

# Gadgets and Tech

## Yamaha: Ahead of the curve for 130 years

**AT YAMAHA**, we bring you closer to the artist, and with 130 years of experience in making music, who better to bring you true sound?

Meet the new MusicCast family. Yamaha is proud to introduce a brand new range of multi-room audio solutions, which means enjoying your favourite music around the home has never been easier.

Unlock a world of music with the MusicCast 20 and MusicCast 50; where style meets versatility. Stream what you like, wherever you like, using the MusicCast app. If you're looking to dust off an old record collection, or excited to discover some new ones, the MusicCast VINYL 500 has it covered.



The MusicCast VINYL 500 is an all-in-one network turntable

Whether it's through streaming content from YouTube or playing your favourite vinyl records. The MusicCast VINYL 500 debuts as the world's 1<sup>st</sup> network turntable, perfect for music lovers everywhere. From the hi-fi buff to the casual music listener, there's an option for you.

For a perfect match, try the MusicCast VINYL 500 with a pair of MusicCast 20s as a clean and simple set-up, or swap out the MusicCast 20s for a pair of MusicCast 50s and use alongside the MusicCast SUB 100, for the ultimate wireless hi-fi system.

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## Take back control of your music...

**FROM THE PALM** of your hand (or your tablet). Connected through WiFi, the new WS350 Hi-Fi Multiroom Speaker from August, engineered in the UK, provides you with room-filling sound and an enhanced listening experience. Connect one or multiple speakers in a single room, stream the same music throughout or choose different ambiance in each room and make your home sound system great again. Wi-Hi-Fi your home. Discover the new Wireless Multiroom Speaker: [augustint.com/WS350](http://augustint.com/WS350)



## Industry-leading loudspeakers

**IN PURSUIT** of providing all producers and music lovers with the purest sound, Volt Loudspeakers developed Radial Technology: a unique loudspeaker design that keeps the internal moving parts cool, avoiding the inevitable deterioration of acoustic output and sound quality. Radial loudspeakers guarantee reliability, no matter how long you listen.

With over 40 years of design experience, Volt manufacture and finish all loudspeakers by hand at their Dorset facility. Volt work with some of the hi-fi industry's leading brands and can be heard in some of the world's most prestigious recording studios.



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## Inspired for better things

**YOU MIGHT NOT** have heard of NUU Mobile yet, but they have been quietly expanding with success throughout US, Asia and now the UK and Europe, bringing consumers a better choice in affordable premium smartphones.

Nuu Mobile's latest smartphone, the NUU G2, now launches to UK customers.

Nolan Newman, NUU Mobile, said: "At NUU Mobile we feel strongly that consumers shouldn't have to sacrifice on design or features to accommodate their budgets. We know that there is a huge demand for smartphones that are not only feature packed but also look great, which is the ethos behind the G2."

The G2 has 64GB memory to manage all your storage needs, 4GB Ram and Octa-Core processor supporting 4K video. The Full HD Plus edge-to-edge 5.99" display is as cinematic experience as you can get in the palm of your hand and the immersive 18:9 ratio screen means the G2 is ideal for reading, watching or browsing.

Pro photographer or not, the G2 can capture moments with its 20MP+2MP dual camera with image stabilising technology. In addition a 13MP front selfie lens works with smart filters to make every picture Instagram perfect.

The 4,000 mAh battery with express charging also means you can enjoy your day and night without worrying about losing power when you need it. UK customers can expect the best service with NUU Mobile, all phones have a two year warranty with a UK based sales and support team operating



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*\*Offer runs 27th-31st October at midnight*

## Get creative and make music easily

**LAUNCHPAD** is the ultimate 'plug-and-make-noise' music production device. It comes with everything you or your music-obsessed friends and family need to start making and performing music, including a suite of free software and sounds.

Connect Launchpad to a PC or Mac and make your computer your studio with Ableton Live music software. Bring Live and other music applications to life with a flurry of interactive colour.

Ableton Live Lite comes free with every Launchpad. Alternatively, plug Launchpad into Novation's free Launchpad App on an iPhone or iPad (using a Lightning-to-USB 3 Camera Adapter, not included) and instantly perform tracks from your mobile device.

Launchpad is used by professional DJs, producers, and musicians the world over. You'll find it in studios, on stage, and as the device of choice while travelling, for making beats, remixing tracks and programming live sets. Its compact size, rugged build and boundless flexibility makes it the perfect partner for creators at every stage of their journey: whether fledgling or seasoned pro.



Launchpad's eight-by-eight grid of pads is a blank canvas for creative music makers, that comes alive with an interactive display of coloured LEDs. Out of the box, it reacts to the software its paired with, but it can be customised to create bespoke control surfaces by users who like to get under the hood.

There aren't many better single devices for music-minded people than the Launchpad. In the right hands it's a creator's workhorse; today's equivalent of an artist's brush or a sculptor's hammer. Perfect for occupying the dark evenings ahead!

[novationmusic.com/launch/launchpad](http://novationmusic.com/launch/launchpad)  
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## Explore, conquer and play in virtual reality at Zero Latency

**THANKS TO ZERO LATENCY**, the global leader in warehouse scale, free-roam, multiplayer virtual reality gaming, groups of up to eight people can now pit their skills against the zombie apocalypse, or killer robots and rogue drones. Families can also enjoy this award-winning, out of this world team-based problem-solving experience in VR.

"The large open spaces in our arenas gives us more flexibility to develop social experiences for groups in virtual worlds. Your bodies become the controller and your mind believes it is real. Your movement feels natural and instinctive and its fun to do with friends."



says John Lilley, CEO. Zero Latency offers

a range of free-roam virtual reality games, featuring heart racing zombie attacks, galaxy space missions and family fun adventures, all playable in the new Nottingham arena which opened this weekend:



"We have made VR gaming a social experience accessible to everyone, from gamers to adrenaline seekers, corporate group events and especially families and friends looking to have fun together. Our team have revived social gaming in a fun and friendly way," says Lilley. Zero Latency offers a unique gameplay

experience. Equipped with VR headsets, headphones, military-styled backpacks and a gun (for singularity and zombie survival games), players can move freely in an empty warehouse, but see virtually generated worlds in which the games take place.

"You will cover an average of 1.2km whilst playing, you will burn an average of 200 calories and it's a fun workout," says Lilley.

The Nottingham arena (MeetspaceVR, Intu Victoria Center, Nottingham, NG1 3QN) is open as of Friday, 19th October from 12pm to 10pm on weekdays and 10am to 10pm on weekends.

Tickets can be booked online from £19.95 per person.

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## Train more effectively this winter time

**THE WATTBIKE** has many features that can help improve your training technique.

The unrivalled Wattbike Atom is the most realistic, intelligent and effective indoor bike, essential for perfecting your performance.

Wattbike's technology has been trialled and tested for over 10 years in collaboration with British Olympic Cyclists and world-leading sports scientists, ensuring the most authentic riding experience on the market.



### Beautiful engineering

Slick lines, a black and red colour palette and traditional cycling drop handlebars combine perfectly to make the Atom the centrepiece of your home fitness space. Constructed from tough, lightweight aluminium, the Wattbike Atom is built to withstand the exertion of Wattbike's own elite athletes, professional teams and tribe of fans. It has been designed to endure years of use. The bike is also surprisingly easy to move, with two in-built roller wheels allowing users to tilt and roll into position.

### Dive into the data

Wattbike is known for unparalleled accuracy. Whether you want to become a stronger cyclist throughout the winter, or simply keep fit as the days get shorter, Wattbike Atom is an effective, measurable and fun way to reach your goals.

The accuracy and data available is more detailed than any other home cycle trainer, made better by Wattbike's own unique performance metric: Pedal Effectiveness Score (PES). PES is a live view of how effectively you are pedalling the bike and can be used to improve technique and performance.

### Super smart and connected

The Atom connects to a variety of popular cycling apps, such as the virtual world of Zwift, and has free access to Wattbike's own iOS and Android app, the Wattbike Hub. The Wattbike Hub has multiple pre-loaded workouts and training plans that are designed to work with an individual's level of fitness, to support weight loss, improve performance or even help training for your first 50-mile bike ride.

Wattbike is offering a special deal of £120 worth of free equipment and subscriptions with every Atom purchase. To find out more, visit [wattbike.com/bundle](http://wattbike.com/bundle)



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## Stay in tune with your surroundings

**EMBRACE THE OUTDOORS** with BackBeat FIT 3100 true wireless sport earbuds.

Always Aware™ ear tips allow you to hear your surroundings for safer training in any environment, while the soft, flexible and secure-fit earloops provide comfort and maximum stability.

Sweatproof and waterproof, they're designed to hold up against your most rigorous training sessions - in rain or shine. Listen for up to five hours, and get an extra ten with the charging case. And My Tap, available with the BackBeat app, makes it easy to personalise features, so you can set a timer, stopwatch or select your favourite playlist without losing your focus.

Stay in tune with your surroundings with Always Aware™ eartips.

- Soft, flexible and secure-fit earloops offer comfort and stability
- Enjoy up to five hours of wireless listening between charges
- Charging case stores your earbuds and offers up to ten additional hours of power
- Durable and waterproof IP57-rated earbuds
- New My Tap feature offers customisation through the BackBeat app
- 13.5 mm drivers provide detailed, full-range audio
- Roam freely, with a wireless range of up to ten metres
- Personalise your earbuds with the new My Tap feature, choose your preferred voice prompt language and easily install firmware updates all from the BackBeat app

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