

# **FENDER® UNLEASHES BASSBREAKER™, A NEW SERIES OF AMPLIFIERS THAT PAIRS CLASSIC FENDER DNA WITH MODERN ATTITUDE**

## **A DISTINCTIVE NINE-PIECE ALL-TUBE SERIES OF ELECTRIC GUITAR AMPLIFIERS EXPANDS FENDER'S AUDIO OFFERINGS IN 2016**

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (Jan. 21, 2016) – Fender Musical Instruments Corporation (FMIC) releases Bassbreaker, an all-tube nine-piece electric guitar amplifier series. The line blends the DNA of classic Fender cleans with aggressive tones, creating versatility for artists and players, leaving them searching for words to describe it's depth.

"With a distinct grit and growl, the new Bassbreaker series differentiates itself as an entirely new family of sound from Fender," said Jim Ninesling, VP & Category Manager Amps, Pro Audio. "Bridging the gap between the iconic 1959 Bassman amp and our current product lines, the Bassbreaker family truly meets the needs of every player regardless of their sound."

One of Fender's most innovative amplifier series in recent years, the Bassbreaker creates the opportunity for Fender enthusiasts to add a whole new dimension of sound, with features including unique circuitry plus power tubes and speakers that have distinctively British flavor. Full of attitude and bite, this new charcoal tweed amplifier series delivers pure tube sound with modern design elements, continuing Fender's legacy as the number one guitar amplifier company in the world. The Bassbreaker is available to consumers now.

**Bassbreaker 45A** powerful beast, the Bassbreaker 45 is the 45-watt flagship model that is based on the '59 Bassman and leads a first-rate lineup of lower-wattage models, all with pro-level tone and performance for today's rock players. Features include dual EL34 output tubes, an output level knob that scales the power from 45 watts to a single watt, Normal and

Bright inputs, plus BOTH input for achieving legendary “channel blend” tonal variations without a patch cable and two 12” Celestion® V-Type speakers in the combo version.

**Bassbreaker 18/30**The Bassbreaker 18/30 model packs two amps into a single chassis for bell-like clean tones and warm crunch when driven. Channel One is a 30-watt version of the Blackface Fender Deluxe™ amp, and Channel Two’s circuit is based on an 18-watt ‘61 brown Deluxe, offering plenty of power amp overdrive with easily controlled dynamics at “real world” volume levels. Also included with the 18/30 is a footswitch that allows easy selection between both channels and four EL84 power tubes that add a distinctive midrange punch. Two 12” Celestion V-Type Speakers can be found in the combo version.

**Bassbreaker 15**The Bassbreaker 15 is the go-to for performing and recording. This model creates its magic with a trio of 12AX7 preamp tubes feeding into two EL84 power tubes for 15 watts of modern tone. The recording-friendly features include an XLR line output with switchable speaker emulation and Power Amp Mute. A single 12” Celestion V-Type speaker is also included in the combo version.

**Bassbreaker 007**The Bassbreaker 007 is great for the home or studio. Fueled by a pair of 12AX7 preamp tubes and a single EL84 power tube for 7 watts of true Class-A amplification, the Bassbreaker 007 Combo features traditional gain and tone controls along with a switchable vintage-style treble booster. Other features include onboard 1/4” line output for use with recording equipment or a larger amp and a single 10” Celestion Ten Thirty speaker in the combo model.

**Bassbreaker 112 and 212**The Bassbreaker 112 and 212 speaker enclosures are engineered to match and enhance Bassbreaker combos and heads. Features on both include a semi-closed back for full, rich lows and 12-inch, 8-Ohm Celestion V-Type speakers. The BB-112 includes total impedance of 8 Ohms and fits neatly under the Bassbreaker 15 combo/head and the Bassbreaker 007 head. The BB-212 has a total impedance of 16 Ohms and fits well under the Bassbreaker 45 combo/head and the Bassbreaker 18/30 combo.

For more information on Bassbreaker, visit [www.fender.com/there-are-no-words](http://www.fender.com/there-are-no-words). For more information on Fender and to find a Fender Premium Showcase Dealer, visit [www.fender.com](http://www.fender.com).

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## ABOUT FENDER

Since 1946, Fender has revolutionized music and culture as one of the world's leading musical instrument manufacturers, marketers, and distributors. Fender Musical Instruments Corporation (FMIC)—whose portfolio of owned and licensed brands includes Fender®, Squier®, Gretsch® guitars, Jackson®, EVH®, Charvel®, Bigsby®, and PreSonus® – follows a player-centric approach to crafting the highest-quality instruments and digital experiences across genres. Since 2015, Fender's digital arm has introduced a new ecosystem of products and interactive experiences to accompany players at every stage of their musical journey. This includes innovative apps and learning platforms designed to complement Fender guitars, amplifiers, effects pedals, accessories, and pro-audio gear, and inspire players through an immersive musical experience. FMIC is dedicated to unlocking the power of musical expression for all players, from beginners to history-making legends. In 2026, Fender celebrates 80 years of giving artists “wings to fly,” carrying on the vision of its founder, Leo Fender, and connecting players through a shared love of music.

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