

The World Best Car Audio

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Magic Bus, that is what they called. A spectacular gift from Jon Whitledge, a scientist, engineer, craftsman, audiophile, which is wonderful. Robert Harley, a senior audio reviewer and editor for Absolute Sound give the world best car audio. Utanto Wibowo, installer of elixir car stereo jl kenari 83 jogja, have listen the wonderful sound of Magic Bus in the 2013 Las Vegas T.H.E. Show.

Utanto was very lucky to have opportunity to be allowed to listen the Magic Bus. In the beginning, he just sending an email to Jon's facebook. And then he got an enthusiast respond from Jon, saying to come to Vegas, and he will share the Magic Bus. Wow!! A dream come true, Utanto said. What a kindly person Jon is.

Base on the email, Yung2 (Utanto) go to America alone, to visit THE Shown where the Magic Bus is showed. At Magic Bus stand, Yung2 was warmly greeted directly by Jon. Utanto said he came from Indonesia who was emailing him to come to listen the Magic Bus. Wow!! From Indonesia, said Jon. Yung2 was invited to come inside the Magic Bus. From the back seat, he can feel a world class sound system, very clear, transparent, without any panel ringing, etc. first impression was marvelous, said Yung2 which several times got a winner car audio competition in Indonesia.

For about 30 minutes, it was time for Yung2 turn, to have a seat in driverseat, golden spot on the Magic Bus. Wonderful driver, monitor speaker from Dynaudio, Esotar² 110, MW150 in the dash. Midbass MW180 in the door trim, with closed enclosure. Head unit Alpine F1, DVI-7990 [*it should be DVI-9990 – Jon*], ready to accept the reference CD that Utanto's bring, Yellow Jackets *Mint Jam*.

When listening to the sound, Yung2 was very excited, as if the speaker on the dash was disappear, only the solid sound, accurate tonal, perfect staging and imaging, wonderful focus, and big dynamic. Attribute that are heard is super clean reproduction and incredible environment.

This is the best car audio I have ever listen, Utanto said.

A solid sound, means sound which is reproduce solidly, strong, full of body, and absolutely real. Accurate tonal mean every sound same real, a drum sound, saxophone, bass guitar, piano, vocal, was so detail and superb. Perfect staging and imaging, sound as if came from outside of windows. Very wide and very deep. Proportional height. Center image was very strong and focus. The wide sound from left to right was very

symmetrical, layering easily heard. A very dynamic sound give a live performance feel. The sound accelerate very fast, brings me to heaven, said Utanto, a cyclist.

And the back box. This is the story why the Mercedes Benz Sprinter was chosen by Jon, was very interesting. According to Yung2 this car was ordered directly from Germany, with five months waiting list, to be prepared as Magic Bus. With the big room of the bus, the sound dispersion will be perfect.

The Magic Bus room was made as if a home studio room. Jon doing a mathematic calculation very precisely for the Magic Bus, because he is a scientist, said Yung2.