

FENDER® AUDIO ADDS NEW PRODUCTS TO POPULAR PASSPORT® LINE

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (April 9, 2014) — Fender Audio is pleased to introduce three new portable audio systems to the popular Passport line, the **CONFERENCE**, **EVENT** and **VENUE**.

Fender Passport systems are self-contained portable audio solutions that include everything you need for great sound anywhere you go. Providing extremely easy operation, the Passport series is perfect for the layperson who needs quality public address with simple functionality. Carry your Passport as you would a suitcase, and simply flip open the cabinet release latches when you're ready to set it up. Inside you'll discover two full-range speaker cabinets, a powered mixer, and all the cables you'll need to get started. The refreshed Passport series features upgraded power platforms, better looking and easier to navigate mixer controls, more pro features such as mono out and Bluetooth compatibility, added microphone kits and more. It has never been easier to channel Fender-quality tone and features – anytime, anywhere.

Passport **CONFERENCE** is ideal for an array of applications, including education, sporting and worship events; meetings, seminars and presentations; and gigs at parties, small clubs and coffeehouses. The Fender Passport CONFERENCE weighs 30 lbs. and features 175 watts of Class-D power through two 5.25" woofers, and includes a microphone kit, five-channel mixer, XLR and 1/4" mic/line inputs for flexible source connectivity, Volume and tone controls, 1/8" stereo input – to play recorded material from a mobile device or laptop – 1/8" stereo output for headphone monitoring and sending stereo mixes.

The Passport **EVENT** system with Bluetooth® is also ideal for an array of applications, loaning itself towards medium-size audiences. It weighs 43 lbs. and features 375 watts of Class-D power through two 8" Fender Special Design speakers, and includes a microphone kit, integrated seven-channel Bluetooth-equipped mixer (to stream wireless audio from

mobile devices), XLR and 1/4" mic/line inputs for flexible source connectivity, a new developed Hi-Z 1/4" input for guitars, Stereo 1/8" input (to play recorded material from mobile devices), Stereo 1/8" output for headphone monitoring and sending stereo mixes, Sub Out with automatic high-pass filter for powered subwoofer use and Mono Out with Level control for powered monitor use.

The Passport **VENUE** is ideal for the above applications, as well as DJ and band gigs. The VENUE features a convenient USB record/playback system that lets you record performances to a USB flash drive and seamlessly play MP3 and WAV files.

Passport VENUE features 600 watts of output power (ample for medium to large audiences), an integrated 10-channel mixer that lets you intuitively mix lecture panels, musical ensembles and more, Reverb to add depth to instruments and vocals, is USB-equipped (to record performances to a USB flash drive and play CD quality 16 bit / 44.1kHz audio files), MP3 and WAV playback, XLR and 1/4" mic/line inputs for flexible source connectivity, Stereo 1/8" input to play recorded material from mobile devices, Stereo 1/8" output for headphone monitoring and sending stereo mixes, Sub Out with automatic high-pass filter for powered subwoofer use and a Mono Out with Level control for powered monitor use.

For more information, go to www.fender.com.

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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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