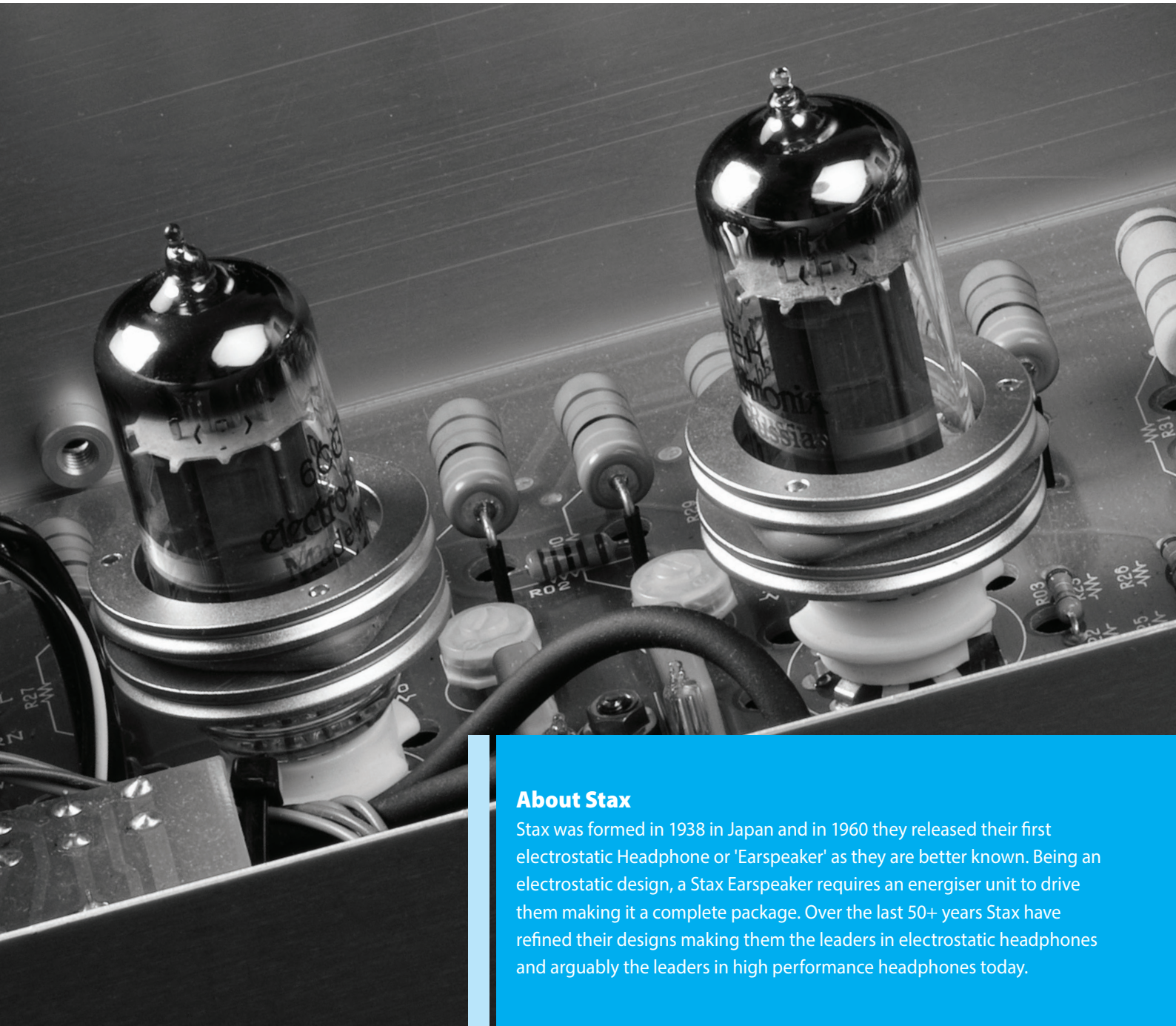


Stax Kimik 2

KIMIK MODIFIED STAX ENERGISERS



About Stax

Stax was formed in 1938 in Japan and in 1960 they released their first electrostatic Headphone or 'Earspeaker' as they are better known. Being an electrostatic design, a Stax Earspeaker requires an energiser unit to drive them making it a complete package. Over the last 50+ years Stax have refined their designs making them the leaders in electrostatic headphones and arguably the leaders in high performance headphones today.



Symmetry is pleased to announce two new Kimik modified Stax energisers

The **Stax SRM-006tS** and the **Stax SRM-007t II** have now been updated to **Kimik 2** specification.

This work has been carried out by **Mark Dolbear of Electromod** and **Nigel Crump of Symmetry**. Based on the original Kimik modification, the new **Kimik 2** features some noticeable improvements.

The tubes used are the same Electro Harmonic 6FQ7. These are cryogenically treated and precisely pair matched. A special meter was obtained from Stax to allow Mark Dolbear to set the bias and offset very accurately. The work takes around a week to complete. In the first 72 hours the tubes drift by quite some margin, so we allow a week to optimised and balanced everything. This ensures the best sound and better longevity of the tubes.

In the Kimik 2 version of both energisers, we use a new tube damper from Bermuda Audio Tuning. In the Stax SRM-006tS we use two damping rings. In the Stax SRM-007t II we use three rings. The Bermuda Audio Tuning dampers offer superior sonics to the previous parts we used. Also by using either two or three dampers we can ensure optimum thermal management of the tube. These dampers provide correct heat dissipation with the correct amount of damping for the tube.

We also took this opportunity to upgrade the fuse in the Kimik 2 update. We now use the Synergistic Research Red Fuse. This simple upgrade offers noticeably better transparency and resolution.

As with the previous Kimik modifications, these can be applied to new Stax energisers, or older Stax energisers. All the work is carried out by Mark Dolbear of Electromod. Mark's experience with these energisers has allowed us to make these updates available to dealers and customers alike.

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Stax SRM-006tS Kimik 2 update



Stax SRM-007t II Kimik 2 update

