users a superior Android experience with its 5" screen, smooth capacitive multi-touch interface powered by a 1 GHz dual core processor. It runs on Android 4.0.4 Ice Cream Sandwich, has a 5.0" WVGA screen with 800x480 resolution, a 5MP auto focus rear camera and 0.3 MP front camera. Its large display is useful for watching videos, browsing the internet and accessing social networking websites. With its 10.5mm design, the phone comes with a durable 2,300 mAh battery. In addition to this, it has built-in 3G connectivity, wi-fi, Bluetooth 3.0, GPS, 4GB Internal storage and up to 32GB expandable memory.

Users of Lava IRIS 501 will have access to a plethora of preloaded applications, such as Saavn, Fusion, and Hike. Consumers can download various other business and utility applications from Lava's own app store in addition to Google's Play store. Lava has collaborated with Hungama to offer its users free music and video content and access to an exclusive customised WAP portal for additional content.

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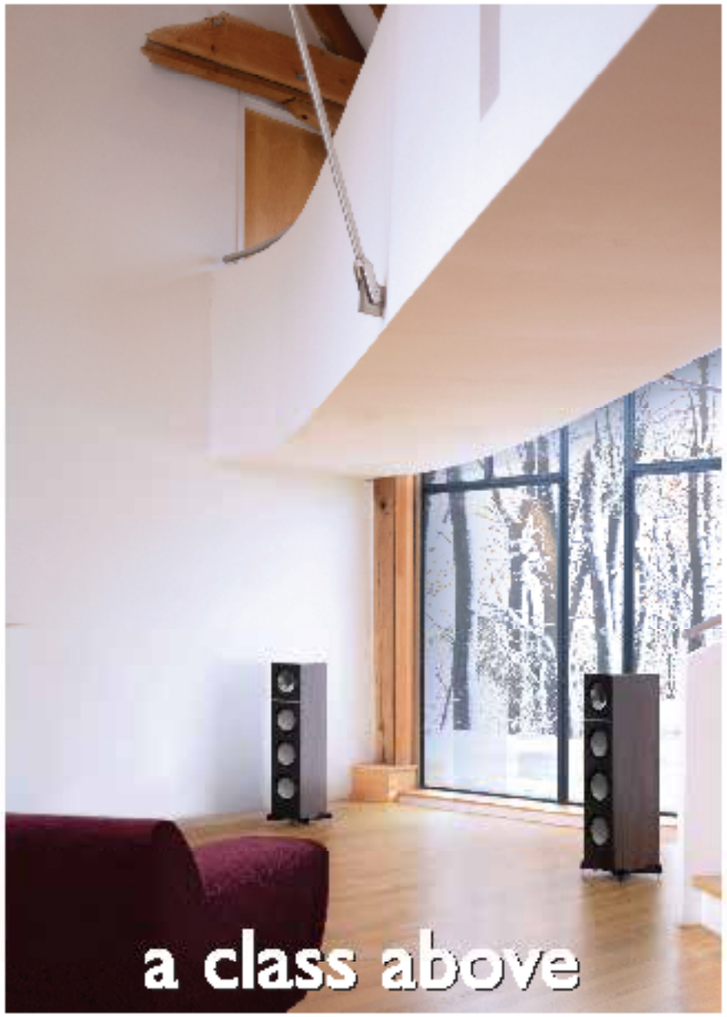

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