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# OLYMPIA DUAL MONO AMPLIFIER

USER`S MANUAL







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# 1 TECHNICAL DATA

Model: Olympia Evo
Type: vacuum tube dual mono integrated amplifier
Tubes: 8x KT88 + 2x 12AX7 + 2x 12AU7
Inputs: 3x RCA + 1x DIRECT
Options included: sub-out, remote control, tube cage
Equipment card slot extension: YES
Suitable speaker impedance: 4 $\Omega$ / 8 $\Omega$
Nominal output power: 100 W
Total harmonic distortion: <0,5%
Power bandwidth: 16 Hz – 80 kHz
Damping factor: >30
Input impedance: 50 kΩ
Sensitivity: 0,7 V
Power consumption: 350 W (at idle); 700 W (at full power)
Weight: 24 kg
Dimensions: 420 x 380 x 200 mm

# 2 SAFETY TIPS

In order to obtain the highest possible sound reproduction quality and for the sake of your own safety, please kindly refer to the following.

- Never turn on the amplifier without installed tubes and without hooked-up spekers.

- Never place the Fezz Olympia dual mono amplifier near heat sources, such as radiators, heaters or direct sunlight. Ensure adequate ventilation and airflow

- We also warn against exposure of the amplifier to conditions such as very low temperatures and/or high humidity.

- During normal operation, the vacuum tubes radiate significant amounts of heat - there is a risk of burns.

- The amplifier should be plugged directly into a wall socket. If you must use an extension cord, please make sure that it has load parameters sufficient to ensure proper handling of current delivery to the device.

- When cleaning, always disconnect the Olympia amplifier from the power source. Use a dry, soft cloth. Do not use water or cleaning agents.

- If your amplifier starts to misbehave or to work incorrectly, if it's temperature gets too high or you start feeling smoke - immediately disconnect the device from the mains.

- Due to the risk of exposure to high voltages - please do not open the lid of the amplifier.

ATTENTION: This warning remains in force also in a situation where the device is already disconnected from the wall outlet. - Always replace fuses in accordance with the original, intended specification.

- Do not make repairs on your own, or adjustments beyond those as described in this manual. Execution of any unauthorized repairs or modifications of the device result in a loss of warranty.

# 3 INTRODUCTION

Olympia - dual mono, integrated vacuum tube amplifier. It is based on eight KT88 tubes which features a truly captivating sonic performance, characterized by its powerful and refined sound signature. The amplifier comes fully equipped with all available options. The new remote offers volume control, source selection , including on/off mode. The amplifier includes a convenient "standby" function and a 2-minute pre-heating cycle which ensure optimal operating conditions and extended tube lifespan. An optional equipment card slot extension opens new posibilities for future as a bluetooth, phono-stage or DAC. The newly designed electronic tube protection fuse replaces traditional glass fuses, enhancing reliability and protects the vacuum tube circuitry. New automatic bias adjustement system guarantees optimal performance and eliminates the need for any manual adjustments. The dual-mono design ensures exceptional stereo imaging and a deep, expansive soundstage, immersing the listener in every detail of the recording. It's dynamic response and tonal accuracy bring music to life with warmth, clarity, and touch of a classic tube magic.

## 4 INSTALLATION

## UNPACKING

Please kindly check if the packaging of the amplifier has not been damaged during transit. If you find any damages, please immediately contact your dealer. Remove the amplifier and accessories from the packaging. Make sure that the content is not damaged.

 $m \dot{N}$  Do not connect the device to the power supply if it has visible signs of damage.

## PACKAGE CONTENT

The package should contain:

- Fezz Olympia vacuum tube integrated amplifier 1 pcs.
- vacuum tube of type KT88 8 pcs.
- vacuum tube of type 12AX7 2 pcs.
- vacuum tube of type 12AU7 2 pcs.
- power cord

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- cotton gloves
- vacuum tube protective cage
- remote

If any of the above items are missing in your package, contact your dealer immediately.

### VACUUM TUBES INSTALLATION

Place the amplifier on a stable surface. Carefully remove the vacuum tubes from their packaging and install them in the appropriate sockets, as show below, and adhering to the numbering scheme as identified on the packaging.

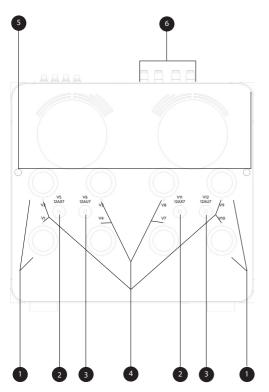
A The pins in the base of each of the vacuum tubes are "coded", and this has the result that the insertion of the vacuum tube into the socket is possible only in one correct and appropriate orientation. If, whilst inserting the vacuum tube you will sense resistance, and you can not push the tube into the socket, please check the orientation of its pins, rotate the tube to the correct position and try again.

### WHERE TO PLACE YOUR AMPLIFIER

Due to the presence of high temperatures during normal operation of the vacuum tubes, the location that you pick to place your amplifier should ensure ample ventilation, a free flow of air. Please maintain at least 10 cm clearance between the housing of the amplifier, together with the vacuum tubes, and other devices or elements of the interior. The sound quality may be degraded as a result of vibrations. Therefore we recommended to place the power amplifier on a flat and stable surface.

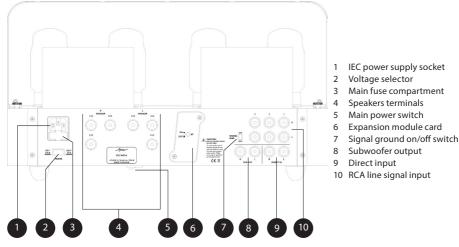
Never place the amplifier near the source of heat.

## DESCRIPTION OF THE POWER AMPLIFIER



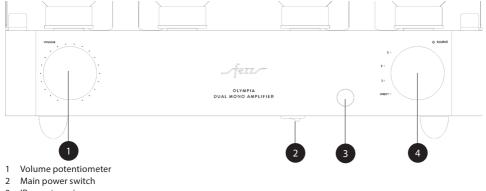
- 1 KT88 power tubes sockets
- 2 12AX7 driver tubes sockets
- 3 12AU7 driver tubes sockets
- 4 Power tube failure LED indicator
- 5 Output transformers housing
- 6 Speakers terminals

#### INTERCONNECTIONS 5



The figure above shows the rear panel view of the amplifier, together with a description of the inputs and outputs allowing for connection of the other elements of your audio system.

To avoid electrostatic shock to the components of the amplifier, please touch a grounded conductive surface before /!\ making any connections. Any and all connections must be made whilst the device is disconnected from the mains power supply. Before making any such connections, make sure that the amplifier is switched off.



- 3 IR remote reciever
- Δ Source selector / power switch

Follow the instructions below to connect your sound system correctly.

## **STEP 1 SPEAKERS CONNECTIONS**

Check the impedance of the speakers set that you own. Connect the speaker cable to the appropriate terminals on the rear panel of the amplifier. Depending on the impedance of the speakers that you own, connect it to the terminal marked either 4  $\Omega$  or 8  $\Omega$ . If your speaker impedance is 6  $\Omega$  - connect the speaker wire to the terminal 8  $\Omega$ .

## **STEP 2 AUDIO SIGNAL SOURCES CONNECTIONS**

Connect the signal source to the amplifier inputs IN1, IN2 or IN3. Select the source of input signal by rotating the input selector located on the front panel of the amplifier. In order to achieve the highest sound quality, use only high-quality RCA cables. Pay attention to the proper connection and distinction of the right (R) and the left (L) channels.

## STEP 3 POWER CORD CONNECTION

Make sure that the unit is switched off. Connect the power cord to the IEC socket on the rear panel of the amplifier. The power amplifier is designed to operate at rated switchable voltage of ~115 V or ~230 V 50-60Hz. Please check parameters of your mains network, if needed switch to right voltage using switch at the back. Please ensure that you have installed suitable fuse for desired voltage. Connecting the device to a mains network with incorrect parameters can lead to damage that is not covered by manufacturers warranty.

## 6 FIRST POWER-UP AND GETTING

Make sure that all of your wiring is connected in accordance with the information as provided above on page 5 of this manual. Turn on the mains power of the source and amplifier (mains switch at the front bottom side (5), turn the volume down to minimum, then turn on the Olympia integrated amplifier by pressing right sided knob. We recommend to turn the amplifier ON last in the "audio chain".

Olympia is equipped in a 2-minute pre-heating cycle, which ensure optimal operating conditions and extended tube lifespan. After this time Fezz logo will turn white from red colour. The vacuum tubes shall begin to glow. Bias control system needs about 30 seconds to self adjust. It has to be done without signal. Make sure that the sound source is turned on, playing, and then

## **BURING-IN PROCESS**

Any tube amplifier/power amplifier requires an initial pre-heating (or "burn-in") period, in order so that it achieves its full sonic potential. This is due to the presence of residual polarization of dielectric elements and due to a necessary stabilization of working parameters of the vacuum tubes. The stabilization of the electrical parameters of the system occurs in a natural process whilst playing music through your audio system.

A preliminary degree of pre-heating of the amplifier is reached after about 10 hours of music playback.

The full sonic capabilities shall stabilize and unfold within a time-span ranging from 40 to 60 hours of music reproduction. In the initial period of operation of the amplifier it is advisable to avoid short-term operation periods of the amplifier. Once activated, it should remain operational for a period of minimum 1 hour.

## VACUUM TUBES REPLACEMENT

Your power amplifier is equipped with automatic bias module. It's necessary to use vacuum tubes that have previously been pre-selected and paired up in quads or pairs.

1) Disconnect the amplifier from the mains socket, the power supply network. Wait few mintues to cool down the tubes. 2) Remove the currently installed tubes from their respective sockets. Plug in the new replacement vacuum tubes in these sockets. Please pay attention to correct installation inside the sockets.

## 7 POWER TUBES FUSES

Every power tube has its own safety auto fuse. When power tube will fail, safety fuse will switch on (red light signalisation) and prevents any further damage of the amplifier. Faulty tube is singalised by red light. At first, please reset the auto fuse by turning off the amplifier for approximately 2 minutes. After this time, turn the amplifier ON. If autofuse will goes red again please replace faulty power tube with new one and reset once again the auto fuse by turning off the amplifier for approximately 2 minutes. After ON.

## 8 EQUIPMENT

VACUUM TUBES PROTECTIVE CAGE

DIRECT INPUT

SUB OUT

**REMOTE CONTROL** 

PREMIUM TUBES SET

EXTENSION CARD SLOT

# TROUBLE-SHOOTING GUIDE

If your amplifier does not work as it is supposed to, it is fairly easy to diagnose and remedy some of the common malfunctions, by following procedures as outlined in this following.

PROBABLE REASON	SOLUTION
A blown fuse	Please exchange to faulty fuse to a new one (3,15A T), within the fuse holder as depicted with index 2 on page 5 of this user's manual.
An improper connection of the mains cable	Please check if the plugs of the mains cable are properly inserted into the electrical mains socket and to the socket as depicted with index 3 on page 5 of this user's manual.
An improper placement of the vacuum tubes in the sockets	Switch off the amplifier. Wait until the vacuum tubes cool down. Check for proper placement of vacuum tubes in their sockets. If necessary – correct their orientation.
One of the driver tubes (12AX7 or 12AU7) has lost its nominal working parameters	Switch off the amplifier. Wait until the vacuum tubes cool down. Exchange the positions of the driver tubes between channels. Turn on the amplifier. If the disturbing sounds have moved to the other channel, inform Your local Fezz dealer about tube which need to be replaced.
One of the Power tubes (KT88) has lost its nominal working parameters	Switch off the amplifier. Wait until the vacuum tubes cool down. Exchange the positions of the power tubes between channels. Turn on the amplifier. If the disturbing sounds have moved to the other channel, inform Your local Fezz Audio dealer about tube which need to be replaced.
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If you have verified the aforementioned situations, and your problem still persists, please contact your local Fezz Audio dealer.

