MEETING NOTICE - Sunday, December 2nd, 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM Arlington Heights Historical Museum

Arlington Room, 110 W. Fremont Arlington Heights, IL For directions go to:

http://www.chicagoaudio.org/directions-to-meetings.html

FREE PARKING. GUESTS, VISITORS, AND NEW MEMBERS ARE INVITED.

DECEMBER MEETING-JON VER HALEN from REFINED AUDIO PRESENTING CUBE AUDIO NENUPHAR FULL-RANGE LOUDSPEAKERS with FIRST WATT and PASS AMPLIFIERS

We are very pleased to welcome back Jon Ver Halen of Refined Audio (<u>www.refinedaudio.com</u>) of River Forest, IL to present the new top-end Cube Audio Nenuphar Loudspeakers with a variety of First Watt and Pass amplifiers.

The Cube Audio Nenuphar speakers

(<u>https://www.cubeaudio.eu/</u>) utilize a unique, new 10" full-range driver and go down to about 30 hz, They have won awards from 6 moons and AVShowrooms, and have an in-depth review coming from AVShowrooms. 6 Moons gave its highest Blue Moon Award (which has only been awarded about 4-5 times in 15+ years) to the Nenuphar Loudspeaker. The Cube Audio driver lacks the usual mid-range peak of most full-range drivers, combined with moderate efficiency (92 dB) that allow them to them work in a TQWT (Tapered Quarter Wave Transmission line) cabinet, with fast, non-resonant bass, unlike most bass-reflex designs.

Jon is also bringing, for our listening pleasure, a variety of Nelson Pass designed First Watt amplifiers and possibly a Pass XP-25 amplifier as well. Note that since John is using a SD chip reader and a computer, that CDs will not be used. A passive Dave Slagle designed passive pre-amp from Intact Audio and top of the line Metrum Acoustics Pavane DAC will also be on hand.

The system on had will consist of the following:

QLS HiFi QA660 Digital Audio Player (<u>http://www.qlshifi.com/en/Products.htm</u>)

Metrum Acoustics Pavane DAC (<u>https://metrumacoustics.com/</u>)

Intact Audio Passive Pre-amp

(<u>http://www.intactaudio.com/</u>)

First Watt SIT-3, First Watt V-Fet, First Watt F7, and Pass XP-25 Ampifiers (<u>http://www.firstwatt.com/</u>) **Cube Audio Nenuphar Loudspeakers (** <u>https://www.cubeaudio.eu/</u>) 6 Moons Nenuphar Review: (http://www.6moons.com/audioreviews2/cubeaudio2/1.html) This promises to be a great meeting with some the most interesting high-end components today. Mark the time and date. Look forward to seeing you all there.

NEXT FUTURE MEETING--Sunday, February 17, 2019

Sunday, February 17, 2019, 2-5PM: The Chicago Audio Society will host Brian Walsh of EXOGAL to demonstrate EXOGAL components, including the first public presentation of the new Vortex streamers. Free parking. Guests, visitors, and new members are invited.