

VER A DECADE AGO SYMETRIX INTRODUCED THE VOICE PROCESSOR to the audio industry. Now Symetrix unveils the 628 Digital Voice Processor, our latest design to meet the needs of vocalists and voice talent. The 628 rolls a premium quality microphone preamplifier, 20 bit A/D and D/A converters, de-esser, expander/gate, compressor and parametric equalizer into a single rack space unit. The 628 combines proven digital signal processing and an easy to use analog-like interface with the power of factory and user programmable presets.

Top notch voice professionals now demand personalized signal processing. The Symetrix 628 gives you the ability to create and store in memory 119 custom presets. You can get on the air instantly by selecting from 8 finely tuned factory presets.

Need to provide a quick way for talent or producer to change presets? Our optional RC-1 Remote Control allows selection of the first eleven presets, plus a bypass function, eliminating frantic dashes to the equipment rack.

The 628's first stage is a proprietary transformerless and capacitorless mic preamp incorporating filters to destroy radio frequency interference. A switchable 15 dB pad prevents overloading by hot condenser microphones. A front panel LED indicates when phantom power is on. If you're into high end tube preamps then you can select line level input from the 628's front panel and bypass the 628's preamp.

Tuning the 628's de-esser to the offending frequency minimizes overly bright sibilance without resorting to brute force equalization to solve the problem. The THRESHOLD control lets you precisely apply this frequency selective gain reduction. LED metering displays the degree of de-esser action.

The 628's Expander/Gate affords more control than its analog precursor. Independent RATIO and RELEASE controls allow tuning of the expander/gate to fit any studio noise or performer isolation requirements. An LED meter shows the amount of downward expansion or gating taking place. Most compressor designs use a "one size fits all" approach to compression; the design of the 628 reflects the realization that voice and mixed music require different design philosophies. While the control complement is simple (Threshold, Ratio and Release), each has been highly optimized for voice work. The result is a compressor that can tightly control gain (from hard compression to gentle level control) with minimal or no side effects.

Three overlapping bands of digital parametric equalization round out the processing power of the 628. The equalizer can notch out interference, boost low frequency energy, cut mid-range grunge and brighten a muddy, dull voice simultaneously. The 628's parametric approach to equalization allows cuts and boosts exactly where needed to make every voice sound outstanding.

Three seven segment LEDS display all parameter values and preset numbers. An output level meter continuously monitors the 628's output. Digital sample rates of 48, 44.1 and 32 kHz are selected by a rear panel switch. Balanced and unbalanced analog outputs as well as AES3 and S/P DIF digital outputs are provided.

All voices are different, but the right tool box gives you all the functions you need to make anyone sound their best. With its processing power, programmable presets and digital output, the Symetrix 628 Digital Voice Processor is *the* complete voice processing tool box. •

APPLICATIONS

On-Air microphone processing

Broadcast production

Video and film post production audio sweetening

Live performance voice processing

Analog to digital conversion

FEATURES

Easy, intuitive operation - No menus to step through

Precise parameter adjustment with rotary knobs

128 processing presets

Plug & Play operation with 8 factory presets

Independent metering of processing functions

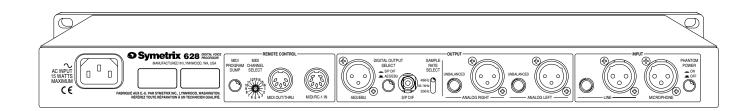
AES3 or S/P DIF digital output

Microphone and line level inputs

Optional remote preset controller

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SPECIFICATIONS

Specifications subject to change without notice.

Inputs Microphone Input Circuit Phantom Power (DIN 45 596) Microphone Pad Microphone Preamp Gain Microphone Equivalent Input Noise	Balanced Transformerless, Low Z (150 Ohms) +48 Volts, Nominal 15 dB (±3 dB) 15 dB (min.) to 75 dB (max.) <120 dBV (20 Hz to 20 kHz)	Analog Output Type Output Level at 0 dBFS Minimum Load Impedance	Balanced Transformerless +22 dBu Balanced, Jumperable to +16 dBu or -20 dBu for mic level input 600 Ohms Balanced or Unbalanced
Microphone Preamp CMRR Line Input Circuit Line Input Level at 0 dBFS Line Input CMRR Dynamic Range Processor	>-60 dB (60 dB Gain, 20 Hz to 20 kHz) 10k Ohm, Transformerless Balanced Bridging -10 dBu to +21 dBu >-40 dB (+20 dBu, 20 Hz to 20 kHz)	Digital Output Type Sample Rates A/D & D/A Converters Internal Delay	AES3 and S/P DIF 32 kHz, 44.1 kHz, 48 kHz 20 bit, Delta-Sigma <5 mS.
Type Compressor Ratio Range Compressor Release Time Range Compressor Threshold Range Expander Ratio Range	Digital Compressor/Limiter/Expander/Gate 1:1 - 15:1 250 mS. to 5.0 Sec. -60 dBFS to 0 dBFS 1:1 - 10:1	Overall Performance Frequency Response THD+Noise	±1.0 dB (20 Hz to 20 kHz) 0.05% (20 Hz to 20 kHz, +4 dBm Output)
Expander Release Time Range Expander Threshold Range De-esser Type De-esser Frequency Range	250 mS. to 5.0 Sec. -60 dBFS to 0 dBFS Digital Frequency Selective Compressor 800 Hz to 12 kHz	MIDI Implementation Access Programs	MIDI Program Change, MIDI Program Dump 8 Factory Presets, 1 Bypass, 119 User Presets, 128 Total
De-esser Threshold Range Equalizer	-60 dBFS to 0 dBFS	Physical Size (hwd) Weight	1.72 x 19 x 6.25 inches, 4.37 x 48.26 x 15.875 centimeters 5.5 lbs (2.5 kg) net, 10 lbs (4.6) shipping
Type Bands Bandwidth Range Maximum Cut/Boost	Digital Three-Band Parametric 20 to 500 Hz, 160 to 6300 Hz, 680 to 20 kHz .3 to 4 Octaves ±15 dB	Electrical Power requirements	117V nominal, 105 to 125V AC, 50 to 60 Hz, 15 watts 230V nominal, 205 to 253V AC, 50 Hz, 15 watts

RC-1 REMOTE CONTROL

The RC-1 wired remote control provides remote selection of the 628's first 11 processing presets plus a Bypass function.

