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THE
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THE GRYPHON BEL CANTO PREAMPLIFIER

FEATURES:

- * Dual mono configuration
- * Swiss-made, soft action, 24-position passive resistor volume control
- * Fully discrete circuitry
- * Select premium-grade components
- * Short signal path with minimal internal wiring
- * 30,000 microFarad capacitor bank
- * Flat MegaHertz frequency response
- * Zero negative feedback
- * Pure Class A x 100
- * Custom-built C-core transformers
- * Low output impedance
- * DC-coupling with servo-control
- * Dual mono external regulated power supplies
- * 11-stage voltage regulation per channel
- * AC mains filtering
- * Double contact relays
- * Gold-plated phono sockets with Teflon dielectric
- * Neutric XLR outputs
- * Fully sealed Mil-spec PC boards
- * Five year warranty
- * Made in Denmark

The Gryphon Bel Canto line preamplifier is designed to cater to the needs of the most discerning music enthusiast with sumptuous styling and superb user-friendliness which elevate it above the mundane world of audio components and puts it in a class of its own.

Based on the same topology as our flagship preamplifier, the Gryphon Elektra, the Gryphon Bel Canto replaces the famous Gryphon Linestage as the No Nonsense preamplifier for the audio purist.

The Gryphon Bel Canto stands as a fine example of the minimalism which

lies at the heart of the Gryphon design philosophy. With sensitive audio circuitry, what is left out is often more important than what goes in. In the interest of ultimate fidelity, tone controls, balance controls and other unnecessary components have been banished from the signal path. Instead, regulation of inter-channel balance is possible without compromise through the implementation of entirely separate volume controls for the left and right channels.

Separate volume controls and source selectors for each channel are the most visible consequences of the uncompromising Gryphon dual mono concept. The Gryphon Bel Canto is in fact two utterly independent mono preamplifiers with only a faceplate in common. Each channel has its own dedicated, fully regulated power supply with AC mains filtering housed in a separate enclosure. The dual mono configuration radically eliminates interference between channels and provides infinite channel separation which contributes to the Bel Canto's ability to create space, focus, depth and transparency. By lavishing attention on each aspect of the circuit and fully understanding the purpose and behaviour of every single part of the whole, our designers have optimized performance in each section. This ensures simplicity, a short signal path and a unity of purpose with a single, well-defined objective:

musical purity.

In particular, the speed and agility of the Gryphon Bel Canto must be singled out along with its seamless coherence in the time domain. These virtues are achieved by exclusively employing discrete components and no negative feedback in a preamp circuit which is the result of innovative rethinking and the implementation of new technology and parts.

Since 1985 Gryphon Audio Designs has quietly gone about the business of

creating fine amplification systems. The Gryphon Bel Canto reaps the benefits of our accumulated experience and of our abiding passion for music.

FOR ANALOG AUDIOPHILES

Although the Gryphon Bel Canto is a linestage-only preamplifier, it is also analog-ready. In the tradition of the Gryphon Headamp and

Phonostage, which introduced the Gryphon name to the world, and out of love and respect for the musical riches which will continue to be available on LP, we offer the Gryphon Orestes RIAA phonostage and MC head amp.

The Gryphon Orestes Phonoamplifier is housed in a separate, stand-alone cabinet and may be powered directly by the Bel Canto power supplies. For the ultimate in performance, a pair of independent outboard power supplies are available in casings designed to match the distinctive Bel Canto chassis.

Separate literature on the Orestes is available from your Gryphon dealer.

THE GRYPHON EXPERIENCE

The peerless finish, build quality, ergonomics and pride of ownership that contribute to the totality of the Gryphon concept can only be fully understood and appreciated up close and in person. You owe it to yourself to experience the Gryphon Bel Canto's supreme articulation and immediacy, subtle dynamic shading and razor-sharp focus firsthand.

Visit your nearest Gryphon dealer for the full auditory, tactile and visual experience.

