



# WET WORLD

Pouring water over your television is not generally recommended. At CEDIA Expo on the Gold Coast, however, a flood of waterproof TVs were enjoying a good hosing down.

The appropriately-named Oceanic Distribution previewed the Helsyn waterproof LCD TV (bottom TV, right), available in 19-inch and 32-inch models at \$2099 and \$4399 respectively. The stylish design can be mirror finished, so you can admire yourself when it's off and the 1368 x 768 image when it's on. The Helsyn is designed to wallmount or flushmount, being sealed to both front and rear to IP67 (the last figure indicates the level of water resistance). It comes with internal digital tuners, waterproof internal speakers, and a learning remote control. More info: [www.oceanicdistribution.com](http://www.oceanicdistribution.com)

AMC's i-T15 is not only water-resistant but also Wi-Fi to a range of around 30 metres, receiving its video and audio from a base station that can support multiple inputs and, indeed, broadcast to multiple AMC TVs. The relatively dinky 15.4-inch set (centre) includes an embedded rechargeable battery should you wish to avail yourself of its portability, while the screen has resolution of 1280 x 800 pixels. RRP is \$2500. More info: [www.hifivideomarketing.com.au](http://www.hifivideomarketing.com.au)

Should you be in bright sunlight as well as wet conditions, Herma has not only a huge range of iizel brand water-resistant and even underwater models from 32-inch HD to 70-inch full-HD, but also the cunning Sunbrite range, with prices starting from \$4500. These combat direct sunlight by allowing some light to pass between the pixels of the screen to a reflective layer behind, from which it is reflected as increased backlighting, with colour and contrast electronically adjusted to compensate. So the higher the external light, the brighter the screen will be. Clever. More info: [www.herma.com.au](http://www.herma.com.au)



#### SPLASHABLE SCREENS

Top: Herma offers iizel waterproof screens and special Sunbrite sets which resist bright outdoor conditions by reflecting daylight back to the viewer as LCD backlight;

Centre: AMC's neat portable Wi-Fi TV;

Right: the stylish Helsyn waterproof TV comes in 19-inch and 32-inch varieties

## Teardrop TV towers

Audica produces speaker and electronics solutions for professional audio installations, as well as being the proud manufacturer of some snazzy-looking consumer surround packages. At CEDIA Expo, the brand's Australian distributor, aztrading, was demonstrating the UK company's new CX Series (left), resplendent in teardrop curved cabinets and gloss finish. And we can vouch for their dynamics as we were knocked backwards by a shotgun blast when we were examining the curves of its CX-LCR centre, which is joined by the slim CX-T tower speakers, CX-S satellites and the 200W CX-Sub digital subwoofer, making a full system priced at \$3799 (a 5.1 LCR-based system starts at \$2499).

LEFT: Audica's slim CX-T tower speakers; RIGHT: the Audica MPS-1 Personal Audio System for iPod and more

Audica also produces the \$1499 AVR-1 DVD receiver, driving a full 5.1-channel system with 60W per channel, FM/AM tuner and DVD HDMI output scaling to 1080i. Also at CEDIA were the CS-series (5.1 speaker system with tower speakers and active sub for \$2999), and the neat little MPS-1 Personal Audio System, RRP \$599.

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