# 386 Dual Vacuum Tube Preamp w/Digital Out





## VISIONARY DESIGN

The Silver Series 386 dual channel tube mic preamp puts the best of both worlds into one affordable package by combining the warmth of the irreplaceable vacuum tube, with the proprietary dbx Type IV™ conversion system. The 386 boasts many of the same features as other products in the Silver Series, such as +48V phantom power, a phase invert switch, and low cut filtering. In addition, the 386 also offers digital output capabilities in both AES/EBU, and S/PDIF formats as standard features.

The high impedance, 1/4" instrument input located on the front panel, as well as the mic/line switch, and 20 dB pad show our dedication to providing convenience in the studio. The 12 segment LED meters provide a visual indication of analog or digital levels at a glance. The rear panel includes both mic and line inputs and outputs, word clock sync input and output, insertion jack and digital outputs. Add selectable sampling rates of 44.1 kHz, 48 kHz, 88.2 kHz, or 96 kHz; selectable dithering and noise shaping; and separate analog and digital output controls to this already impressive list of features, and we think you'll agree that the 386 lives up to the uncompromising standards of dbx Professional Products.

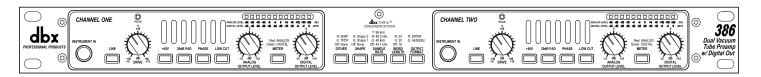
## **FEATURES**

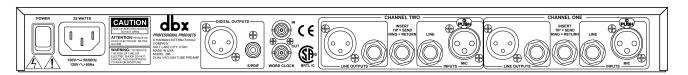
- Two channel tube microphone preamplifier
- Selectable 96 kHz, 88.2 kHz, 48 kHz, or 44.1 kHz sampling rate
- 24, 20, and 16 bit wordlengths
- Selectable dither and noise shaping
- AES/EBU and S/PDIF digital outputs
- Word clock sync input and output
- Separate analog and digital output control
- 200V Tube Plate Voltage
- Front Panel Instrument Input

- Type IV™ conversion system
- 60 dB of gain and +/- 15 dB of output gain
- Selectable mic/line switch
- 48 volt phantom power
- 20 dB pad
- 75 Hz low cut filter
- Phase reverse
- 12 segment LED selectable analog/digital level meter
- Peak Indicator LED

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## **SPECIFICATIONS**

Microphone Input

Connector Type: Impedance: Maximum Input Level:

CMRR: Equivalent Input Noise:

Line Input (Rear Panel)

Connector:

CMRR: Gain (Drive Control)

Type: Impedance: Maximum Input Level: Electronically balanced/unbalanced 20kΩ unbalanced, 40kΩ balanced +21dBu balanced or unbalanced >40dB, Typically 55dB -15dB to +15dB Instrument Input (Front Panel)

Connector:

TS 1/4" Jack Unbalanced 470 kΩ Type: Impedance: Maximum Input Level: +21dBu unbalanced

Insert Connector TRS 1/4" Type: Impedance: Analog Outputs Unbalanced  $100\Omega$ , send  $-20\Omega$  return

Female XLR Pin 2 Hot

40dB, Typically 55dB Typically 120 dBu with a 150 $\Omega$ , source load 20 Hz to 20kHz Bu

TRS 1/4" Jack

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Electronically balanced/unbalanced

-9 dBu or +11 dBu with 20 dB pad

Impedance:
Maximum Output Level:

**Digital Outputs** 

Connectors: Impedance

Input Impedance: Input: Output:

**System Performance** DRIVE Control Range:

LEVEL Control Range

(Analog and Digital): LINE:

Phantom Power: PHASE:

Male XLR Pin 2 Hot and TRS 1/4 Servo-balanced/unbalanced Balanced  $120\Omega$ , unbalanced  $60\Omega$ 

>+21 dBu, >+20 dBm (into a 600Ω

XLR for AES/EBU RCA for S/PDIF 110Ω for AES/EBU 75Ω for S/PDIF

Word Sync Input/Output

Connectors: 75Ω terminated by internal jumper 96, 88.2, 48, or 44.1kHz word clock 96, 88.2, 48, or 44.1kHz word clock

+30dB to +60dB for Mic

-15dB to +15dB for Line and Instrument Inputs

-15dB to +15dB Selects between microphone and line inputs

20dB pad Reverses pins 2 and 3 of the micro-phone input XLR

LOW CUT Frequency Response: THD+Noise:

Interchannel Crosstalk:

**Analog to Digital Conversion** 

Type: Sample Rate: Wordlenath: Dither Type: Noise Shape:

Output Format: Converter Dynamic Range

Power Supply

Operating Voltage:

Power Requirements:

**Physical** 

Weight: 6.89 lbs (3.17kg) Dimensions 1.75" x 7.75" x 19" (4.5cm x 19.7cm

35 Watts

Bandwidth

75Hz, 12dB/octave high pass filter

Typically -80dB, 20Hz to 20kHz

dbx Type IV™ A/D Conversion

24, 20, or 16 bit selectable TPDF, SNR<sup>2</sup>, or none Shape 1, Shape 2, or none S/PDIF or AES/EBU

DO: 120VAC 60Hz. 100VAC 50/60Hz EU: 230VAC 50/60 Hz

System 96, 88.2, 48, or 44.1kHz selectable

107dB typical, A-Weighted, 22kHz

0.35% typical at +4dBu out, 1kHz, 40

<10Hz to 75kHz

Note: 0dBu = -16dFS, 0dBu-0.775Vms

dbx engineers are constantly working to improve the quality of our products. Specifications are, therefore subject to change without notice.

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