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MARANTZ INTRODUCES NEW INDUSTRY-LEADING ST7001 AM/FM TUNER
WITH XM RADIO FUNCTIONALITY

- Company's First New Tuner in Five Years Is Packed With Advanced Performance and Convenience Features, Including "Networking-Friendly" Remote Control Functionality -

Las Vegas, NV, January 5, 2006— Marantz America, a world leader in home theater solutions, is reaffirming its legacy of unparalleled tuner performance with the introduction of the ST7001, a digitally-synthesized "front end" XM/AM/FM tuner providing a host of industry-leading performance and convenience features. The first dedicated tuner to be introduced by Marantz in five years, the ST7001 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.

Advanced "Custom-Installer Friendly" Design

Everything about the new ST7001 tuner is designed to appeal to Marantz' valued base of custom installation professional customers, as well as any home entertainment enthusiast who wishes to enjoy the very finest in precision tuning with total system-building flexibility, convenience and control. Among the most 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. This feature will be especially useful for consumers who wish to enjoy broadcasts in multiple rooms throughout the house, with a variety of A/V components installed in a single location. With a single remote control code for the multiple ST7001 tuners, all the connected units will perform the same action when controlled with a single control device (such as a Crestron product). The ST7001 also features a built-in RS-232C jack ready for easy set-up by custom installers, allowing centralized remote control from another connected device's touch panel. In addition, a special flasher input jack is included,

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allowing the ST7001 to be reliably controlled even without using the RS-232C, which is useful in the event a user wishes to install the unit as part of an enclosed A/V component rack. To further facilitate its easy integration into advanced custom designed systems, the ST7001 features a D-Bus connector.

“Custom-Naming”, Advanced Sleep Timer and More

The ST7001 is equipped to provide users with unparalleled convenience in enjoying home entertainment. It is highly customizable, offering a total of 200 channel presets. Among its many easy-to-use convenience features is 100-station programmability with a “custom naming” discrete command function. To save time and make it easier to locate your favorite stations, the tuner has roughly 250 discrete commands for specific XM, as well as AM and FM stations – without ever typing in a number, a single IR command takes you right to the station you want.

Two audio output jack systems are provided, allowing users to connect the ST7001 to an amplifier as well as another A/V component on a separate system. By connecting the ST7001 to a timed recording device, for example, users can program the device to record broadcasts without the need for an external timer. And thanks to the ST7001’s convenient weekly timer, users can set the time, day of the week, and channel to activate or deactivate itself automatically as scheduled. Up to three programs can be registered, and users can choose from convenient timer patterns: once, daily, weekly, weekly from a favorite day of the week to a day of the week (e.g. Monday-Friday, weekly Tuesday-Saturday). In addition, an advanced sleep timer function lets users fall asleep listening to the station of their choice.

For maximum audio performance, the ST7001’s advanced digital is meticulously designed to maximize signal quality while minimizing interference. The ST7001 features an aluminum front panel, and for added convenience in integrated system use, all controls are coordinated with those of the Marantz CD5001 CD player, with aligned displays and controls in the same positions.

The ST7001 is currently available at a suggested retail price of \$449.99.

About Marantz

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