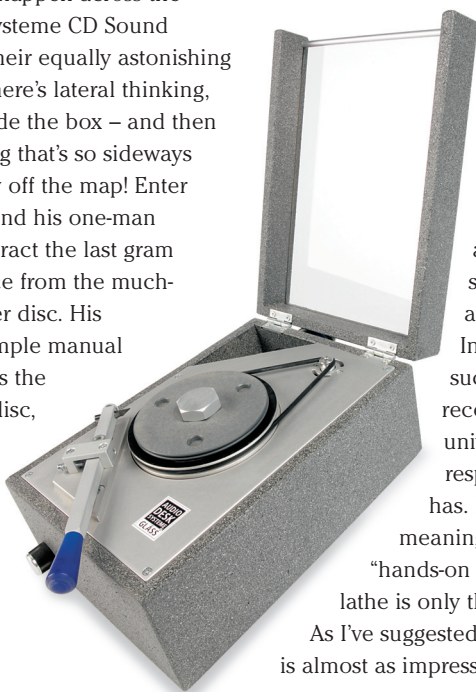


Audio Desk Systeme CD Improver

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Sometimes it seems as though there's nothing new under the hi-fi sun – and then you happen across the Audio Desk Systeme CD Sound Improver, or their equally astonishing CD Washer. There's lateral thinking, thinking outside the box – and then there's thinking that's so sideways it's completely off the map! Enter Reiner Glass and his one-man crusade to extract the last gram of performance from the much-maligned silver disc. His answer is a simple manual lathe that trims the edge of your disc, delivering the preferred 36 degree angle and perfect concentricity in a single operation.



The effects are far from subtle, as readily and repeatedly demonstrated by RSF to anyone who'll listen. Music becomes cleaner, clearer and better focussed, with greater separation of instruments and a greater sense of the space around them. Indeed, few if any such tweaks have received the almost universally positive response that this has. Bringing new meaning to the term "hands-on hi-fi", Glass's lathe is only the first step. As I've suggested, his CD Washer is almost as impressive, but the

really good news is that he has applied his fertile imagination to that old chestnut, cleaning the LP record. I just can't wait... ➤+



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