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MARANTZ INTRODUCES NEW ULTIMATE-QUALITY AUDIO SEPARATES

-- First New Marantz Turntable in Twenty Years Along, Plus New “Platinum Standard” Integrated Amplifier and Reference-Quality SACD Player --

ITASCA, IL, September 9, 2005 — Reflecting its longstanding audio heritage, Marantz America, Inc. will introduce several ultimate-quality component separates at CEDIA 2005, including its first newly developed vinyl disc turntable in 20 years (Model TT-15S1), two new “Platinum Standard” separates, the Model SA-15S1 SACD player and the integrated stereo amplifier, Model PM-15S1, as well as the high-performance CD5001 Compact Disc Player. All four products exemplify Marantz’ “Life Amplified” corporate credo, and provide discriminating audiophiles and custom installation specialists with the advanced components they need to create true reference-quality audio systems. Marantz’ new audio separates will be demonstrated at CEDIA 2005 at the company’s Booth #377.

Kevin Zarow, Vice President, Marketing and Product Development, Marantz America, Inc., noted: “For more than fifty years, the world’s true ‘audio believers’ have turned to Marantz for the very finest components capable of recreating every nuance of musical performance. Today, Marantz is still dedicated to audio purity and performance than ever. The new PM-15S1 integrated amplifier and SA-15S1 SACD player build on the success of the popular PM-11S1 and SA-11S1 separates we introduced last year, and all our new components continue the legacy of our industry-leading SC-7S1 and MA-9S1 flagship pieces. Most notably, our new TT-15S1 turntable is already generating tremendous excitement among the few audiophile customers and exclusive retailers who have seen it in action.”

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PM-15S1: The Ultimate in Amplification Technology

Featuring Marantz' new platinum cosmetic, the PM-15S1 integrated amplifier incorporates today's most advanced audio technologies, along with the finest materials and construction to deliver unmatched sonic performance with unparalleled fidelity, resolution and musical realism. Like the PM-11S1 introduced last year, the PM-15S1 has at its core a massive audiophile-grade toroidal amplifier, and features HDAM SAs (High Definition Amplifier Modules Super Audio) in the pre-amp output stage. For accurate tonal and image balance with virtually no distortion, the PM-15S1 features symmetrical circuitry, independent oversized heat sinks and hand-selected customized components. Ultrawide bandwidth circuitry provides a frequency response from 3 Hz – 150 kHz, with a remarkable greater-than-100dB channel separation. The combination of these audio enhancing features results in music reproduction that captures the essence of each recording, with every sonic nuance audible in a rich, enveloping soundstage. To further maximize audio performance, the PM-15S1 features a high-quality MM/MC phono pre-amp.

For the ultimate in flexibility, the PM-15S1 provides users with multiple listening modes, including stereo, bi-amp, and multi-channel operation. And to ensure optimum signal purity with no noise interference, the amplifier's newly designed display, featuring unique Marantz "Blue" backlighting, operates on its own independent power supply.

The Marantz PM-15S1 Class A Stereo Amplifier will be available in October for a suggested retail price of \$2099.00.

SA-15S1 SACD Player: The Best and The Brightest

To bring out the best and brightest sounds of today's advanced digital audio disc formats, including SACD, CD, and CD-R/RW recordings, the platinum SA-15S1 SACD player utilizes a unique super-solid chassis design, as well as refinements such as high-speed DSD (Direct Stream Digital) DACs, a specially designed digital filter and new HDAM SA Buffer Amps. An ingeniously designed shorter signal path circuit board construction adds to the SA-15S1's stunning music reproduction capabilities, decoding SACD's Direct Stream Digital (DSD) bit stream (1-bit sampled at 2.8224 MHz) with frequency response to 100 kHz and an incredible dynamic range of 113 dB (at lower frequencies).

The SA-15's solid chassis construction and newly designed mechanism, combined with additional shielding and a double-layer bottom plate, virtually eliminates sound-degrading vibration.

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The player's audiophile-grade massive toroidal transformer delivers all the power necessary to bring out the best in digital music sources. Like the PM-11S1, the SA-11S1's front-panel FL display features Marantz's blue backlighting and utilizes a separate power supply to prevent noise interfering with the audio signal path.

The Marantz SA-15S1 SACD player will be available in October for a suggested retail price of \$2099.99.

TT-15S1: Connecting With the Past Using Today's Advanced Technologies

Marantz' new TT-15S1 turntable is a dream come true for analog audio purists, many of whom have sought older model Marantz turntables in collector's auctions and other high-end outlets for years. Designed using some of today's most sophisticated technologies and an ingenious design, the TT-15S1 brings out the best in vinyl recordings. It features an ingenious magnetic anti-skating system and an anodized arm for flawless performance. The asynchronous motor never makes contact with the chassis contact, ensuring faultless signal input and processing. The acryl chassis has massive aluminum feet for maximum stability, while the 3cm-thick acryl platter, ceramic bearing and endless silicon belt ensure smooth playing at all times.

Only the highest standard materials were used to construct the TT-15S1, which features direct fixed high-grade interconnection of OFC copper with RCA plugs and an exclusive Marantz MM system in a stylish ebony body. The turntable's finely tuned adjustable counterweight ensures superb play of vinyl records.

The Marantz TT-15S1 vinyl turntable will be available in October with a suggested retail price of \$1699.99.

CD5001 CD Player: Disc Perfection

Marantz' new CD5001 CD player, which replaces the company's highly successful CD5400, offers the purest digital sound reproduction possible. It includes a host of features geared specifically for the custom install market, including a detachable power cord, triple IR code set, direct IR input and optical and coaxial digital outputs. Users will appreciate the built-in pitch control feature, as well as convenience features like peak search and track edit. The CD5001 will be available this month for a suggested retail price of \$329.99.

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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