

Strymon Announces New PCH X1 and X2 Active Direct Boxes and Line Isolators

Phantom-powered with custom transformers, the new interfaces pack a wealth of audio performance into two small enclosures

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/EINPresswire.com/ -- Strymon Engineering (www.strymon.net), the Los Angeles-based manufacturer of premium products for musicians, announced the arrival of two new active direct boxes/line isolators today, named PCH X1 (mono) and X2 (stereo).



PCH X1 and X2

Both interfaces run on phantom power and feature a custom audio transformer per channel, delivering audiophile-quality specs and galvanic isolation.

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Each channel features a ground lift switch to combat hum and ground loops on stage, as well as a two-position High Pass Filter for taming low frequencies. The HPF can be set at 80Hz to reduce rumble, or 240Hz to more dramatically carve out space in the mix. Each channel also features an unbuffered Thru output that can be used to drive an onstage monitor or separate signal chain.

Essentially two X1s in the same enclosure, the X2 features an additional phase reverse switch on the left channel, as well as a stereo sum switch that merges the inputs and

sends them to the left outputs. The right output then mutes to indicate that summing is active.

Quiet and clean with a flat frequency response from 10Hz to 80kHz (+/- 0.5 dB), a max input level of +20.5dBu and a max signal-to-noise ratio of -123dBu, these new direct interfaces are ideal

solutions for both stage and studio, and small enough to fit just about anywhere.

"The response to the release of our original pedalboard-centric PCH interface last summer has been very positive, and we wanted to offer a phantom-powered version with transformers to better suit the needs of the live sound and studio professional", said Gregg Stock, Strymon's CEO and chief analog guru. "These new boxes perform brilliantly as both direct interfaces and transformer-based line isolators, and they're clean and quiet enough to be used in the most sensitive of applications - even in scenarios where low end clarity is absolutely critical. We're very pleased with how they came out."



PCH X1 and X2

The new PCH X1 and X2 direct interfaces are available now directly from Strymon and from dealers worldwide for \$199 (X1) and \$299 (X2) USD.

Information and specs can be found at <https://www.strymon.net/product/pch-x>. Please contact Jack Heine at marketing@strymon.net for all media or press inquiries.

About Strymon:

Based in Westlake Village, CA, Strymon Engineering manufactures an award-winning line of guitar effects pedals, Eurorack modules, processing plugins, direct boxes, MIDI interfaces and hyper-robust power supplies. Their products are mainstays in the rigs of top recording and touring professional musicians worldwide, helping players craft their own signature sounds with creative, powerful and road-worthy gear that sounds like nothing else.

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