Shure KSM Studio Microphones



Shure, a manufacturer of audio solutions known for quality, performance, and durability, unveiled its new KSM condenser microphone line today -the KSM32C, KSM40C, and KSM44MP - at NAMM 2026. The new KSM series delivers lifelike fidelity and a thoughtfully engineered design, crafted for musicians and studio professionals.

Shure KSM microphones have delivered exceptional audio quality for decades. With the launch of new models, the KSM line once again sets the benchmark for professional recording by providing premium, true-to-life audio capture and ultra-low self-noise, all within a sleek, modern design.

The KSM line captures every nuance, from the warmth of vocals to the dynamic energy of instruments, with stunning realism. Each model features precision-engineered capsules for maximum control and accuracy, ensuring the source sounds exactly as intended. Whether you're a musician or engineer needing transparent voicing for natural reproduction, rich low-end presence, or multi-pattern flexibility, there’s a KSM microphone ready to elevate any session.

“At Shure, our mission has always been to empower audio professionals and artists with quality tools that deliver uncompromising sound,” said Eduardo Valdes, Associate Vice President of Global Marketing and Product Management, at Shure. “The new KSM microphone line reflects this commitment by offering upgrades to both design and engineering, meeting the evolving needs of recording studios. Featuring circuitry upgrades from previous models, varied capsule options, and

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premium accessories, we designed every detail to help professionals capture precisely what they want. By making boutique-level quality attainable for both home and professional studios, we’re ensuring exceptional performance is within reach for all professionals."

Built for precision and performance, the new line includes a range of expertly engineered and hand-crafted capsules, from compact ¾" to robust 1" designs, offering exceptional off-axis rejection, clarity, and creative flexibility for vocals, instruments, ensembles, and beyond. Thoughtful details like lightweight, all-metal construction, advanced shock mounts, and curved magnetic pop filters ensure durability and ease of use, while premium accessory options complete the professional package.

The KSM32C is a large diaphragm condenser microphone that delivers a smooth, balanced response and exceptional low-frequency performance. This microphone is ideal for vocals, instruments, drum overheads, and ensemble work, and is available in a stage and studio bundle.

Features of the KSM32C:

- Precision engineered ¾" capsule
- Exceptional off-axis rejection
- Flattest voicing in the KSM line
- Exceptional flexibility for vocal and instrument recording
- Premium materials and compact design

The KSM40C is a versatile, large diaphragm condenser microphone that delivers natural, detailed audio with enhanced proximity effect and natural high-frequency boost. An ideal microphone for capturing rich nuances in vocals and instruments, including upright bass, guitar amps and kick drum.

Features of the KSM40C:

- 1” capsule delivers natural, detailed audio with rich low-end
- Uniform cardioid polar pattern for predictable placement
- Extremely low self-noise
- Sleek, modern design with premium materials

The KSM44MP offers unparalleled versatility in a sleek, dual-diaphragm design that maximizes sensitivity and stabilizes pattern consistency, improving off-axis control at low frequencies. A multi-pattern microphone with natural clarity and smooth, airy detail, this mic is ideal for vocals, pianos, stereo techniques, distant miking, and ensembles.

Features of the KSM44MP:

- Selectable polar patterns: Cardioid, Omnidirectional, and Bidirectional

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- Flat response with subtle high-frequency emphasis
- Optimized polar consistency and low-frequency rejection
- Ultra-low self noise
- Sleek, modern design

“The new KSM microphones look elegant, and have great, low-profile appearance, which is always a nice aesthetic in the studio (and live) environment,” said Greg Norman, Engineer, Electrical Audio. “One of the most immediately striking features is their impossibly low self-noise, so low, in fact, that while tracking a very quiet vocal, I found myself double-checking to confirm the mic was even active. This level of noise performance is seriously impressive.”

What’s included:

- KSM32C/HM: Cardioid Condenser Microphone (Stage Kit) ($659): Includes a KSM32C Cardioid Condenser Microphone, Premium Flocked Foam Windscreen, Premium Zippered Carrying Case, Swivel-Mount Mic Clamp (Hard Mount), Threaded Adapter
- KSM32C/SM: Cardioid Condenser Microphone (Studio Kit) ($729): Includes a KSM32C Cardioid Condenser Microphone, Shock Mount, Magnetic Pop Filter, Premium Zippered Carrying Case, Set Replacement Shock Mount Bands (8), Threaded Adapter
- KSM40C Large Diaphragm Cardioid Condenser Microphone ($879): Includes a KSM40C Large Diaphragm Condenser Microphone, Shock Mount, Magnetic Pop Filter, Premium Zippered Carrying Case, Set Replacement Shock Mount Bands (8), Threaded Adapter
- KSM44MP Large Diaphragm Multi-Pattern Condenser Microphone ($1,099): Includes a KSM44MP Dual Diaphragm Multi-Pattern Condenser Microphone, Shock Mount, Magnetic Pop Filter, Premium Zippered Carrying Case, Swivel-Mount Mic Clamp (Hard Mount), Set Replacement Shock Mount Bands (8), Threaded Adapter

The KSM line will be available this spring and is on display at the Shure Booth (#15608) at NAMM 2026 in Anaheim (January 22- January 24).

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