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## A Lifetime of Music

**MEMO: To All Bryston Customers**

**SUBJECT: BDP-2 Digital Player**

**DATE: December 2012**

**Hi James,**

It was nice speaking to you on the phone this morning. Thanks again for helping me setup MPAD. I received my Bryston BDP-2 yesterday and I'm absolutely amazed at the sound quality. Through the BDP-2, digital music in my system has never sounded so good. The organic nature of the music is so enjoyable. For reference, my system includes a PS Audio PWD MKII and PWT, Ray Samuels A-10 Thunderbolt fully balanced vacuum tube 2 chassis electrostatic headphone amp/preamp, McIntosh MC452 quad balance power amp, Harbeth M40.1 speakers, and a Linn LP12 turntable with Radical PS, Ekos SE arm, and Akiva MC cartridge.



What really surprises me is that I find the BDP-2 playing 16/44.1 FLAC files preferable to my PS Audio PWT spinning CDs connected to the same PS Audio PWD MKII via an I2S cable. Previously, I played those same FLAC files either through a laptop PC connected to the same DAC via a Halide Bridge USB/SPDIF converter or through a SONOS system feeding the coax digital input of the PWD MKII. The BDP-2 plays at a completely higher level than any digital system that I've heard in my home. I'm using a 2TB Western Digital self powered USB HDD connected to the BDP-2 and an AES/EBU 110 ohm Blue Jean cable to connect to the PWD MKII.

What improvements am I hearing? Images seem more real and are clearly defined in space. There appears to be more space between the images and the soundstage extends wider and deeper. Piano, horns etc.; all sound more natural than ever before. The noise level seems non-existent. Noise never seemed to be a problem before but with the BDP-2 in the system the noise floor seems to have dropped even lower. I'm very happy that I can play my nearly 19,000 FLAC files at a level that exceeds my expectations.

Thanks Bryston.

Regards,  
Steve M. from Canton, M