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Subject: My new (used) bass preamp

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I picked up a used Ampeg SVPCL preamp and I am quite happy. It was \$499 new and I got it for \$350. After an A/B comparison with the Sansamp two things are obvious. My Sansamp Bass DI is uneven. I'm playing a 5 string active circuit Ibanez bass and the notes were different volumes and I thought it was the guitar. Well with the Ampeg the volumes are nicely even and much more controllable because of that. Playing up and down the neck has not hot spots or dead spots

2nd, The bass is lower and rounder on the bottom end. The sans amp does not have a bad sound but when you compare them, there is a clear difference in which one is more musical. The Ampeg sounds like a real bass player and not a mix between a bass player and a keyboard player playing bass lines. Anyways, I'm running through my outboard compressor at about 1.3:1 and it's just the right amount to control the dynamics without squashing it. YAY YAY YAY.

Anyone want to buy a Sansamp? It's going on ebay soon along with a flute, and probably a vintage roland digital delay and roland reverb and aphex aural exciter B (i think). I'm having a sale. :-)

John

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