

... a remarkably musical and "tube-like" sound from affordable solid state components.



Sonogy musical electronics.

A marriage of art and engineering resulting in the most lifelike and enjoyable music re-creation at any price.

These well-crafted amplifiers and preamplifiers will provide a lifetime of musical enjoyment, yet are priced within reach.

We invite you to read about the dedication and care that go into every Sonogy product.

The name Sonogy derives from our intense study of sound and music. This study has resulted in something extraordinary – amplifiers and preamplifiers that combine the best qualities of fine tube and solid-state electronics in a single, affordable package. An innovative engineering approach - based on musical perception as well as solid technical measurements - enables Sonogy components to combine the delicacy of tubes with the power, detail, and value of modern solid state design. Nearly a decade of effort has resulted in an uncommonly rich and musical sound that reviewers and listeners often call "solid state tube amps." The balance of this brochure can acquaint you with both our Cantata™ power amplifier and our Concerto™ modular preamplifier - both innovative and feature-rich products for serious lovers of music.

CantataTM ...

...has been described as the "solid-state tube amp", and is so refined that it delivers tube-like delicacy <u>and</u> the awesome power of a high current solid state amplifier. Cantata's plug-in amplifier circuits provide for easy and cost effective upgrades. Every stereo Cantata can also be used as a true balanced (differential) monoblock amplifier delivering over 300 watts. Magazine reviews have repeatedly praised the Cantata's exceptional soundstaging, delicacy, and tube-like warmth. It is truly among the finest values available in the world of music reproduction.



The Cantata power amplifier sets standards for amplifiers twice its price.

- 100 Watt per channel stereo / 300 Watt balanced monoblock modes
- Zero loop feedback yields unconditional stability into difficult speaker loads
- Fully discrete, pure class-A driver circuitry with high bias output stage
- Independent optimized power supplies for driver and output stages
- Exceptionally high current drives difficult speaker loads
- Plug-in circuitry enables upgrades & eliminates obsolescence

Concerto TM ...

...is a modular preamplifier that can be upgraded easily, rendering it virtually obsolescence-proof. This complete preamplifier includes fully balanced line stage plug-in circuitry, a high current, fully regulated power supply, and an optional plug-in RIAA phonograph circuit. Unlike many preamplifiers in its class, the Concerto provides 6 line level inputs (to accommodate all your audio and video sources), absolute polarity (phase) control, and many other useful features. This exceptional product excels in harmonic richness and in its ability to unravel layers of musical subtlety, all while remaining pure and delicate.



The Concerto preamplifier: "one of the sweetest sounding solid-state preamps in existence"
-Martin G. DeWulf in <u>Bound for Sound</u>

- Inherently balanced line stage
- Regulated & filtered external power supply
- Circuitry on **upgradeable** plug-in boards
- Fully discrete, pure class-A circuitry
- Absolute phase control
- Local circuit regulation
- Custom moving coil loading

- Flexible 6 line level inputs plus phono option
- Phono stage accepts either **MM or MC** cartridges
- Left and right **stepped balance** attenuators
- No negative feedback loops
- Class-A headphone amplifier (optimized for Grado[™] professional phones)
- Optimized FET / bipolar hybrid circuits
- Balanced & unbalanced outputs

All Sonogy products feature:

Quality Construction:

Sonogy products are precision crafted for long, trouble-free lives. The components used are exceptional in both durability and musical performance. These include costly Wima[™] and Solen[™] polypropolene capacitors, gas-tight Mil-spec connectors, 1% Resista[™] metal film resistors, machined gold Sound Connections[™] RCA jacks, and solid brass *true* 5-way binding posts.

Long Term Beauty:

The rich finish of every Sonogy product is as unusual and durable as it is beautiful. The lacquer - like gloss is not paint at all, but a polished metal surface protected by a hard layer of black anodize. This surface resists chips, scratches, and the elements as no paint can, yet yields a deep, almost hand-rubbed, appearance.

What the Experts Say:

"...the [Cantata's] sound was truly full range, without grain or grunge, almost tube-like, but with real guts and extension in the bottom octaves."

"...the Concerto is one of the sweetest sounding solid-state preamplifiers in existence ..."

-Martin G. DeWulf
Bound for Sound

"The first sonic characteristic that strikes you about the Cantata is its musicality. I *always* enjoyed listening to music through the Cantata."

-Mark Schneider In Terms of Music

Other fine audio and music journals do not permit excerpts from their pages. Please inquire of your dealer, or call Sonogy, for full reprints of these rave reviews.

Specifications Cantata Power Amplifier

Stereo Power: $100 \text{ w/ch } (8\Omega)$

Balanced Power: $200 \text{ w/ch } (4\Omega)$ $300 \text{ watts } (8\Omega)$ $>500 \text{ watts } (4\Omega)$

Signal-Noise Ratio: >90 dB (A-weighted)
Negative Feedback: 0 dB

Input Impedance:100K- Ω Gain:26 dB (20x)SMPTE I.M.:<.05%DC Offset:<10mV

DC Offset: <10mV Class of Operation: High Bias AB

Sensitivity: 1.4 V for full output 65 mV for 1W output

Shipping Weight: 39 lbs. / 18 kg
Dimensions (w,h,d): 19" x 7 1/8" x 11.5"
Transistor Type: Selected Bipolar
Electrical Draw: 100W (idle)

600W (max)

Phase Inversion: No

Freq. Response: 10Hz-20 kHz +/- 1dB Current Delivery: 30A peak (<100mS)

Concerto Preamplifier:

Dimensions: 19"(w) x 13"(d) x 4"(h)

Shipping Weight

preamplifier 15 lbs / 6.8 Kg
power supply 10 lbs / 4.5 Kg
Inputs six (line), 1 RIAA
Outputs 2 unbalanced

1 balanced 1 tape

(Line stage)

Frequency Response: 5Hz-20kHz +/-.3 dBInput impedance: $40 k-\Omega$ min.

Output impedance: 100Ω max Gain: x4 (12 dB)

Input Overload: >5V RMS 5hz -40kHz

SMPTE I.M. Distortion: <.05%
Negative Feedback: 0 dB
Absolute polarity/phase: selectable
power consumption: 10W max.
Class of operation: pure class "A"

(RIAA Phono Module)

RIAA accuracy: 20Hz-20kHz +/- .25 dB

Input Impedance: user selectable Gain @ 1kHz: 46 dB (MM)

66 dB (MC) fully passive

Negative feedback: 0 dB

RIAA equalization:

class of operation: pure class "A"

SMPTE I.M. Distortion: <.1%