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Posted by [Sarah](#) on Sun, 15 Apr 2007 05:45:03 GMT  
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Posted by [Deej \[4\]](#) on Sun, 15 Apr 2007 06:11:16 GMT  
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Posted by [Deej \[4\]](#) on Sun, 15 Apr 2007 06:15:26 GMT  
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Oops!! sorry.I just noticed that you were talking about a rehearsal/coffeehouse rig.

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about right. You won't get much kick or bass in these, but sounds like =  
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Have you thought about used gear? Hit the local pawn brokers and =  
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Posted by [Kateeba](#) on Sun, 15 Apr 2007 13:50:04 GMT  
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<http://www.carvin.com/products/group.php?CID=SYS1>. They are good and  
very reasonable - not hi end at all, but it will get the job done.

I would agree with DJ that you need one monitor for every vocalist,  
unless they are standing very close to each other and can share one.  
Some of the Carvin systems have power for mains and monitors

Bill L

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Posted by [emarenot](#) on Sun, 15 Apr 2007 21:15:47 GMT  
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Hey Sara,

I've been out of the live world for some time, but I'd agree with some of the comments thus far: I stay away from all in one solutions -as noted you're not totally out of luck if one component dies, and I'd consider used gear. As with buying all things used you have to think about the gear's history -how much use has it had, and what sort of music was played through it. This is of course especially true for speakers. Where the gears been used seems to matter too. My repair guy tells me that cigarette smoke does for circuits boards and electrical connections favors similar to those it grants to our lungs. (I always thought it was just an issue with odor -not so apparently.)

I've listened to some of your demos and I gather you'd be playing with more than a few players. So, I'd also agree that some sort of monitor system would probably be helpful. However, I would note that our trio, if the club was small enough and the crowd noise was low enough, could often play without monitors. Of course those are two big if's that can change pretty quickly. If I was going to go out again I'd really be looking at some sort of in-ear system. Wedges can certainly work, but feedback can be a real issue. Another thing you might consider is a wireless mic system. I say this not because I'm familiar with them, but I AM familiar with running mic cables ...and coiling them, and storing them, and cleaning them, and color coding them, and tripping over them, and hiding them (to make the stage look less cluttered.) Maybe someone will chime in and correct me that wireless system have sonic or setup problems that make "wired" mics a better choice. Just a thought.

Gear aside, it sounds like playing out may be a new thing for you? If so, even if you're playing through the most basic of setups -its an absolute gas.

Cheers, MR

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Posted by [Jamie K](#) on Mon, 16 Apr 2007 05:36:48 GMT  
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Good luck with the PA search. If it's just for vocals you can probably get by with that budget.

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Posted by [steve the artguy](#) on Tue, 17 Apr 2007 18:49:32 GMT

ok, Jamie, by no popular demand whatsoever, here is an example of that very bass playing through that very amp, just last Saturday:

<http://youtube.com/watch?v=K6NKYdwhE90>

which happens to showcase the one point, in two hours of performance, where not only the singer forgets the words, but the guitar player and I drop a beat.

I'm proud. And you see the shiny forehead where hair was last time you saw me.

(there are two other videos posted there, too, but they are from a video camera and the sound and video are unaccountably about a second off.)

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Posted by [Jamie K](#) on Tue, 17 Apr 2007 21:37:43 GMT  
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Funk-Sway? The ancient Chinese art of gettin' down wit it?

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Posted by [Sarah](#) on Wed, 18 Apr 2007 10:35:14 GMT

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Sarah

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