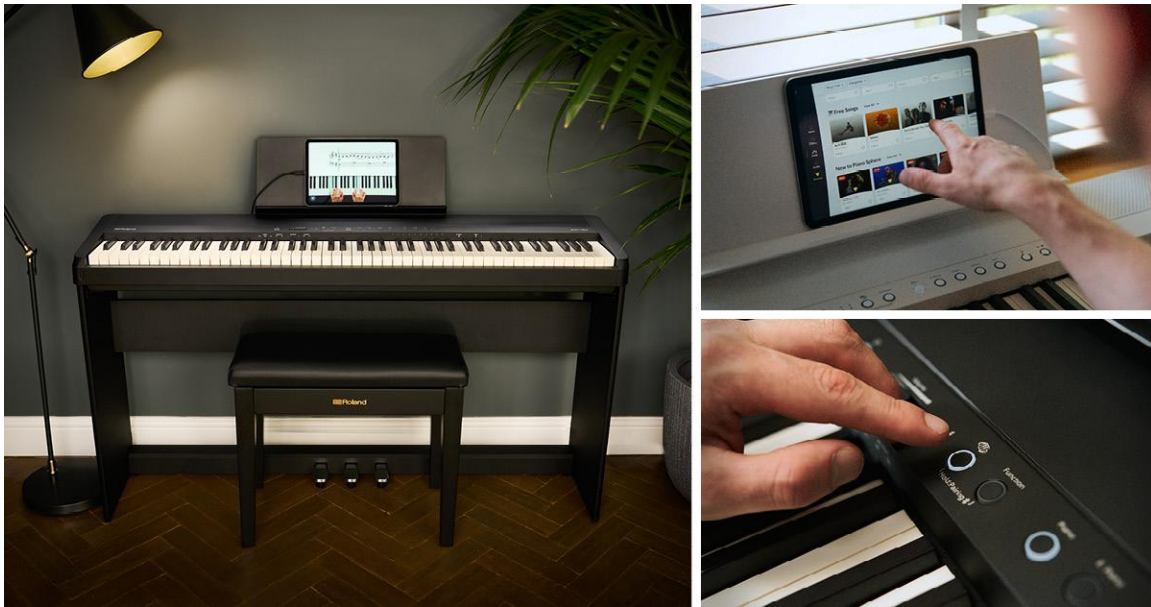




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Roland Unveils FP-40 Digital Piano and Piano Sphere App



Roland's First Piano with Onboard Wi-Fi Motivates Users to Play Their Favorite Songs and Enjoy the Piano More than Ever

Los Angeles, CA, September 1, 2026 — [Roland](#) announces the [FP-40 Digital Piano](#) and [Piano Sphere](#), a groundbreaking unified system that encourages returning players and hobbyists to enjoy the piano more. The FP-40 is the latest model in the long-running FP series, offering acclaimed Roland playability and features in an elegant portable instrument. Developed with Skoove—creators of a learning method trusted by more than three million piano players worldwide—the free Piano Sphere app offers guidance, real-time feedback, and a rich library of popular songs and high-quality courses to keep users engaged with playing and progressing every day.

The FP-40 is Roland's first piano with built-in Wi-Fi, forwarding the company's strategy of producing cutting-edge instruments that allow musicians to easily connect to the internet and enrich their creative experiences with apps and online content. Rather than simply pairing a piano with a learning app, Roland has created a complete ecosystem that encourages players to discover new music, build confidence, and maintain momentum over time. In addition, the system software for the piano and app is updated wirelessly, ensuring they're always up to date with the latest content and features.

“We are delighted to announce the launch of the FP-40 and Piano Sphere,” said Masahiro Minowa, CEO and Representative Director of Roland Corporation. “In our new midterm management plan, which began in 2026, we have positioned ‘Direct Connect’ as one of our key growth strategies. This concept goes beyond simply connecting electronic musical instruments to AI and network technologies. It reflects our commitment to connecting directly with every customer and supporting their individual musical journeys.

“The FP-40 and Piano Sphere are initiatives that bring this strategy to life, delivering new and unprecedented value through innovative musical experiences. From inspiring people to begin playing, to helping them experience the joy of improvement, and enabling them to enjoy music for years to come, these products support every stage of the musical journey. They also open new possibilities for those who may have previously felt barriers to learning or playing an instrument. Through continued innovation, Roland remains committed to expanding the joy of music in people’s lives and pursuing our longstanding vision: ‘We Design the Future.’”

FP-40 Digital Piano

Combining expressive sound and superior playability with a dynamic onboard speaker system, the FP-40 keeps players connected to every note. The compact and stylish cabinet design smoothly blends into any room in the home without taking over the space, making it easy to enjoy a rich and rewarding piano experience.

Inspired by the technology in Roland’s flagship GP series grand pianos, the FP-40’s Piano Reality Sound Engine captures the depth, detail, and tonal character of an acoustic piano. The PHA-4 Standard keyboard combines fully weighted hammer action, escapement, and Ivory Feel keys with a triple-sensor system for exceptional responsiveness and natural expression, providing a solid foundation for skill development and growth.

An enhanced speaker system with a newly designed internal layout delivers clear, spacious sound with increased depth and richness in the low register. This allows users to hear more of their playing, from delicate details to powerful, expressive dynamics.

Onboard Wi-Fi and Bluetooth for a More Connected Experience

The inclusion of Wi-Fi connectivity in the FP-40 enriches the user experience in many important ways. After the initial setup, the piano automatically communicates with the user’s wireless home network, just like computers and other modern smart devices.

Connection to Piano Sphere is seamless, providing instant access to popular songs, courses, and skill-development tools every time the instrument is powered on. Players are rewarded for maintaining their playing habits, turning regular practice into an enjoyable, motivating experience they look forward to every day. Playing history is automatically recorded without launching the app, allowing users to review and celebrate their entire piano journey anytime.

Another major benefit of Wi-Fi is that the piano continues to improve after purchase. Rather than being a static product, the FP-40 will continuously evolve with new services, feature enhancements, and ecosystem integrations that enrich the user’s piano experience over time.

The FP-40 also includes built-in Bluetooth, making it easy to stream songs and other audio content from a mobile device through the piano's speaker system and play along. And with the free Roland Piano App, users can personalize sounds and access FP-40 features not available from the front panel.

Roland Piano Sphere App, Powered by Skoove

Perfect for players of every skill level, Piano Sphere is an exclusive companion to the FP-40 that keeps players on track with immediate, integrated feedback and exciting content. The Skoove learning method at the heart of the app was designed by professional instructors, offering a fun approach that encourages users to start with the music they love and let progress follow. Together, the FP-40 and Piano Sphere create the ultimate piano experience and a better way to play.

Piano Sphere includes 100 licensed and copyright-free songs spanning pop, classical, and everything in between, featuring selections by Coldplay, Harry Styles, and other well-known artists. As their skills grow, users can upgrade the app to access over 1000 songs and lessons.

There's no one right way to learn, and every player is unique. Piano Sphere creates personalized plans based on skill level, musical taste, and desired pace. Step-by-step lessons make it easy to enhance piano skills, offering an engaging experience that drives users to improve every day. The FP-40 detects when the player is having trouble with a specific section, and the Piano Sphere button will flash to ask if they need assistance.

The app's streaks feature helps build practice habits to maintain musical momentum, and users can even freeze a streak if they miss a day. They also earn rewards badges for consistency, course completion, and more. Additionally, the FP-40 records playing time even when the app is not open, ensuring that progress is always tracked.

Piano Sphere is available as a free download for iOS and Android devices. The app supports multiple languages, including English, German, Spanish, French, Japanese, Korean, traditional Chinese, and simplified Chinese.

To learn more about the FP-40 and Piano Sphere, visit [Roland.com](https://roland.com).

About Roland Corporation

For more than 50 years, Roland's innovative electronic musical instruments and multimedia products have fueled inspiration in artists and creators around the world. Embraced by hobbyists and professionals alike, the company's trendsetting gear spans multiple categories, from pianos, synthesizers, drums and percussion, and guitar products to DJ controllers, audio/video solutions, gaming mixers, livestreaming products, and more. As technology evolves, Roland and its expanding family of brands, including Roland Cloud, BOSS, V-MODA, Drum Workshop (DW), PDP, Latin Percussion (LP), and Slingerland, continue to lead the way for music makers and creators, providing modern solutions and seamless creative workflows between hardware products, computers, and mobile devices. For more information, visit [Roland.com](https://roland.com) or see your local Roland dealer. Follow Roland on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/RolandGlobal), X (Twitter) ([@RolandGlobal](https://twitter.com/RolandGlobal)), and Instagram ([@RolandGlobal](https://www.instagram.com/RolandGlobal)).

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