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MARANTZ REAFFIRMS ITS HOME ENTERTAINMENT LEADERSHIP AT CES 2006 WITH BROAD LINEUP OF ULTIMATE-QUALITY VIDEO AND AUDIO COMPONENTS

- Broad Range of Advanced DLP™ Projectors, Reference-Quality DVD Players, A/V Receivers and More, Plus Company's First Audio Tuner in Five Years -

LAS VEGAS, NV, January 5, 2006 — Marantz America, a world leader in home entertainment products, is demonstrating its commitment to ultimate-quality home entertainment solutions at CES 2006 with a broad line of sophisticated products, ranging from today's most advanced DLP video projectors to multi-zone audio/video receivers, universal DVD players, a breakthrough "virtually wireless" audio networking system and more. The company's full lineup of products for 2006 will be on display at the Marantz Booth #20407 (in South Hall).

Advanced Lineup of DLP™ Projectors

Marantz is demonstrating its lineup of three advanced home theater projectors, with models geared toward a wide variety of consumer needs and budgets, including the recently introduced VP8600, a high-value high-definition DLP™ projector with a suggested retail price of \$5,999, a newly upgraded version of the acclaimed VP-12S4 High-Definition DLP™ Projector (SRP: \$14,499), and the ultimate "price is no object" luxury piece, the renowned VP-10S1 (SRP: \$37,999). The key image-enhancing firmware upgrade for the VP-12S4 will benefit all new purchasers as well as current owners. In addition, Marantz is also showing a prototype of its upcoming VP-11S1, an ultimate-quality projector with full upconversion capability for all video sources to 1080p HD resolution.

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PLAC Technology for “Virtually Wireless” Audio Distribution

At CES, Marantz is introducing a major innovation in “virtually wireless” multi-zone audio distribution, Power Line Audio Communication (PLAC) technology. The company is debuting its new ZR6001SP system, which includes both the ZR6001 Audio/Video receiver, and the ZC4001 Client. When combined in the Marantz ZR6001SP system, these two high-performance components make it easier than ever before for consumers to set up a multiple room digital audio distribution system in their home – by actually running all their favorite music to any room in the house via the existing AC power lines in their home.

Marantz A/V Receivers Offer Surround Sound Solutions

Marantz’ full line of advanced 7.1-channel audio/video receivers provide dynamic surround sound solutions for every consumer need and budget. The company’s broad line of receivers, led by its acclaimed flagship SR9600 (SRP: \$4,199), includes the SR8500 (SRP: \$1,599); SR7500 (SRP: \$1,099); SR5600 (SRP: \$649.99) and high-value SR4600 (SRP: \$429.99). Featuring an elegant and understated chassis design with aluminum front panels and cursor controls, all Marantz receivers feature 7 channels of discrete amplification, HD component video switching, component or S-video upconversion, 32-bit DSP processing and 192kHz/24-bit digital/audio converters for all channels. In addition, all models feature Dolby Pro Logic IIx capability, surround-sound headphone processing, front panel menu control and home theater processing such as THX or HT-EQ.

DVD: Never Compromise on Image Quality or Performance

Discriminating home entertainment enthusiasts are accustomed to a marked improvement in image quality between conventional television and HDTV, and when it comes to DVD players, Marantz utilizes similar image-enhancing technologies to ensure unprecedented clarity, color, sharpness and detail. The company’s line of high-performance DVD players is led by its reference-quality flagship model, the DV9600 (SRP: \$2,099), which features many of today’s most sophisticated video enhancement technologies. An advanced HDMI 1.1 interface ensures that digital video signals are fed directly to display devices without any degradation in digital purity or quality (supporting 480i output), and high-performance video scaling circuitry allows it to support upsampling to 720p, 1080i and even 1080p HD formats. In addition, the DV9600’s PDDV circuit (Pure Direct Digital Video) passes 480i signals through via HDMI which provides viewers with the purest signal possible, as well as allowing the processor in

components such as Marantz' VP-12S4 to fully process the signal. Other high-performance Marantz DVD players include the high-value progressive scan Model DV7600 (SRP: \$1,099), the DV6600 (SRP: \$649), and the DV4600 (SRP: \$299).

Marantz' First Dedicated Tuner in Five Years

Marantz' legacy in high-end audio tuners is exemplified at CES by the company's first dedicated tuner in five years, the ST7001. A digitally-synthesized "front end" XM/AM/FM tuner, the ST7001 provides a host of industry-leading performance and convenience features. It supports XM Radio functionality, the fee-based satellite digital radio service. XM Radio programs by plugging a commercially available XM Radio antenna into the XM antenna jack on the back. Other innovative new features that typify the ST7001's forward-thinking approach to home entertainment is the unit's "whole-home" networking-friendly Triple IR Code feature. Three sets of remote control codes are provided, allowing users to stack and control up to three ST7001 tuners independently from the same remote. The ST7001 is currently available at a suggested retail price of \$449.99.

"Platinum Standard" Audio Separates

Reflecting its longstanding audio heritage, Marantz America, Inc. is demonstrating several high performance component separates at CES 2006, including its newly developed vinyl disc turntable, Model TT-15S1 (SRP: \$1699.99), two new "Platinum Standard" separates, the Model SA-15S1 SACD player (SRP: \$2,099) and the integrated stereo amplifier, Model PM-15S1, as well as the high-performance CD5001 Compact Disc Player (SRP: \$329.99). All four products provide discriminating audiophiles and custom installation specialists with the advanced components they need to create true reference-quality audio systems. Marantz also announced that it will expand its 2-channel audio line in April 2006 with the introduction of two high-performance, high-value components, the Model PM7001 integrated amplifier (SRP: \$649), and the new Model SA8001 SACD (SRP: \$999), which share many of the advanced features and technologies of the PM-15S1 and SA-15S1, respectively.

About Marantz

Marantz America is committed to upholding the tradition of technological superiority initiated by founder Saul Marantz. In keeping with this emphasis on quality, Marantz audio and video components are carried only by the nation's premier independent audio/video specialty retailers. Additional information is available at www.marantz.com. Marantz America is a wholly owned subsidiary of D&M Holdings Inc.

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