

608 DESIGN

COMBINING CLASSIC BEAUTY

The 608 Series Designer Console Piano



608 Royal Queen Anne Mahogany

The 608 Series Designer Console Pianos are the product of superb craftsmanship both in and out. They are, above all, musical instruments of exceptional caliber. A soundboard of select solid spruce and a sturdy back assembly (with five laminated back posts) establish an excellent foundation for superb tone and long-term tuning stability. Our exclusive Ultra-Responsive Direct Blow action, regarded by many as the most precise upright piano action in the world, provides a consistent touch that is unsurpassed.

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608 Classic Spanish Oak

One look will convince you that their musical excellence did not come about at the cost of style. With three elegant models, the 608 Series offers a pleasing assortment of beautiful instruments to complement any home or decor.

We invite you to experience the 608 Series Designer Console Pianos and see why they are considered an ideal blend of beauty and performance.

THE PIANOS

STYLISH PIANO FOR THE HOME.

As much as the music will delight the ears.



608 French Provincial Cherry

SPECIFICATIONS

Height:	44 5/8"	Soundboard Material:	Solid Spruce
Width:	59 3/4" Spanish Oak	Soundboard Area	2015 sq. in.
	61 3/8" French Provincial	Soundboard Ribs	9
	60 1/2" Royal Queen Anne	Pinblock Material	Hard Maple
Depth:	25 3/4" Spanish Oak	Tuning Pins	Nickel
	26 5/8" French Provincial	#1 String Length	44 1/8"
	26 1/8" Royal Queen Anne	Back Posts	5
Weight:	443 lbs.	Center Pedal	Practice
		Fallboard Style	Slow-Fall

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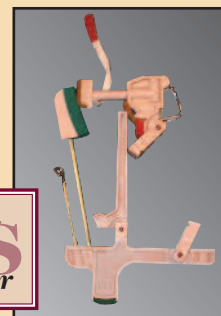
THE WORLD'S MOST PRECISE PIANO UPRIGHT ACTION



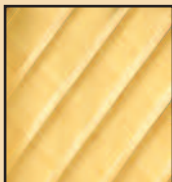
The 608 Designer Consoles feature our exclusive Ultra-Responsive™ Direct Blow action that offers extraordinary feel and touch. Hammer heads are made with 100% wool felt. Hammer shanks and mouldings are made with top-quality maple. To make the action resistant to climatic and seasonal changes in temperature and humidity, we pioneered the use of aluminum action rails, aluminum hammer rest rails and precision parts made of extremely stable, low-friction ABS Styran.

EXCLUSIVE ABS STYRAN ACTION PARTS

The innovative use of ABS Styran in all our piano actions is one of the chief reasons why a Kawai piano will maintain stable touch and tone over time better than other pianos. Endorsed by leading piano technicians and proven superior in scientific tests, ABS Styran is supported by over thirty years of proven reliability in Kawai pianos.



SOUNDBOARD AND RIBS



The most important sound-producing parts of a piano are the soundboard and ribs. The choice of materials and the manner in which they are assembled can greatly affect volume and tone quality. Our wood technologists select only the finest spruce to ensure exceptional dynamic range and superb tone across the entire spectrum of sound. The 608 Designer Consoles boast an exceptionally large soundboard area (2,015 sq. in.) for greater tonal power and resonance.

BACK POSTS

Back posts support the plate and help maintain its structural integrity over the life of the piano. Our laminated back post construction is designed for maximum rigidity to provide enhanced tuning stability for decades of reliable performance.



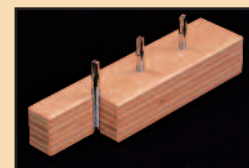
"MATCHED STRENGTH" PLATE DESIGN



The cast iron plate of an upright piano is subjected to as much as 20 tons of string tension. To enable our plates to withstand this tremendous stress, we use state-of-the-art CAD technology to match the strength and natural tonal resonances of the plate to the requirements of the scale design. The proper combination of plate design, back post structure, and string tension provides an extraordinary foundation for outstanding tone.

PINBLOCKS

A pinblock must be constructed and finished to the highest quality standards to ensure maximum tuning stability. At Kawai, we make our pinblocks from the finest hard rock maple and utilize machine-cut thread, reverse-torque tuning pins for easy tuning.



STEEL FRAME KEYBED



The steel frame keybed on the 608 Designer Consoles is tremendously strong and stable. Because steel resists shrinking, swelling and warping due to changes in climate, the 608 keybed provides an excellent foundation for the action assembly that will remain consistent over many years of performance.

THE KAWAI 608... High Performance and Style

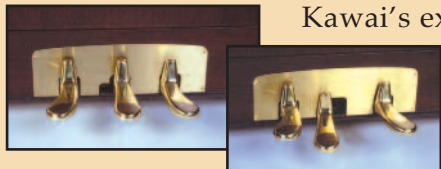
LONGER KEY STICKS

The 608 cabinet is built with added depth to accommodate a longer key length for better control. The extended keys offer greater leverage at every point of the playing surface for a more even, controlled touch.



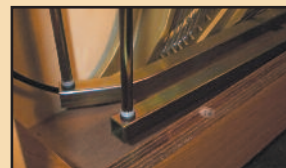
CAST BRASS PEDALS

Kawai's exclusive Cast Brass Pedals are extremely resilient. Made with a permanently bonded brass finish over a die-cast aluminum core, Kawai Cast Brass Pedals are significantly stronger and more durable than traditional "capped" upright piano pedals. The center pedal activates the mute rail for quiet practice playing.



SQUARE-TUBE PEDAL LEVERS

Square-tube steel pedal levers are stronger than traditional round levers. Plus, the square design provides a flat surface for pedal wingnuts to reduce the possibility of noise when the pedals are depressed.



TEN YEAR FULL WARRANTY

To ensure your peace of mind and protect the value of your investment, every Kawai upright piano is covered by our Ten Year Fully Transferable Warranty. This warranty is the seal of Kawai craftsmanship... and the assurance of your satisfaction for many years to come.



A Never-Ending Quest For Perfection



KOICHI KAWAI
Founder (1886-1955)
Inventor, Master Builder



SHIGERU KAWAI
Chairman Emeritus
Pursuing excellence at
Kawai for over fifty years.



HIROTAKA KAWAI
President
Continuing the pursuit
of perfection.

There is no more compelling reason to build an exceptional piano than one's own name on the instrument. For three generations, the Kawai family has blended knowledge, skill, technology and heart... in the quest to perfect the art of the piano.

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