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Posted by [brandon\[2\]](#) on Sat, 03 Jun 2006 15:08:32 GMT

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Posted by [EK Sound](#) on Sat, 03 Jun 2006 15:25:38 GMT

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Posted by [Bill Lorentzen](#) on Sat, 03 Jun 2006 15:57:15 GMT
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Subject: Re: HR824 placement
Posted by [John \[1\]](#) on Sat, 03 Jun 2006 16:37:05 GMT
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That technique works perfectly. If you do it like that you will get the best sweet spot where the stereo imaging is the most 3d.

I have little 2x4 blocks to aim the speakers down when I'm sitting mixing and straight when I'm standing playing. It keeps the sweet spot ideal.

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Posted by [Don Nafe](#) on Sat, 03 Jun 2006 17:17:38 GMT
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My Speakers (Modified Noteperfect Alpha Pros) are

34" off the floor
31" off the front wall
25" off the side walls
80" apart

in a room 10' X 19' 10" X 95"

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