

***Please Note:*** *We will be meeting at Rick Berta's house and as previously, all attending will need to have proof of vaccination with them.*

**MEETING NOTICE - SUNDAY, MARCH 13th, 1:00PM - 5:00PM** (Please note earlier start time of 1:00PM)

**Rick Berta (House)  
12105 Terrier Ct  
Homer Glen, IL 60467**

**Map Link for Rick Berta's Location:** <http://tiny.cc/m8apuz>

**Add your address to the directions tab in the map for your specific directions.**

**Most (if not all) of us who don't live near Rick will likely be exiting I-355 at the 159th St exit. Click on Directions for the map link above and enter your starting location.**



**Our thanks to Tim Connor of KitsuneHiFi ( [www.kitsunehifi.com](http://www.kitsunehifi.com) ), the official source for HoloAudio products in the USA, for supplying us with a demo unit for our meeting of their flagship, the Holo May KTE. The Holo May KTE is a 40 lb, 2-chassis DAC, using a unique true R2R topology that is capable of supporting up to DSD1024 native and PCM 1.536MHz output (through HQPlayer). Many prefer to simply use the true NOS mode. In-depth details of the Holo May KTE (and other versions) can be found here:**

**<https://www.kitsunehifi.com/product/holo-audio-may-dac/>**

**The main high-efficiency, tube SET system (one speaker shown in photo above) features Lowthers with circular horns, Edgarhorn 100Hz horns with Altec 515B-8G-HP drivers, a custom 0a1 tube preamp, a custom 46 tube amp, and 2 REL subs. Rick's system currently uses the Denafrips Terminator and the Denafrips Hermes D-D converter using I2S to connect to the DAC. We plan to use the Hermes/I2S with the Holo May KTE and will listen to both.**

**This is a unique opportunity to hear two of the most discussed DACs in recent times that are sold direct and rarely available to hear before purchase. Look forward to seeing you there for another great time at Rick's!**

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## **AXPONA 2022 IS HERE!**

**After 3 years (yes, 3 years) AXPONA 2022 is scheduled for Friday, April 22 through Sunday, April 24 at the Renaissance Schaumburg Convention center. The exhibitor list shows about 140 rooms at this time. For full show information go to:**

**<https://www.axpona.com/>**

**The Chicago Audio Society may have a discount code sent out in the coming weeks (probably about 20% off), but right now the lowest cost to attend is through the online ticket service Goldstar. There are service charges, but right now there are one day passes (2 max) for Free + \$7 svc fee or \$12.50 + \$4 svc fee (up to 6 max). You will need to register on the website and do check the website to see the specifics of refund or site credit if you purchase but are unable to attend. Goldstar AXPONA Tickets link:**

**<https://www.goldstar.com/shows/2015858/checkout/new>**

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