Letterforms composed of a single, continuous line.

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SINFONÍA ESTRELLA
THE METAMORPHOSIS
RINGMASTER
HUMAN CANNONBALL
NIGHTHAWKS

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FEATURES

STYLISTIC ALTERNATES

XAVIER → XAVIER

STANDARD LIGATURES

WAFFLES → WAFFLES

DISCRETIONARY LIGATURES

STARS → STARS

ARROWS

↑ ↗ → ↘ ↓ ↙ ← ↖

Additional Features Include: Kerning, Fractions, and Ordinals.
Continuo is a fascinating, all-uppercase display typeface wherein the contour of each letterform is described with a single, continuous line. The challenges presented by that simple idea are similar to constructing letterforms with neon tubing. For example, when the strokes of a letterform need to be heavier than the width of the neon tube, two tubes are employed to create the outer contours, effectively leaving an unfilled void inside the stroke. Also, since neon tubes cannot be broken apart as they trace the contours, they must follow a path that, for reasons of economy and to avoid optical massing (or bright spots in neon), the tubes are not crossed. So too, the construction of Continuo follows.

The newly updated Continuo now has alternate forms of letters A-Z available in the lowercase a-z and by extension those alternates are also present in the lowercase diacritics. The new Latin Plus glyph repertoire of Continuo contains almost 900 glyphs, supporting 224 languages, including Vietnamese and multiple African languages. A handy set of arrows and additional international currency symbols were added as well.

The name is derived from the musical term “Basso Continuo” meaning an almost constant bass line, an integral part of most musical melodies.

As an in-line display type, Continuo is ideal for headlines and most oversized applications and its unique appearance commands attention from viewers.

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Continuo has a Latin Plus character set, which supports the following 224 languages:

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