

INDOOR/OUTDOOR SPEAKER

Atlantic Technology has introduced its first indoor/outdoor speaker, the AW-424, using dual 4½" woofers on the sides of a weather-resistant 1" soft-dome tweeter. Designed for vertical or horizontal mounting, the AW-424 has drainage channels for rainwater and an uncomplicated mounting system. Its woofer-tweeter-woofer configuration provides control over the speaker's dispersion. For more information, visit www.atlantictechnology.com.

THINAMP

The new **AXL ThinAmp** brings 15W of loud, clean tone from dual super-thin 5" **Alphatone** speakers, and now features customizable colors. It still includes RCA inputs/outputs, 18 digital effects, 3-band EQ, and more, as well as a metal grille and injection-molded exterior. Also available with a 3-hour rechargeable battery pack. For more information, visit axlmusic.com.



SPEAKER CABLES

Utilizing the latest production methods for coating processed copper, the **Atlas Hyper** speaker cable range gives full and natural, fatigue free sound. Available in 1.5, 2.0, 3.0mm², and a biwire, the cables provide improved resolution from OFC together with greater signal velocity and correspondingly lower loss from Teflon. To learn more, see the Atlas website at www.atlascables.com.

SRS DRIVERS IN NEW PC

New from **Toshiba**, the Qosmio G25-AV501 PC features the Toshiba Express Media Player, which supports WOWXT, TruBass, TruSurround XT, and SRS Digital Clarity. This model lets the user play DVDs or CDs and watch TV without booting up Windows for the PC. For more information, contact www.srslabs.com.

TUBE AMP

Containing four tubes and featuring a 10" Alphatone speaker with 25W RMS power, the **Johnson Loreda** Tube Amp can pump the preamp level up for real tube overdrive. The amp also features Accustronics reverb, an XLR line out, and is designed in a cabinet with a brown tolex cover and a vintage-style grille cloth. To learn more, visit johnsongtr.com.

LOUDSPEAKERS

Four new models have arrived in **Canton's** redesigned Karat M series loudspeaker lineup. The models, a three-way floorstanding speaker, two-way, and three-way compact speakers, and a 2-½ way center channel speaker, are all equally suited to use in high-end multichannel home theaters or two-channel audiophile music systems. The speakers employ a 6" aluminum cone driver with an unusual concave dustcap, and cabinets with narrow front panels for improved line-source imaging in the midrange and upper frequencies. For more information, go to www.cantonusa.com.

PORTABLE MIKE

SoundField has released a portable surround microphone, the ST350, which gets rid of the compromises associated with portable recording. Consisting of a lightweight multi-capsule microphone and fully featured compact mike pre/control unit, the package can be powered by either mains or battery. For more information, go to www.soundfield.com.

THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS

New Orleans is the city that truly began America's contribution to the history of music worldwide. Without it, there'd be no popular music as we know it today.

When I wonder what they might need to get back on their feet, the stuff that gets

ruined under water, I think of all the sound boards, the cables, the lighting, the microphones, the instruments; I think of the stuff you need in the hundreds of little clubs and bars that bring the music to the street—the street that brings the people to the city. And I think of the many thousands of people who depend on those people for their livelihoods.

I am determined to help restore all of those little places and bring the music back as soon as possible. I am contacting Amtrak to help us take the train "The City of New Orleans" from Chicago all the way down to New Orleans. We'll take two weeks beginning in early December and stop along the way at depots or high schools or performance centers of all shapes and sizes. And we'll contact the manufacturers of the very stuff we're talking about and arrange to bring a Christmas present to all the small venues within the city—we'll purchase the gear as close to cost as we can, many will undoubtedly make substantial contributions.

Will you help me bring the music back? Working together with our friends in manufacturing, retail, transportation, the venues, the promoters, the press, the agents and managers and the artists—we can help deliver the stuff that helps make New Orleans sing its own uniquely American song.

For info call my office: Rising Son Records, 10741 US Highway 1, Sebastian, FL 32958. (772) 589 1774 or e-mail train2NO@risingson.com

*Love as always,
Arlo Guthrie*

ELECTROSTATIC LOUDSPEAKER

MartinLogan has released the Summit powered hybrid electrostatic loudspeaker, featuring advanced vacuum bonding, high-resolution woofers, proprietary cross-over filtering, 25 and 50Hz level controls, and more. With a custom-wound audio transformer, air core coils, and polypropylene capacitors, the Summit dramatically reduces cabinet size and establishes new standards for efficiency, dynamics, and precision in a floor-standing loudspeaker. To learn more, visit www.martinlogan.com.

