



The Golden Ear

Newsletter of the *Chicago Audio Society*

February 2000

Meeting Notice

Sunday, February 20th - 2:00pm

Jim Ricketts

tmh audio

tmh audio imports fine audio equipment by **Wavac**, **Kochel**, **PSC**, and **Miyabi**. Jim Ricketts will bring the following to demonstrate:

Wavac PR-X1 line stage preamp with remote, Wavac MD-811 SE triode amplifier, Wavac MD-300B amplifier (a good possibility), Kochel K200 horn speakers (95 dB sensitivity, 8 ohms), Kochel SW200 active subwoofer to extend to 25 Hz, and PSC silver cables in air dielectric (various models).

We heartily recommend an audition. The Wavac tube gear has the pure, addictive sound of high end SET components (plus they're very easy on the eyes), while the Kochel speakers are an excellent match and do not exhibit typical horn colorations. PSC cables are designed to complement the combinations to let the music through. Miyabi makes fine moving coil phono cartridges, and perhaps we'll see a sample. Please bring music to play, on CD or LP.

Also, since they were omitted from last month's meeting, will be CAS officer elections for this year.

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Last Month

Jim Ginsburg and **Bill Maylone**, of **Cedille** (pronounced *say-DEE*) **Records**, based in Chicago, played a variety of their recordings of expert Chicago area musicians, ranging from recordings of pianist Dimitri Paperno to vocals by Patrice Michaels Bedi to violinist Rachel Barton. The presentation was an unqualified success enjoyed by all, as shown by applause after some tracks were played and by enthusiastic purchases of their recordings by members. We expressed our thanks, as did they, and we anticipate a return engagement sometime in the future. Meanwhile, if you missed out or wish to purchase additional titles, their CDs are available either through local record stores, direct from Cedille, or through their web site.

Next Month

March 19th - **Larry Hitch** of **Madisound** will demonstrate several of their ready-built minimonitor speakers, telling about the drivers and designs used.

Industry News

Sadly, *Audio* magazine has published its final issue.

Michael Fremer, who has been reviewing equipment for *Stereophile*, will continue in that role as well as joining the staff of *Listener* as Popular Music Editor.

The HiFi 2000 show planned to be in Rye, New York, has been cancelled. Will there be a show next year?

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We meet on the third Sunday of each month at 2pm at The Dance Building, 1330 Webford Ave., Des Plaines IL, nonmembers are welcome (\$5 fee, may be applied to \$30 annual dues, prorata). CAS is a volunteer, registered nonprofit organization of audiophiles and music lovers. Our constitution and bylaws are available on our website at <http://www.xnet.com/~bpwalsh/bylaws.htm> or in printed form upon request.

