

# Arcadia Central Station

Integrated Platform

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## Key Features and Benefits

### Arcadia Central Station

- Combined Wired and Wireless Intercom
- Flexible Dante and Analog Interfacing
- Easy to use CCM™ browser configuration
- Scalable capacity licensing
- Fast front panel color touch screen with tactile encoders for control and configuration
- Plug-and-go with central discovery and pairing

### Capacity

- FreeSpeak Wireless Intercom
  - (10) E1 Transceivers (1.9\*, 2.4 GHz)
  - (16) IP Transceivers (1.9\*, 5 GHz)
  - (40) Beltpacks\*\* (1.9\*, 2.4, 5 GHz)
- HelixNet Wired Intercom
  - (24) Enabled Channels\*\*
  - (64) Endpoints (HRM, HKB, HXII-BP)
- Dante Audio Network Interfaces
  - (64) Dante Ports\*\*

### Configuration

- (128) Licensed Ports\*\*
  - FreeSpeak Beltpack
  - HelixNet Enabled Channel
  - Dante Port
- (100) Channels
- (100) Groups
- (200) Roles for FreeSpeak & HelixNet

### Connectivity

- (8) Four-Wire - 1 for PGM/SA
- (4) 2-Wire - 550mA per pair
- (2) GPI Optically Isolated
- (4) GPO Relay
- (2) FreeSpeak E1 - RJ45/SFP switchable
- (4) LAN - 2 x RJ45, 2 x SFP; Assignable to Management, AES67, HelixNet, Dante Primary and Secondary

Arcadia® Central Station is a scalable IP intercom platform integrating FreeSpeak® wireless and HelixNet® wired intercom user stations with Dante, 2-Wire and 4-Wire interfaces in a compact 1RU device.

## Description

Arcadia Central Station is the centerpiece of a scalable IP networked intercom platform with support for more than 100 wired and wireless intercom user stations of various form factors, frequencies and connectivity. Coupled with Dante and analog interfacing of audio and control, Arcadia is suitable for any infrastructure. Arcadia's compact 1RU form factor is capable of mixing 180 audio signals, features front panel intercom user station, fast and easy setup, configuration and monitoring. With the future-proof ability to grow in capacity and features over time, Arcadia is the ideal intercom system.

## FreeSpeak - Wireless Intercom

Arcadia supports the FreeSpeak family of wireless intercom, including 1.9 GHz, 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz frequency bands which can be concurrently deployed on an Arcadia system\*. FreeSpeak antenna transceivers, connected via E1 CAT/Fiber plug and play cable connections or IP using AES67 capable networks, can be modularly added for coverage and capacity of beltpacks which can seamlessly roam between overlapping transceivers. FreeSpeak beltpacks can have their keys assigned to any Channel, Group or Interface Port on the system. Each FreeSpeak beltpack requires an Arcadia Licensed Port\*\*.

## HelixNet - Wired Partyline Intercom

Arcadia supports the HelixNet wired partyline intercom, including the HRM-4X Remote Station, the HKB-2X Speaker Station and the HXII-BP Beltpack. This is done by selectively enabling channels to be available to the decentralized mixing of intercom and Program Audio in HelixNet Endpoints, providing a high degree of operational elasticity to the Arcadia system. HelixNet user stations connect to Arcadia via an IP network and can have their keysets assigned to any HelixNet Enabled Channel on the Arcadia system. Each HelixNet Enabled Channel requires an Arcadia Licensed Port\*\*.

## Dante, Analog Audio & Control - Interfacing

Arcadia can interface to a variety of audio and intercom systems with audio interface ports assignable to any Channel, Group, FreeSpeak and Arcadia keyset on the system:

- Dante audio network interfaces allow any Dante input or output to connect to Arcadia. Each Dante port requires an Arcadia Licensed Port\*\*.
- 4-Wire provides the ability to connect analog line-level audio inputs and outputs to Arcadia.
- 2-Wire Partyline allows interfacing to existing analog partyline intercom system infrastructures or to add Partyline user stations or interfaces using Arcadia's built in power supply.
- GPIO provides Inputs and Relay Outputs for system control. Inputs allow activation of audio crosspoints while Outputs can be activated upon key presses, audio crosspoints and or call signals configurable in Arcadia's Logic configurator.

\*1.9 GHz beltpack cannot roam between E1 and IPT transceivers. 1.9 GHz E1 and IPT transceivers should not overlap on the same system.

\*\*Requires Arcadia with sufficient number of Licensed Ports.

### Intercom User Station

Arcadia's front panel user station provides four keysets on large, high resolution, color touch screens, assignable to any Channel, Group, FreeSpeak beltpack, Program Audio or Stage Announce on the Arcadia system. The user station is provisioned with a headset connection, gooseneck mic connector and a loudspeaker in addition to All Call, Stage Announce and Remote Mic Kill.

### System Configuration

Arcadia front panel menus provide the ability to configure the basic system configuration using an interface consisting of the easy to navigate color touch screens coupled with tactile rotary encoders and buttons. With the front panel, wireless beltpacks and transceivers can be added to the system, 2-Wire connections can be nulled and network addresses configured.

Arcadia's Core Configuration Manager™ (CCM) is an integrated, browser-based configuration utility enabling rapid setup, configuration and monitoring. The intuitive user interface has a consistent design for a quick and simple means of configuring an Arcadia based intercom system.

### Licensed Ports - Scalable Capacity

Arcadia is a powerful hardware platform which allows capacity to be activated as customer requirements grow or features are developed for this dynamic platform. Arcadia's flexible licensing options allow right-sizing of the system required via Licensed Port Capacity. As the need for greater capacity grows or a new feature is needed, field deployable Licensed Port Upgrades can be used to increase Arcadia's intercom footprint.

## Technical Specifications

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#### Dante Audio Network Interfaces

- (64) Dante Ports\*\*

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### Licenses

- Delivery:** License Ticket, may include multiple licenses
- License Host:** Arcadia
- Activation:** Via CCM, Online (recommended) or Offline
- Transferable:** No, fixed to Arcadia
- Recovery:** Yes, by Clear-Com Support or Service Center

#### Permanent Licenses

- Part number:** ARCADIA-16P-LIC
- Capability:** Additional 16 Licensed Port Upgrade Option
- Validity:** Perpetuity. Does not expire

**Note:** Licensed Port capacity is ordered with Arcadia. ARCADIA-16P-LIC allows upgrades of Arcadia capacity in the field.

### Connectors

- Headset:** 4-pin XLR-M (X4), 5-pin XLR-F (X5)
- Gooseneck Microphone:** ¼" TRS Threaded
- 2-Wire I/O:** (4) XLR-3F
- 4-Wire I/O:** (8) RJ45
  - Audio Crossover Mode:** Software selectable
  - Special use of Port #8 using provided cable;
  - Program input/ Stage output:** XLR-3F, XLR-3M
- GPIO:** (2) DB9F
- FreeSpeakII E1 TCVR/SPL Ports:** 2 x RJ45, 2 x SFP (RJ45 or SFP)
- FSII DECT Synchronization:** 2 x RJ45 (Input and Output)
- LAN:** 2 x RJ45, 2 x SFP (Function assignable)
- AC Power Connector:** IEC-C14
- DC Power Connector:** KPJX-4S-S
- Grounding Screw:** Terminal

**Note:** While mechanically identical, SFPs are designed with different properties for data rates, power and fiber cable type. Please refer to the Clear-Com [SFP Compatibility Chart](#) for compatible SFP transceivers.

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\*\*Requires Arcadia with sufficient number of Licensed Ports.

### Controls and Indicators

#### Front Panel:

- (2) 480 x 128 color TFT LED Touch Screen Displays
- (2) Power Supply Status LED
- (1) Mic mute button
- (1) Headset/Gooseneck Mic Input Select button
- (1) Menu Access Button
- (1) FN Button - For future use
- (4) Encoders for Menu & Level Control
- (1) Reset button - for service use only
- (1) Speaker Mute LED
- (1) Main Listen Level LEDs

#### Rear Panel:

- (2) LAN RJ45 Link/Activity LEDs
- (2) FSII E1 TCVR RJ45 Link/Activity LEDs
- (4) 2-Wire Power Indicator LEDs

### Microphone Input

- Input Type:** Dynamic/Electret - Selectable
- Headset Mic Voltage:** 5V
- Input Level (nominal):** -45dBu
- Input Level (max):** -10dBu
- Frequency Response:** 200Hz to 12kHz  $\pm$ 3dB
- Mic Limiter Threshold:** -35dBu  $\pm$ 3dB
- Mic Limiter Range:**  $\geq$  20dB

### Loudspeaker and Amplifier

- Speaker:** 1.6 x 2.8"
- Load:** 4 $\Omega$
- Max Speaker Level:** 87dB  $\pm$  2dB SPL A at 3ft/1m
- Frequency Response:** 100Hz - 10kHz
- Max Output Level before 1% Distortion:** 18dBu  $\pm$  2dB
- Total Harmonic Distortion (THD):** < 0.5% THD at 1kHz

### 4-Wire Line Level Interfaces:

Transformer balanced input and output

#### Input:

- Nominal Level:** 0dBu (selectable)
- Maximum Level:** +18dBu
- Frequency Response:** 80Hz to 20kHz  $\pm$ 3dB
- Impedance:**  $\geq$  10K $\Omega$

#### Output:

- Nominal Level:** 0dBu (selectable)
- Maximum Level:** +18dBu
- Frequency Response:** 80Hz to 20kHz  $\pm$ 3dB
- Impedance:** 200 $\Omega$  + 10%

### 2-Wire Partyline Interfaces

Unbalanced High-Impedance bridging

**Compatibility:** Clear-Com, RTS-TW with Call and Remote Mic Kill

**Termination:** Optional per pair (A/B or C/D)

**Nulling:** User initiated Auto-Calibration

**Null Depth:** >60dB at 1kHz

**Nominal Level:** -18dBu (CC), -12dBu (RTS-TW)

**Headroom:** 18dB

**Frequency Response:** 200Hz to 12kHz.  $\pm 3$ dB

**Impedance:**  $\geq 10K\Omega$  bridging

**Total Harmonic Distortion (THD):** < 0.1% THD @ 1 kHz

**Power:** 560mA optional per pair (A/B or C/D)

**Voltage:** 25-28V DC

Use [Encore Partyline Power Calculator](#) to validate power requirements of the analog partyline intercom system

### Frequency Response

**Headset Mic:** 200Hz to 12kHz

**Gooseneck Mic:** 200Hz to 12kHz

**Speaker:** 100Hz to 10kHz

**Freespeak Edge:** 200Hz - 12kHz

**Freespeak II:** 200Hz - 7.1kHz

**HelixNet:** 200Hz - 10kHz

**2-Wire:** 200Hz to 12kHz

**4-Wire:** 80Hz to 20kHz

**Dante:** 20Hz to 20kHz

### Logic Inputs - GPI

Assignable to activation of audio crosspoints

**Input:** 2

**Style:** Optically isolated

**Input Voltage Range:** 4 - 30V DC or AC

**Input Current:**  $\geq 1.2$ mA required

### Logic Outputs - GPO/Relay

Assignable to talk, call keys and audio crosspoints

**Outputs:** 4

**Style:** SPDT / Power Relay

**Normalized:** Open or Closed, separate pins

**Switching Voltage (Max):** 30V DC

**Switching Current (Max):** 1A

### Power

**AC Internal Power Supply:**

**Input Frequency Range:** 100 - 240V AC

**Input Frequency Range:** 50 - 60Hz

**Input Power (Max):** 160W

**BTU (Max):** 545BTU/h

**Input Power Connector:** IEC-C14

**DC Power Input:**

**Voltage:** 12V DC  $\pm 5\%$

**Current (Max):** 12A

**Power (Max):** 144W

**BTU (Max):** 491BTU/hr

**Input Power Connector:** KPJX-4S-S

This unit can be powered via DC input using:

**AC Adapter - Inline:**

**Type:** PSU-EXT-001 (supplied)

**Mounting Bracket:** 272G048 (optional)

**Input Voltage Range:** 100 - 240V AC

**Input Frequency Range:** 50 - 60Hz

**Input Power Connector:** IEC-C14

**Output Voltage:** 12V DC  $\pm 5\%$

**Output Current (Max):** 12.5A

**Output Power (Max):** 150W

**Output Power Connector:** KPPX-4-P

### Environmental

**Operating:** 32° to 113°F (0° to 45°C)

**Storage:** -22° to 158°F (-30° to 70°C)

**Humidity:** 20-90% Non-Condensing

### Dimensions

1RU

19 x 1.7 x 13.9in (WxHxD)

(482.6 x 43.2 x 353.1mm)

### Weight

7.3lbs (3.3kg)

### Network Specifications (Firmware Version 2+)

Arcadia includes 4 physical LAN connections (2 x RJ45, 2 x SFP) which can be assigned to different functions. This allows various network setups, from converged to having physically separate network per function.

#### Administration

For CCM Management, Control and License Activation

#### Network Protocols

Ethernet IPv4–Unicast Control  
mDNS–Multicast Device Discovery  
HTTP–Management  
HTTPS–Secured Management  
NTP–Network Time Protocol

#### Network Ports

##### Unicast:

Port 80 TCP–Web Interface, System Management  
Port 123 UDP–Time Stamps for Service Logs  
Port 443 TCP - Secured Web interface, System Management  
Port 22350 TCP – Online License Activation

#### Network Parameters

**MAC Address Prefix:** 00:0e:98:....

**Link-Local Default IP Address Range:** 169.254.0.0/16

#### System Reserved IP Ranges:

10.0.0.0-7 Internal Systems  
127.0.0.0/8 Local Host  
169.254.0.0/16 Link Local  
172.23.0.0/16 Link Group  
224 -239.0.0.0/8 Multicast  
Above addresses cannot be assigned.

**Restrictions:** Do not plug any two physical LAN ports on Arcadia into the same network/ VLAN. This can create a network loop affecting IP stability.

#### Recommended Ethernet Switches:

- Managed Ethernet Switch – Layer 3
- 100/1000 Base-T Ports
- 1000 Base IP Switch Trunks
- QoS Configuration
- Energy Efficient Ethernet bypass option
- IGMP Snooping options

#### AES67

For FreeSpeak IP Transceivers

#### Network Protocols

Ethernet IPv4–Unicast Audio & Control  
mDNS–Multicast Device Discovery  
Layer 3 routable with limitations  
HTTP–Management  
PCM–Audio Codec to TCVR  
DiffServ–QoS  
PTPv2–Synchronization  
SAP–Session Announce Protocol  
RTSP–Real Time Streaming Protocol

#### Network Ports

##### Unicast:

Port 80 TCP–Web Interface for service  
Port 6001 UDP–Control

##### Multicast:

Port 15000 – 15256 UDP – Audio  
Port 5353 UDP–mDNS, Names, Discovery, Pairing

#### Network Parameters

**FS IP TCVR Endpoint Support:** 16

#### Bandwidth:

**FS II IPT TCVR:** ~7 Mbps (max) each  
**FS Edge TCVR:** ~ 9.6Mbps (max) each

**Network Jitter Tolerance:** < 1μs required for RF Synchronization

#### QoS Tags:

**Clock:** DSCP=46, Expedited Forwarding (EF)  
**Media:** DSCP=41, Assured Forwarding (AF)  
**Management:** DSCP=0, Best Effort (DF)

#### PTP Parameters:

**PTP domain:** 0  
**Priority 1:** 127  
**Priority 2:** 128  
**Announce interval:** 1/2s  
**Sync rate:** 8/s

**IGMP:** Enabled

**Multicast:** Enabled

**MAC Address Prefix:** 00:0e:98:....

**Link-Local Default IP Address Range:** 169.254.0.0/16

#### System Reserved IP Ranges:

10.0.0.0-7 Internal Systems  
127.0.0.0/8 Local Host  
169.254.0.0/16 Link Local  
172.23.0.0/16 Link Group  
224 -239.0.0.0/8 Multicast  
Above addresses cannot be assigned.

**Restrictions:** Cannot be combined with Dante.  
Cannot be on Management subnet unless on same physical LAN port.

**Further Details:** Refer to the [AES67 Network Recommendations](#) for further information.

### HelixNet

For Networked Partyline Intercom

#### Network Protocols

Ethernet IPv4–Unicast Audio & Control  
mDNS–Multicast Device Discovery  
Layer 3 routable with mDNS function limitations  
HTTP–Management  
TFTP–File Transport Protocol  
NTP–Network Time Protocol  
RTP–Audio Transport  
WavPack–Audio Codec

#### Network Ports

##### Unicast:

Port 69 UDP–Firmware File Server  
Port 80 TCP–Web Interface, System Management, Expansion  
Port 123 UDP–Time Stamps for Service Logs  
Port 6001 TCP–System Management  
Port 6001 UDP–Audio Streams

##### Multicast:

Port 5353 UDP–mDNS, Names, Discovery, Pairing, Expansion  
Optional for device names and pairing Mandatory for HRM Expansion

#### Network Parameters

**HelixNet Endpoint Support:** 64

##### Bandwidth:

300-600 (max) kbps from each endpoint audio input to Arcadia  
1200-2400 (max) kbps from Arcadia to each endpoint audio output

**Network Jitter Tolerance:** <= 128ms jitter buffer per audio stream receiver automatically adjusted to network performance

**QoS Tags:** DSCP=41, Assured Forwarding (AF)

**MAC Address Prefix:** 00:0e:98:....

**Link-Local Default IP Address Range:** 169.254.0.0/16

##### System Reserved IP Ranges:

10.0.0.0-7 Internal Systems  
127.0.0.0/8 Local Host  
169.254.0.0/16 Link Local  
172.23.0.0/16 Link Group  
224 -239.0.0.0/8 Multicast  
Above addresses cannot be assigned

**Restrictions:** Possible combinations on physical LAN ports is pending a future Arcadia release. Contact Clear-Com.

**Further Details:** Refer to the [HelixNet Network Guide](#) for further information

### Dante (Firmware Version 4.2)

For 3rd Party Audio Networking

#### Network Protocols

Ethernet IPv4–Unicast/Multicast Audio & Control  
mDNS–Multicast Device Discovery  
PCM–Audio Codec  
DiffServ–QoS  
PTPv1 – Synchronization  
SAP–Session Announce Protocol  
RTP–Real Time Protocol for AES67

#### Network Ports

##### Unicast:

Ports 14336-14591 UDP–Audio  
Port 4440 UDP–Audio Control  
Port 4444 UDP–Audio Control  
Port 4455 UDP–Audio Control  
Port 8751 UDP–Dante Controller  
Port 8800 UDP–Control & Monitoring

##### Multicast:

IP 224.0.0.251 Port 5353 UDP–mDNS, Names, Discovery  
IP 224.0.1.129-132 Ports 319-320 UDP–PTP  
IP 239.254.3.3 Port 9998 UDP–PTP  
IP 239.255.0.0/16 Port 4321 UDP–Audio  
IP 224.0.0.230-233 Ports 8700-8708 UDP–Control  
IP 239.69/16 Port 5004 UDP (default) –RTP/AES67 Audio  
IP 239.255.255.255 Port 9875 UDP–AES67 Discovery

#### Network Parameters

**Audio:** 24 bit, Linear, 48kHz

##### Bandwidth:

6 Mbps per 4 channel unicast flow  
1.5 Mbps per multicast channel

**Network Jitter Tolerance:** Dependent on Dante latency configuration

##### QoS Tags:

**Clock:** DSCP=56, Control (CS7)  
**Media/Clock:** DSCP=46, Expedited Forwarding (EF)  
**Other:** DSCP=0, Best Effort (DF)

**IGMP:** Enabled for multicast use

**Multicast:** Enabled for multicast use

##### Link-Local Default IP Address Range:

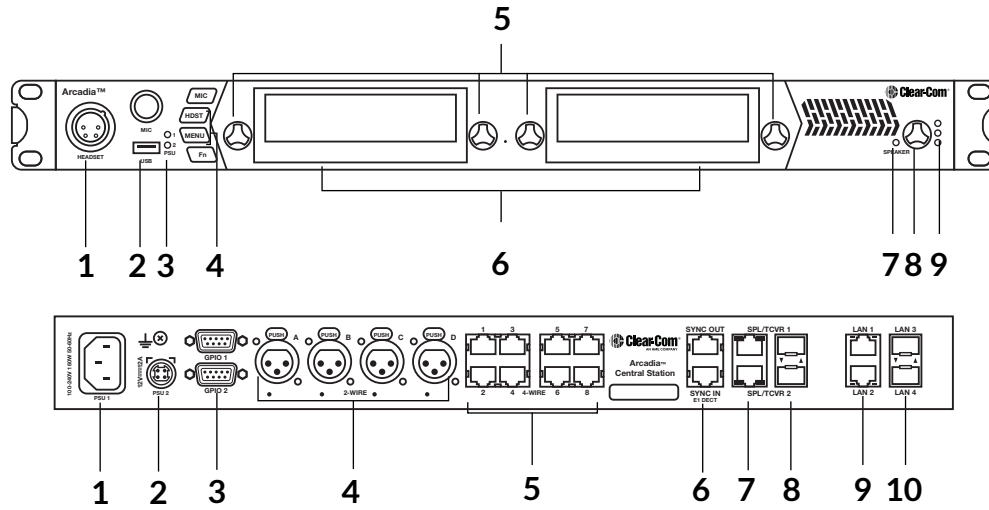
169.254.0.0/16 Primary  
172.32.0.0/16 Secondary

##### Restrictions:

Cannot be combined with AES67.  
Primary and Secondary cannot be assigned to same physical LAN port.

##### Further Details:

Refer to documentation from [Audinate](#) for further information.



### Legend

#### Front

1. XLR Headset Connector
  - 4-pin XLR-M (Arcadia-X4 only)
  - 5-pin XLR-F (Arcadia-X5 only)
2. USB A
3. PSU LED indicators
4. Microphone, Headset, Menu and Function keys
5. Rotary encoders
6. Touchscreen displays
7. Speaker mute LED
8. Main volume encoder
9. Main volume level LEDs

#### Rear

1. Power Input - AC
2. Power Input - DC
3. GPIO
4. 2-Wire ports
5. 4-Wire ports
6. DECT sync in & out
7. FSII E1 TCVR/SPL RJ45
8. FSII E1 SPL Fiber SFP
9. LAN ports
10. LAN SFP ports

### Order Codes

#### Arcadia with 4-pin Headset Connector

- ARCADIA-X4-32P
- ARCADIA-X4-48P
- ARCADIA-X4-64P
- ARCADIA-X4-80P
- ARCADIA-X4-96P
- ARCADIA-X4-112P
- ARCADIA-X4-128P

#### Arcadia with 5-pin Headset Connector

- ARCADIA-X5-32P
- ARCADIA-X5-48P
- ARCADIA-X5-64P
- ARCADIA-X5-80P
- ARCADIA-X5-96P
- ARCADIA-X5-112P
- ARCADIA-X5-128P

#### Licensed Port Upgrades

- ARCADIA-16P-LIC

#### Includes:

- (1) Four-Wire PGM/SA Breakout Cable (CAB-RJ45-PGM-SA)
- (1) External PSU (PSU-EXT-001)



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