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Rock Music Sales Decline In 1998

Rock isn't dead, but its sales are declining, according to a new report from The Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA). Sales of rock music recordings dropped to 25.7% of the market in 1998, down from 32.5% in 1997. The RIAA attributed the decline to a lack of hits from established artists and a continued decline in "alternative rock" sales. Another contributing factor may have been the drop in purchases by 15-29 year-olds, and an increase in purchases from consumers over the age of 35. Sales of country music remained steady, holding 14.1% of the market. R&B, gospel and soundtracks showed growth last year. The RIAA said the R&B genre was helped by Lauryn Hill's triple-platinum sales, as well as by hot albums by Brian McKnight, Erykah Badu and Janet Jackson. As in 1997, female consumers bought more music products than males. Women purchased 51.3% of units, compared with men's 48.7%.

Matador Offers Rare Jon Spencer Blues Explosion Tracks In MP3

Matador Records announced that it will release eight rare or unreleased tracks from the Jon Spencer Blues Explosion in the MP3 format. Each week through the first week of May, Matador's MP3 site (www.matador.recs.com/mp3/index.html) will offer a different track. Matador's site also includes MP3 files from Khan, Solex, Fuck, Yo La Tengo and the Lynnfield Pioneers. In other JSBX news, Matador is sponsoring a contest related to the band's new video for "Magical Colors." Visit www.matador.recs.com/bands/jsbx/magical.html to view the video and enter the contest.



Jon Spencer Blues
Explosion

Fleadh To Be Held In Four Cities

The Guinness Fleadh will expand to four cities this summer, with day-long concerts planned for New York City, Chicago, Boston and San Francisco. Lineups for the June concerts will be announced later. The Fleadh started in London in the late '80s, and the inaugural U.S. festival was held in 1997 at Randall's Island in New York City. The Fleadh expanded in 1998 with events in New (Continued on page 13)

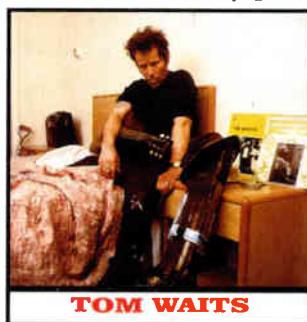
Epitaph Has High Hopes For Label Debut From Rock Legend Tom Waits

By Ron Hart

On April 27, the seminal West Coast punk/hardcore label Epitaph Records will release *Mule Variations*, the first album in more than six years from rock icon Tom Waits. The 16-track collection is said to blend the piano-bar Americana sounds of Waits's tenure at Elektra imprint Asylum Records with the raw-boned experimentalism of his Island Records years. With new releases from Waits

and other signings such as political theorist Noam Chomsky and former MC5 guitarist Wayne Kramer, Epitaph has broadened its musical palette while also continuing its (Continued on page 13)

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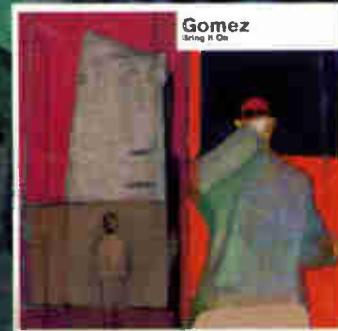
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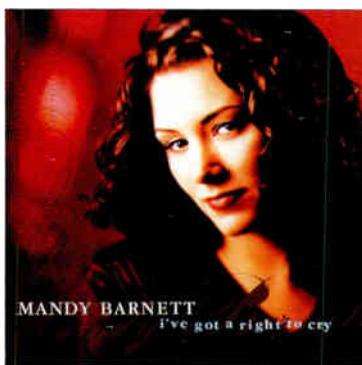
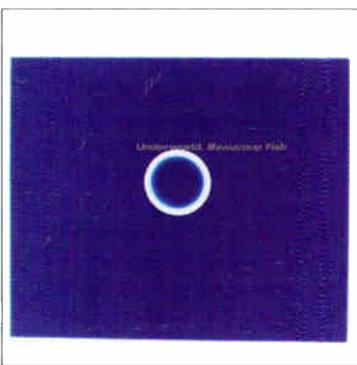
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THE ESSENTIAL RELEASES OF THE WEEK



UNDERWORLD

Beaucoupl Fish (JBO-V2)

Truth be told, Underworld's popularity in America would be less widespread were it not for the band's appearance on the *Trainspotting* soundtrack. But that's not a knock on the band, really. It's just that this exalted U.K. trio has never tailored its material for mass consumption. *Beaucoupl Fish*, like the group's past work, is an intellectual mish-mash of dense textures, complex frequencies and the monotone mutterings of a frontman who vocalizes his thoughts with complete disregard for traditional song structure. But it's this unique approach to songwriting and production that has made Underworld such a dance culture monolith. Forgoing the breakbeat rhythms that riddled 1996's *Second Toughest In The Infants*, *Beaucoupl Fish* showcases a more mature, album-oriented Underworld, travelling from over-the-top club maelstroms to ominous, gothic ballads to choppy, experimental rap. The sheer length of the tracks (most hover around seven minutes) makes *Beaucoupl Fish* one of the most non-radio-friendly albums you'll pick up, but its bewitching rock/rave qualities suggests it will still be one of the most played. — *M. Tye Comer*

For Fans Of: Chemical Brothers, Fluke, Left-field, Orbital

Recommended Tracks: "King Of Snake," "Push Upstairs," "Bruce Lee," "Moaner"

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Marketing Information: Underworld's visual arts team, Tomato, recently shot a video for "Push Upstairs"; the team will also accompany the band when it embarks on a major-market U.S. tour in April.

MANDY BARNETT

I've Got A Right To Cry (Sire)

Although she's only 23 years old, Mandy Barnett has an ageless voice, a wonder of mature and emotional substance rarely heard in a single package. Produced in part by the late Owen Bradley (Patsy Cline), Barnett's debut captures the rich, timeless beauty of classic country. She caresses songs such as "With My Eyes Wide Open I'm Dreaming" (featuring Jordanaires-style background harmonies) like Cline before her, evoking all of the lushness and vulnerability that made that legend so alluring. But Barnett doesn't simply mimic her idols; she digs deep down to each song's emotional core, whether they be achingly romantic songs ("Mistakes") or churchy, tear-soaked tunes such as "Funny, Familiar, Forgotten Feelings." The title track sounds as though it could have been playing on a DeSoto car radio in the late-'50s, as it features echoing, weepy string arrangements and Barnett's mesmerizing, booming vocals. On the songs "Trademark" and "Falling, Falling, Falling," Barnett switches gears and delivers livelier Loretta Lynn-style numbers that show her talents stretch from the torchy and tender to sweet and spunky. — *Glen Sansone*

For Fans Of: Patsy Cline, Loretta Lynn, k.d. Lang, Gillian Welch

Recommended Tracks: "Give Myself A Party," "The Whispering Wind," "Don't Forget To Cry"

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Release Date: April 13; at radio now

CHARLIE HUNTER/ LEON PARKER

Duo (Blue Note)

Perhaps what is more impressive than Charlie Hunter's guitar playing is his ability to use his skills for good instead of evil. A player with his chops (not to mention the marketable gimmick of playing an eight-string guitar) could have exploited his gift to produce a slew of showy, technique-heavy recordings, but Hunter has managed to make it big with jazz fans and tie-died rock fans alike by keeping the grooves and the solos real. Hunter is also good at sharing the spotlight — 1998's *Return Of The Candyman* was as much vibist Stefon Harris's show as it was Hunter's. Recorded live in the studio, *Duo* is a medium cool conversation between Hunter and nimble percussionist Leon Parker that is often as mellow as it is sunny. The pair uses its soft touch to turn the somber Beach Boys' gem "Don't Talk (Put You Head On My Shoulder)" into a golden jazz standard. Parker's blending of hand drums with a standard kit often adds a Caribbean flavor to *Duo*, especially on the feel-good "Calypso For Grampa." — *Steve Giauttoni*

For Fans Of: John Scofield, Marc Ribot, Mike Stern

Recommended Tracks: "Mean Streak," "Recess," "Don't Talk (Put Your Head On My Shoulder)," "Calypso For Grampa"

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Release Date: March 23; at radio now

Marketing Data: Hunter (with percussionist Adam Cruz) is currently on tour.

ELF POWER

**A Dream In Sound
(Arena Rock-Elephant 6)**

Elf Power doesn't borrow any one specific Elephant 6 style, but instead builds on its peers' best attributes — Neutral Milk Hotel's poetic lyricism, Of Montreal's whimsy and the Apples In Stereo's ear for melody. This Athens, Georgia, quartet also separates itself from the pack with the clean production found on this third album, co-produced with Mercury Rev's Dave Fridmann (Flaming Lips, Mogwai). Elf Power's 1997 concept album, *When The Red King Comes*, was a lo-fi psychedelic journey into a magical, Tolkien-inspired kingdom. *A Dream In Sound* retains that dreamlike wonder, but it also offers more poignant, real-life emotions. (Although the song about a bird with a "candy bar head" does make us scratch our heads.) Whether on the Beatles-esque pop of "Old Tyme Waves" or the sample-happy "We Dream In Sound," Elf Power expertly combines old-fashioned guitar, bass and drums with keyboards, horns and more exotic instruments like the zanzithophone. Yet the band's experimental side never overshadows its hummable melodies or Andrew Rieger's sweet but strong vocals. — *Wendy Mitchell*

For Fans Of: Of Montreal, Neutral Milk Hotel, Tobin Sprout, Apples In Stereo

Recommended Tracks: "Will My Feet Still Carry Me Home," "High Atop The Silver Branches," "We Dream In Sound," "The Well"

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Release Date: April 6; at radio now

Marketing Data: Touring with the Olivia Tremor Control through April 10; selling the seven-song EP *Come On* at shows; Elf Power will open R.E.M.'s stadium show in Atlanta on August 29.

TOPSTORIES

Edited by Wendy Mitchell

Judge Issues Injunction Against Pirate Station 'Steal This Radio'

On March 12, the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York issued an injunction against Steal This Radio, a famed New York City 20-watt pirate radio station. Judge Michael B. Mukasey also denied the station's complaint that would stop the FCC from taking enforcement action against them. The station's suit alleged that the FCC licensing rules were violating the broadcasters' First Amendment rights. Steal This Radio has operated without an FCC license on the 88.7 FM frequency since November 1995. In March 1997, the FCC informed Steal This Radio of the consequences for continuing to broadcast without a license. But the station continued to operate and filed a lawsuit in response.

Wilco, Mercury Rev, Spacehog To Open For R.E.M.'s Summer Tour

R.E.M. has officially announced dates for its summer U.S. tour, which will feature rotating opening bands including Wilco, Mercury Rev and Spacehog. R.E.M. will launch the tour on August 9-10 in Los Angeles, and they will end the tour with a September 11 gig in Boston. Mercury Rev will open the West Coast dates, Wilco will open the Midwestern, Canadian and Southeastern dates, and Spacehog will open the Northeastern leg of the tour. In addition, R.E.M. will play for three nights, August 29-31, in its homestate of Georgia. Wilco will open one of the shows at Atlanta's Chastain, while Elephant 6 bands Elf Power and the Olivia Tremor Control will open the other two.



Mercury Rev

Wyclef Jean's Haitian Benefit Concert Returns To Miami On April 17

Wyclef Jean's third annual Haitian Benefit Concert will be held at the Bayfront Park Amphitheater in downtown Miami on April 17. Usher, Aaliyah and Timbaland will host the day-long carnival, which will also feature performances by Wyclef Jean and The Refugee Camp, Stone Love, Pras, Nas, Next, Mya, Ball and MJG, Destiny's Child, Ivy Queen, Black Eyed Peas, Kymani Marley, Khadejia with Clef, Sweet Mickey, Pace Won and Eagle-Eye Cherry. Wyclef, who is of Haitian descent, started the event in 1997 as a means to celebrate the music and culture of Haiti. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Wyclef Jean Foundation, which is dedicated to promoting social and self-empowerment to minority communities throughout the world, and other charitable organizations. Tickets (\$20) are available through Ticketmaster.



Wyclef Jean

Ol' Dirty Bastard Arrested Twice In Four Days

Wu Tang Clan rapper Ol' Dirty Bastard was arrested on March 22 in Brooklyn and charged with possession of crack cocaine. At 1:30 a.m. police officers questioned the 30-year-old rapper for illegally double parking his license plate-less 1996 Range Rover in the Bushwick section of Brooklyn. ODB, whose real name is Russell P. Jones, gave officers a false name initially, but he correctly identified himself after further questioning. Police checked the rapper's record and discovered his license was suspended. The officers then searched his clothes and found three small bags containing crack cocaine. ODB was charged with unlawful possession of a controlled substance and unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle. And just four days later, on March 26, ODB was again arrested — this time in Harlem — for again driving with a suspended license. The rapper's other recent run-ins with police have included arrests for shoplifting, menacing security guards and for threatening a former girlfriend.

MARS Stores Start Label With Palm Pictures

Musical instrument retail chain MARS (The Musician's Planet) has started a record label, Martian Records, through a partnership with Palm Pictures. The companies' alliance also includes special Palm Pictures promotions in MARS's 22 superstores. "We're searching for top national talent that is looking for a record deal, and we'll funnel it through Martian Records to Palm Pictures," said Martian's Max Borges. "This turns MARS into a huge infrastructure of talent scouts."

Alice Cooper To Host Third Annual Rhino Musical Aptitude Test

Shock rocker Alice Cooper is best known for his song "School's Out," but he'll be bringing school back into session on May 12. On that day, Cooper will host Rhino Records' Third Annual Rhino Musical Aptitude Test. The RMAT, modeled after the SAT college entrance exam, aims to test the ultimate music trivia expert using 305 challenging multiple choice questions. The RMAT will be held in Los Angeles, New York, Chicago and Dallas at 7 p.m. local time in each locale. The tightly guarded tests will be delivered to testing sites by an armored truck. Pioneer Stereo, Tower Records, *Vibe*, *Spin*, and *Blaze* magazines and Yahoo! Music will co-sponsor the event. A winner will be chosen from each of the four locations and will receive a Pioneer home theater system, a DVD player, a \$100 gift certificate to Tower Records, a one-year subscription to *Vibe*, *Spin* and *Blaze*, a laptop case and a fleece jacket. One lucky grand prize winner will receive a copy of all of Rhino's releases for the winner's or the label's lifetime.

3-2-1 To Release Next Blackalicious Album

3-2-1 Records has signed a joint venture deal with Quannum Records to put out the next three albums from Blackalicious. The Oakland, California, crew's new EP, *A 2 G*, will be released on May 18, and the full-length album, *Nia*, will follow in late August. Blackalicious will support the album with a worldwide tour this fall. Blackalicious is also included on Quannum's forthcoming *Spectrum* compilation, as well as 3-2-1's 1998 *Connected* compilation.

ARTISTNEWS

Fan Raise Money To Bring Looper Overseas For In-Store Performances

Heather McDonald, an employee at a Record Exchange store in Raleigh, North Carolina, has become so enamored with the Scottish band Looper that she's raising money to bring the band to the U.S. McDonald heard about Looper's in-store performances overseas, and she wrote to Looper mastermind Stuart David (who is also the bassist for Belle & Sebastian) and asked him to play an in-store performance at the Mission Valley branch of the Record Exchange. "I was jealous [of the U.K. fans]," McDonald says. "I figured it can't hurt to ask — all they can do is say no." David apologized and said that the Glasgow group didn't have the funds to travel overseas for such a performance. So McDonald is trying to raise enough money (about \$800-\$1000) to buy plane tickets for David and his wife/bandmate Karn to come to the States. At the first fundraiser on March 20, store employees sold baked goods and raised \$175. McDonald hopes to raise the full amount by June, and future fundraisers may include a car wash and benefit concert. A spokeswoman for the Record Exchange chain said that if Looper does come over, she hopes that they will play in-stores at other Record Exchange locations as well. Sub Pop recently released Looper's debut album, *Up A Tree*. For more information about the project, contact McDonald at 919.839.1295 or hmcdr@trexemail.com. Donations can be sent to: Heather McDonald, c/o Record Exchange, Mission Valley Shopping Center, 2109-144 Avent Ferry Road, Raleigh, NC 27606.



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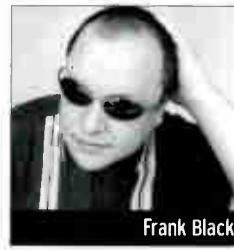
DreamWorks Picks Up Nitty Gritty Dirt Band Album

DreamWorks Records has signed country-rock group the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, and the label will release the group's new album *Bang Bang Bang* on May 4. The Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, which formed in 1965, had originally recorded the album for the now defunct MCA Records imprint Rising Tide. "We really believed in this record," vocalist/guitarist Jeff Hanna said. "And we weren't

willing to give up on it or business relegate it to a shelf somewhere." The album includes originals plus covers of songs by Gillian Welch, Jim Lauderdale, Al Anderson and others.

Sonic Unyon Releases Frank Black Album In Canada

Sonic Unyon has released the Canadian version of the new Frank Black & The Catholics album, *Pistolero*. SpinART Records released the album domestically. Sonic Unyon also released the 1998 *Frank Black & The Catholics* album in Canada. The label licensed *Pistolero* directly from Black, rather than through spinART. Sonic Unyon has serviced Canadian college stations with the new album.



Frank Black

Kent Plans U.S. Headlining Tour

Swedish rock band Kent will kick off its first U.S. headlining tour on April 7 in San Diego. RCA labelmates Papa Vegas, from Grand Rapids, Michigan, will open the 16-date tour. Kent's 1998 RCA debut album, *Isola*, has spawned the radio hits "If You Were Here" and "747."



Kent



TAKING A BREATH: Australian rocker/underage drinker Ben Lee hangs out after his show at the Gavin Seminar in New Orleans. Lee is touring in support of his third solo album, *Breathing Torando* (Grand Royal-Capitol). L-R: Nicole from Vision Trust, Ben Lee, Stephanie from Vision Trust and Steve Nice from Capitol Records.

ARTIST SPOTLIGHT

TRANS AM

Interview by Ron Hart

For nearly four years, Washington, D.C.-area power trio Trans Am has been adding a rock 'n' roll punch to electronic music. The band's third album for Thrill Jockey, *Futureworld*, is a quixotic journey into the heart of its members' equally measured love for both the synth and the Strat. Bassist Nathan Means recently chatted with CMJ about keeping it surreal in the 9-double.



CMJ: Why did you guys decide to use the lost art of vocoder crooning for this record?

Nathan Means: We decided it was time to try something different. It's fun to sing, and it opens up a whole different zone for writing songs. And I think the vocoder is awesome. It's a total like *Midnight Star* [kind of vibe.]

Does this album mark the first time you've ever incorporated vocal tracks into the mix?

We actually did a split 7" for this skate magazine called *Strength*, and we used the vocoders on that, but not the same one we use on the album.

Your sound is born from both classic rock and avant-garde electronic music. How do you feel about critics tagging you with that "electronica" label all the time?

It's funny because they pigeonhole bands that are even less electronic than us and call them electronic. I guess that's what people pick up on. If you have a keyboard and play it once every three songs, all of a sudden you're an electronic band. It's absurd.

The album cover for Futureworld has an early '80s video game look.

Actually, Seth, our drummer, designed it on his Atari computer using BASIC.

Speaking of computers, do you have any thoughts on MP3?

Some reviewer or somebody got [*Futureworld*] a month before it came out, and put four songs on the Internet. I don't really mind people doing that after the album comes out. But putting out songs before the album's even released, it kind of ruins the whole point of releasing an album.

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Elliott Builds Studio/ Home In Kentucky

Emocore band Elliott has finished constructing its new "compound" in Lexington, Kentucky. The entire band now lives, records and rehearses in the 7,000 square-foot loft. Drummer Kevin Ratterman has built a fully functional recording studio and hopes to devote more time to the studio when Elliott isn't writing, recording or touring. The band has already written about 12 new songs for its followup to 1998's *US Songs* (Revelation Records), and it hopes to write about 20 more new ones. After demoing all the new songs, Elliott will choose roughly the 10 best to record for a new album. Meanwhile, Initial Records will soon release a new single from the band. Elliott will tour the South in May with Hot Water Music, and the band will also tour the U.S. this summer.

Autotonic Working On Steve Miller Promotion

Independent promotions firm Autotonic will work with EMI Music Distribution (EMD) to promote classic Steve Miller Band albums to college and non-commercial radio. Miller will launch a tour of college campuses, primarily in the Midwest, later this spring. Stations interested in featuring Miller's work on air or offering giveaways in connection with a show in their market should contact Autotonic to receive copies of Miller classics including *Children Of The Future* (which features original Steve Miller Band member Boz Scaggs), *Anthology* and *Greatest Hits 1974-1978*. For more information, contact Autotonic at 888.551.3613 or radio@autotonic.com.

Local H's Curse Words Stir Controversy In Vermont

Local H stirred up a bit of controversy with a March 13 performance at the Killington Ski Resort in Rutland, Vermont. During the outdoor show, the duo performed the song "High-Fiving MF," from 1996's *As Good As Dead*, during which the lyric "you high fiving motherfucker" is repeated 10 times. Band members Scott Lucas and Joe Daniels thought nothing of performing the curse-laden song, but they were unaware that Vermont law prohibits the use of profanity during outdoor concert and sporting activities. The band found out about the law the day after the



Local H

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performance when they showed up for a WBTZ-sponsored show and were informed that the concert's organizer, Mountain Dew, was going to stop payment on the check for the Rutland show and call other tour stops and inform them of what happened. Despite all the controversy, there were no arrests and no fines. However, when the duo returned to Killington Ski Resort on March 15 to use free skiing passes that were included in the performance deal, they found that those privileges had been revoked due to the controversy.

X To Play During LA Music Week

Famed Los Angeles band X will perform two nights during the first annual LA Music Week, which starts on June 24. X will perform on June 25-26 at the House Of Blues in Los Angeles. The week's festivities will also include *LA Weekly's* resurrected Music Awards, seminars and other concerts. For a schedule of events or more information, visit www.lamusicweek.com.



OWSLEY IN BOSTON: Singer-songwriter Owsley recently visited Boston on a promotional tour for his new self-titled debut album for Giant-Warner Bros. Records. Hanging out backstage at the Paradise after his performance, L-R, WBOS's George Taylor Morris, Giant Records General Manager Larry Jacobson, WBMX's Mike Mullhaney, Owsley and Giant VP of Promotion Jeffrey Blalock.



SHE BOPS INTO SPINART: Cyndi Lauper recently visited the offices of spinART Records in New York City. Lauper was researching her role for a new NBC sitcom about an independent record label. L-R: Lynn Heisel, Jeff Price, Cyndi Lauper, Amy Fritch and Irene Sun Woo.

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Amnesty Benefit Concert To Air On Pay-Per-View

After airing on several radio stations on March 27-28, December's Amnesty International benefit concert will also be shown on pay-per-view at 8 p.m. on April 3. The three-hour telecast of *The Paris Concert For Amnesty International: The Struggle Continues...* will be sponsored by the Body Shop and Best Buy. The special includes performances by Bruce Springsteen, Peter Gabriel, Plant & Page, Alanis Morissette, Radiohead, Tracy Chapman, Shania Twain and Youssou N'Dour. The original concert, held at Bercy Stadium in Paris, celebrated the 50th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.



Radiohead

WFNX To Start Network

Phoenix Media's Boston-based FM station WFNX has announced plans to form the "FNX Radio Network." The first two stations in the network will be WCDQ and WSME in Sanford, Maine, which WFNX

will purchase. Pending FCC approval, WCDQ will change its call letters to WPHX and will change its programming from classic rock to simulcasts of WFNX's alternative music programming and new localized programming. There are no immediate changes planned for WSME, a syndicated talk station. "Particularly by adding the WCDQ signal, we will now be able to bring WFNX's unique brand of alternative programming and style to Eastern New Hampshire and Maine, from Portsmouth to Portland," said WFNX owner Stephen Mindich.

New Clients Sign On For StarTracker

Dormont Technologies announced that several high-profile companies have recently signed on to use its StarTracker marketing software and data service. The new clients include KOCH International, Left Bank Organization, EMI Christian, Capitol Records Nashville and MediaAmerica. The Windows-based StarTracker includes project management software and about 200,000 industry contacts.

ROLODEX UPDATE

As of April 1, Jeepster Recordings' new address is P.O. Box 14153, London SW11 4XU, England.

OOPS!

In issue #612, a news story about Hot Water Music signing with Some Records was accompanied by a photo of the wrong band. CMJ regrets any confusion caused by the error...Also in issue #612, a review of Six Going On Seven's *Heartbreak's Got Backbeat* (Some), we incorrectly pictured the advance album artwork, not the final artwork.

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INDUSTRY SHUFFLE

Angelica Cob has been promoted to National Director of Media Relations for Atlantic Record. Cob had been Atlantic's Director of Media Relations, West Coast... Jesse Coleman has been promoted to Director of Broadcast Operations for The Box Music Network. Coleman had been The Box's General Manager of Broadcast Operations... Rob Goldklang has been promoted to National Director of Alternative Promotion for Warner Bros. Records. Goldklang had been Warner Bros.' National Manager of Alternative Promotion. Also, Julie Muncey has been promoted to National Manager of Alternative Promotion. She had been National Manager of College Promotion since 1997. Jennifer Polanzi has been named National Manager of AAA/College Promotion. She had been an assistant to various Warner Bros. executives...

►David H. Johnson has been named Executive VP and General Counsel of Warner Music Group. Johnson had been Senior VP, General Counsel and Secretary of Sony Music Entertainment... Gail Marowitz► has been promoted to VP of Design,

Columbia, for Sony Music Creative Services. Marowitz had been a Design Director in Creative Services since 1997. Also, ►Carol Chen has been promoted to VP of Design, Epic, for Sony Music Creative Services. Chen had been a Design Director with Sony since 1994... Craig Kornblau has been named President of Universal Studios Home Video. Kornblau will also continue to serve as Executive VP/General Manager of Universal Music & Video Distribution...

Jonathan McHugh► has been named VP of Creative Development for Jive Records. McHugh had been VP of Soundtracks for New Line Cinema... Brian Roberts has been promoted to Senior VP of Finance and Commercial Operations for Zomba Music Publishing. Roberts had been Zomba's Senior VP of Finance and Administration

... Daniel Seliger► has been promoted to Director of Marketing for Rawkus Entertainment. Seliger had been Rawkus's Director of

Retail Marketing for three years... ►Elizabeth Wendel has been named Director of Film, TV, Soundtracks & Advertising for Jeff McClusky & Associates. Wendel had been an Associate Music Supervisor with Peter Afterman.



Elizabeth Wendel

CMJ '99 Panel Manager Announced

As of April 1, all inquiries and questions regarding daytime panels at CMJ Music Marathon, MusicFest & FilmFest '99 should be directed to Carol Candeloro, who is returning as Panel Manager. She can be reached via email at carolc@cmj.com. CMJ '99 will be held September 15-18 at the New York Hilton and Towers in New York City. For up-to-the-minute information about panels as well all other facets of the festival, visit www.cmj.com/marathon99/. (CMJ Music Marathon, MusicFest & FilmFest is owned and operated by College Media Inc., publisher of *CMJ New Music Report*.)

Warner Bros. President To Receive Award

Warner Bros. Records President Philip Quartararo has been chosen as "The Spirit Of Life" award honoree by City Of Hope, a California cancer treatment center. Quartararo will be honored at a black tie event in Los Angeles in the fall. Proceeds from the gala will establish an honorary research fellowship in Quartararo's name at City Of Hope National Medical Center and Beckman Research Institute.

L.A. Voice Symposium To Be Held On May 8

Premier West Entertainment will host the Second Annual Voice Career Symposium at the Los Angeles's John Anson Ford Theater on May 8. The day-long seminar will address topics such as the music industry, effective vocal techniques, career management, powerful performance, confidence building, image enhancement and self-promotion. For tickets, call 818.981.1401.



WELCOME TO MIAMI: Making the rounds at Miami's Winter Music Conference, L-R: Kenny "The Tick" Salcido from Grand Royal Records, Liz "Notorious L.I.Z." Koch from Tommy Boy Records and Adam Chapman from Boston's WRBB.

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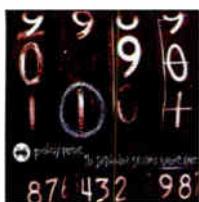
Prodigy frontman Liam Howlett shows off his turntable skills on the new XL Recordings release *Prodigy Present The Dirtchamber Sessions Volume One*. Howlett borrows music from diverse sources, including Meat Beat Manifesto, Ultramagnetic MC's, Jane's Addiction, Charlatans UK, Beastie Boys and many others to create an eight-track, 51-minute musical manifesto.

If you were thinking that Michael Jordan's recent retirement from pro basketball meant that he'd vanish from the public eye, think again. SoundWorks International has released *An Audio Tribute To Michael Jordan*. This spoken word release features Shaquille O'Neal, President Bill Clinton, Magic Johnson and others giving verbal toasts to the basketball legend. SoundWorks is also planning to release two other spoken word albums in the next two months: *The JFK Wit* and *Ronald Reagan's Greatest Speeches, Volume II*. Can Dan Quayle's *Greatest Blunders* be far behind?

Try to recall your favorite Ramones tunes: "I Wanna Be Sedated," "Blitzkrieg Bop," "Rock 'N Roll High School." Now try to imagine those and seven other Ramones songs given a swanky, martini-flavored lounge treatment. Thanks to the folks at Medicine Records, there's no need to imagine; the label has just released *Ramones Songbook* by the Nutley Brass. With arrangements by Sam Elwitt, these punk classics are now appropriate for ballrooms and late night lounges.

The soundtrack to *Idle Hands*, the new comic/horror film starring Vivica A. Fox and Seth Green, is comprised almost exclusively of punk tracks — not too surprising for a film that follows the story of a teenager who becomes the "unwitting tool of Satan." The Time Bomb Recordings release features songs by Blink 182, the Living End, Unwritten Law, Vandals, Offspring and others.

No one can play as loud, fast and heavy as Motörhead, although many have tried. Victory Records recently released *Built For Speed - A Motörhead Tribute*, which covers classic Motörhead tunes like "Orgasmatrix" and "Ace Of Spades" by 11 roguish bands, including Dropkick Murphys, Groovie Ghoulies, Zeke, Speedealer and Fahrenheit 451.



Forest For The Trees's *The Sound Of Wet Paint EP* is now available from DreamWorks. The five-song EP is comprised of a slice of Carl Stephenson's earliest recordings, and the track "Jet Engine" even features his pal Beck on vocals.

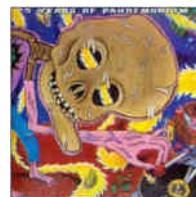
With four albums under her belt, Sam Phillips has just released a collection of singles and greatest hits called *Zero Zero Zero* on Virgin Records. Over the course of her career, Phillips has been accompanied by an impressive list of musicians, including Elvis Costello, Marc Ribot and R.E.M.'s Peter Buck. This collection, produced by her husband T-Bone Burnett, includes two previously unreleased tracks, "Disappearing Act" and "You Lost My Mind," as well as new mixes of "Where The Colors Don't Go," "Fighting With Fire," "Holding On To The Earth" and "Lying."



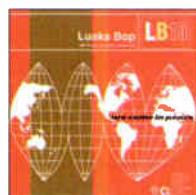
BossaCucaNova is being hailed as the "first true bossa nova remix project actually produced in Brazil." The album, available from the Six Degrees label, is comprised of 13 soulful classics updated by three innovative, young Brazilian producers: Alexandre Moreira, Marcelinho Dalua and Marci Menescal. The music of Astrid, Os Cariocas, Carlos Lynn and Roberto Menescal (father of remixer Marci Menescal) can be heard in remixed form on the album.

Gilley's, the legendary Pasadena, Texas, country-western nightclub featured in the film *Urban Cowboy*, is the inspiration for the new box set released by Q Records. *Live At Gilley's* is a four-disc collection that culls 56 tracks from 27 artists. Included among them are Willie Nelson, Loretta Lynn, Fats Domino, Jerry Lee Lewis and the late Carl Perkins.

French label Pandemonium Records has recently released a label sampler here in the U.S. through Stickfigure Distribution. The disc collects a total of 15 tracks from noisy avant garde luminaries such as God Is My Co-Pilot, Unsane, Guapo, Double Nelson and the Ruins with Molecules leader Ron Anderson. For ordering information, visit <http://stickfigure.saturn.org> or www.pandemoniumrecords.com.

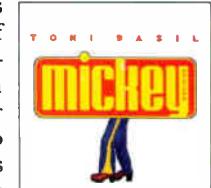


Luaka Bop has released a label retrospective sampler that documents the label's 10 years in existence with one song representing each of those years. *We Come In Peace* includes pop music from



all over the world, and includes artists Cornershop, Peggy Tah, Jim White, Tom Zé, Os Mutantes, Clinton and Zap Mama.

Razor & Tie Records has just issued remixes of Toni Basil's 1981 mega-hit "Mickey." Jason Nevins, who last year worked with Run-DMC to produce the overseas club sensation "It's Like That," handled the mixes. The release is available in three formats: a 7" featuring two remixes, a 12" with four remixes and a CD with five remixes.



Smithsonian Folkways has just released two new discs geared towards children. The first, *Environmental Songs For Kids*, is an effort to educate youngsters about appreciating and preserving our natural resources. Artists such as Coco Kallis, Bill Oliver, Bob Reid and Jill Jarboe perform songs about pollution, recycling and nature in a number of entertaining musical styles, from calypso to blues. The other release, *Lead Belly Sings For Children*, compiles material from Lead Belly's catalog, including the entire *Negro Folk Songs For Children* album, which was originally released in 1960. The 28-song collection marks the first time the legendary blues singer's children's songs have been available on one release.

DreamWorks Records has releases the soundtrack to *Forces Of Nature*, the new Sandra Bullock-Ben Affleck movie. The soundtrack includes songs by U2, Tricky, Faithless, Gomez, R.L. Burnside, Propellerheads and others.

While Cher is busy riding yet another wave of popularity with the success of her latest single, "Believe," at least one company has found an easy way to capitalize on it. Geffen Records has recently released *If I Could Turn Back Time: Cher's Greatest Hits*, focusing largely on the singer/actress' solo career. The compilation features the title track as well as "The Shoop Shoop Song (It's In His Kiss)," "Half-Breed," "Save Up All Your Tears," "I Found Someone" and the previously unreleased "Don't Come Cryin' To Me."

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RADIO NEWS

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KRUA in Anchorage, Alaska, now has a Web site at www.uaa.alaska.edu/krua. Station Manager Matt Hopper promises that the page will be updated monthly...
Janies Cervantes is the new Jazz Director at **KWVA** in Eugene, Oregon...
Nicholas Rolston is the new Beat Box Director at **KZSC** in Santa Cruz, California. Also, the station has a new area code, so the office phone number is now 831.423.3463...
Nicole Johnson is the new Music Director at **WSBU** in St. Bonaventure, New York...
WBUQ in Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania, has organized a benefit concert called Revolution Ruckus. The event is scheduled to take place on the campus of Bloomsburg University on April 17 and will feature a headline performance by Paxton. The outdoor concert begins at 2 p.m. and is free of charge. Donations are encouraged, however, because proceeds will benefit local charities. For more information, contact Bryan Klementisz at 717.389.4686...
Heather Dobson is the new Jazz Director at **WCKS** in Allendale, Michigan...
G. Crincoli and **C. Ormando** are the Music Directors at **WCVH** in Flemington, New Jersey. They may be contacted via email at punkgirl23@chickmail.com...
Jenni Matz has been hired as the Special Events coordinator at **WFMU** in Jersey City, New Jersey. Matz's responsibilities include booking concerts, organizing the station's semi-annual record fairs and other benefit activities. She can be

reached by phone at 201.521.1416 ext. 230 or by email at jenni@wfmu.org...
Matt Lamotte and **Frank Stearns** are the correct names of the Music Directors at **WLUR** in Chicago...
Jackie Nice is the New World Director and **John Joyce** is the RPM Director at **WMPG** in Portland, Maine...
Brett Milspaw is the new Music Director at **WRCT** in Pittsburgh. His office hours are Mondays from 5-6:30 p.m. and Tuesdays from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m....
Angela DiFabio is the new Music Director at **WXVU** in Villanova, Pennsylvania.



PLANETS ALIGN: Jaime Mather from the Planetary Group stops by KLSU in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, for a visit. L-R: Music Director Linus Lee, Jaime Mather and DJ David Lohti.

STATION PROFILE

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KBUL

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Fax: 402.554.3687
Web site: www.unomaha.edu/~wwwkbul/main.html (or /main2.html)
Market: Omaha
Power: Cable FM
School enrollment: 12,500
Reports to CMJ: Radio 200, Loud Rock, RPM, Beat Box
Local record retailers: Homer's (anything you could possibly want), Drastic Plastic (rare vinyl), Antiquarium (indie), CD Warehouse (new and used)
Local venues: Ranch Bowl, Sokol Hall, Cog Factory, Arthur's, 18th Amendment Saloon, Saddle Creek Bar
Years on air: One
DJ population: 20
Station philosophy: To provide a diverse mix of music to an equally diverse population of students.
Intriguing fact: KBUL was established as the result of a bet regarding the University's radio history.

Notable local artists: 311, Labels, Scott's Wallet, Silicon Bomb, Knossus, Juror 13, Hat Trick, Ivory Star, Grasshopper Takeover

KBUL thanks: United Parcel Service for providing the funding to make the station possible.

Music Director:

Joe Hammon

Year in school:

Senior

Major: Broadcasting, with a Political Science minor

Years at KBUL:

Two

Tenure as MD:

One year

Office hours: Monday through Friday, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Why are you involved in college radio? "For the love, because I don't get paid to do this. It started in 1996 when I was failing college and considered dropping out. I wanted to change my life, so I got into something I liked: Radio."

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Title/Occupation: [REDACTED]

Street Address: [REDACTED]

City: [REDACTED] State/Province: [REDACTED] Country: [REDACTED]

Zip/Postal Code: [REDACTED]

Work Phone: [REDACTED] Home Phone: [REDACTED]

Fax: [REDACTED] email: [REDACTED]

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Woodstock Austrian Concert Called Off

The Woodstock '99 concert that was to be held in Austria on July 16-18 has been canceled. The other Woodstock '99 event, scheduled for July 23-25 in Rome, New York, will be held as planned. Festival organizer Michael Lang explained, "We are postponing the European Woodstock because of insurmountable logistical difficulties relating to hosting two festivals of this size within one week of each other and over 3,000 miles apart." Ticketholders for the Austrian event, which would have featured Metallica, Alanis Morissette, Faithless, Iggy Pop and others, can return tickets to the point of purchase for full refunds. The Austrian show may be held in the summer of 2000 or 2001. The lineup for the U.S. festival hasn't been announced as of press time.



HALL OF FAMERS: The Sony family and friends gather backstage after the Rock And Roll Hall Of Fame Induction Ceremony. Front row, L-R: Rohan Marley and Danny DeVito. Back row, L-R: Columbia Records President Don Ienner, Lauryn Hill, Inductee Bruce Springsteen, Patty Scialfa, Rhea Perlman, Sony Chairman/CEO Thomas Mottola, Sony Executive VP Michele Anthony.

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York, Chicago and San Francisco. Past performers at the not-strictly-Irish festival have included Van Morrison, Sinéad O'Connor, the Chieftains, Patti Smith, Wilco, Billy Bragg, Ben Lee, Suzanne Vega, the Indigo Girls and many more.

Tom Waits (Continued from cover)

personal relationship with its artists.

"It only makes sense that an unconventional guy such as Tom would be drawn to an unconventional label like Epitaph," explains label publicist Kathy Koehler. "Epitaph is a small organization, which leads to a great deal of personal attention for Tom, something I know he values...It is a real partnership in the true sense of the word."

Throughout his storied 25-year career, Waits has rarely flocked to promotional appearances. The artist-friendly label has taken that into consideration. "Because of Tom's unavailability, we've had to



Tom Waits

choose promotional opportunities wisely, and we've chosen some high profile things that will have a large impact, such as VH1's *Storytellers*, *Rolling Stone*, *Newsweek*, etc," Koehler says. "We've also created a promotional interview disc called *Mule Conversations* that college radio and smaller radio stations can run on their programs in the absence of Tom being unavailable for individual interviews. We also hope to get him to commit to an online chat at the time of the record release. The Internet, with its international reach, will be an important tool for us on this record."

Koehler also thinks that street marketing will be important to the success of *Mule Variations*. "What we have found from observing Tom's fans is that a Tom Waits record is a very personal thing," she says. "Therefore, getting the word out via listening parties in different regions and developing a new Tom Waits Web site [www.officialtomwaits.com] where fans can go to get direct information about Tom Waits events [is important]...We plan to do a lot of direct mailing as well."

Retail will also be pivotal to the success of *Mule Variations*. "There will a high visibility pricing and position program in all of the major [retail chains]," Epitaph's Marketing Director Dave Hansen explains. "There will be print ads, listening stations and in-store billboards to promote the record. There is a lot of excitement from everyone from the Mom and Pops to the biggest chains. We are developing some contest with indie stores to win a trip to see a Tom Waits show, which is creating a lot of excitement. We are also working with on-line retailers to sample the music ahead of the release."

Mule Variations will go for college radio adds on April 5, weeks before the April 27 street date. Although Waits hasn't launched a major tour since 1987, he will play select dates in support of the new album. Following a recent show at SXSW, Waits has planned a few West Coast dates in late May or June, and a national tour may follow.

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5 Years Ago

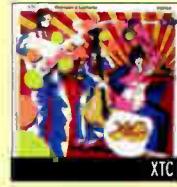
1. NINE INCH NAILS The Downward Spiral (Nothing/TVT-Interscope)
2. SOUNDGARDEN Superunknown (A&M)
3. ROLLINS BAND Weight (Imago)
4. GREEN DAY Dookie (Reprise)
5. PAVEMENT Crooked Rain, Crooked Rain (Matador)



Nine Inch Nails

10 Years Ago

1. XTC Oranges & Lemons (Geffen)
2. ROBYN HITCHCOCK & THE EGYPTIANS Queen Elvis (A&M)
3. ELVIS COSTELLO Spike (Warner Bros.)
4. FIREHOSE FROMOHIO (SST)
5. REPLACEMENTS Don't Tell A Soul (Sire-Reprise)



XTC

15 Years Ago

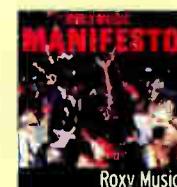
1. SIMPLE MINDS Sparkle In The Rain (A&M)
2. ALARM Declaration (I.R.S.)
3. EURYTHMICS Touch (RCA)
4. THOMAS DOLBY The Flat Earth (Capitol)
5. LAURIE ANDERSON Mister Heartbreak (Warner Bros.)



Simple Minds

20 Years Ago

1. ROXY MUSIC Manifesto (Atlantic)
2. ELVIS COSTELLO Armed Forces (Columbia)
3. U.K. Danger Money (Polydor)
4. POLICE Outlands D'Amour (A&M)
5. TUBES Remote Control (A&M)



Roxy Music

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Personal Favorites



JEANNE KLAFIN
College Radio Promotions,
Mute Records



SAMUEL BARBER
Selected Works As Performed By The St. Louis
Symphony Orchestra (EMI)

ADD N TO (X)
Avant Hard (advance) (Mute)

SCALA
Compass Heart (Touch)

TO ROCOCO ROT
The Amateur View (City Slang-Mute)

THIRD EYE FOUNDATION
You Guys Kill Me (Merge)

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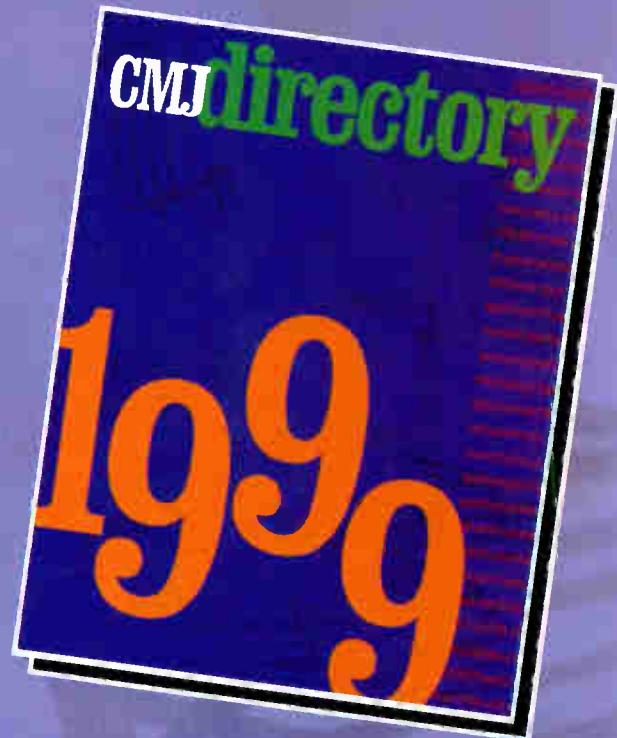
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TW	LW	2W	PK	WKS	ARTIST + TITLE	LABEL
►►► CHART TOPPER/#1 CORE ►►►						
1	1	3	1	5	SLEATER-KINNEY The Hot Rock	Kill Rock Stars
►►► #1 TRIPLE A ►►►						
2	4	5	2	4	BETH ORTON Central Reservation	deConstruction-Arista
3	3	2	2	7	SEBADOH The Sebadoh	Sub Pop-Sire
4	2	1	1	9	BUILT TO SPILL Keep It Like A Secret	Warner Bros.
5	5	4	4	5	BEN LEE Breathing Tornados	Grand Royal-Capitol
6	10	24	6	4	WILCO Summer Teeth	Reprise
7	11	14	7	4	RENTALS Seven More Minutes	Maverick-Reprise
8	49	—	8	2	OLIVIA TREMOR CONTROL Black Foliage: Animation Music Volume One	Flydaddy
►►► #1 BEAT BOX ►►►						
9	6	7	6	7	ROOTS Things Fall Apart	MCA
10	8	11	8	7	XTC Apple Venus Vol. 1	Idea-TV
11	38	—	11	2	BLUR 13	Virgin
12	7	9	7	6	KID SILVER Dead City Sunbeams	Jetset
13	26	126	13	3	FRANK BLACK & THE CATHOLICS Pistolero	spinART
14	9	6	5	7	JIMMY EAT WORLD Clarity	Capitol
15	13	28	13	3	LOOPER Up A Tree	Sub Pop
16	15	41	15	4	DROPKICK MURPHYS The Gang's All Here	Hellcat-Epitaph
17	12	17	12	6	BURNING AIRLINES Mission: Control!	DeSoto
18	14	18	14	5	OF MONTREAL The Gay Parade	Bar/None
19	23	26	19	5	EMINEM The Slim Shady LP	Aftermath-Interscope
20	29	145	20	3	LOW Secret Name	Kranky
21	25	152	21	3	BEULAH When Your Heartstrings Break	Sugar Free
22	18	21	18	5	SPY Music To Mauzner By	Lava-Atlantic
23	17	8	1	12	ANI DIFRANCO Up Up Up Up Up Up	Righteous Babe
24	27	27	24	5	SILVER SCOOTER Orleans Parish	Peek-A-Boo
25	46	196	25	3	MAKE-UP I Want Some	K
26	16	12	12	7	CREATURES Anima Animus	Instinct
27	22	20	20	6	PAUL WESTERBERG Suicaine Gratification	Capitol
28	35	148	28	3	BUCK-O-NINE Libido	TVT
29	48	80	29	3	VARIOUS ARTISTS Reich Remixed	Nonesuch
30	55	50	30	5	STAIND Dysfunction	Flip/Elektra-EEG
31	31	10	3	10	IMPERIAL TEEN What Is Not To Love	Slash-London
32	32	30	30	6	CITIZEN KING Mobile Estates	Warner Bros.
33	20	23	20	7	ARLING & CAMERON All-In	Emperor Norton
34	21	13	9	8	SPARKLEHORSE Good Morning Spider	Capitol
35	19	15	6	8	POSTER CHILDREN New World Record	spinART
36	140	—	36	2	ELF POWER A Dream In Sound	Elephant Six-Arena Rock
37	24	19	17	7	LIVING END The Living End	Reprise
38	53	67	38	3	LATIN PLAYBOYS Dose	Atlantic
39	28	35	28	4	JIM O'ROURKE Eureka	Drag City
40	47	59	40	5	PRINCE PAUL A Prince Among Thieves	Tommy Boy
41	37	62	37	4	SEVEN PERCENT SOLUTION Gabriel's Waltz	X-Ray
42	57	60	42	5	D GENERATION Through The Darkness	C2/Columbia-CRG
►►► #1 DEBUT ►►►						
43	—	—	43	1	TRANS AM Futureworld	Thrill Jockey
44	40	33	33	6	SICK OF IT ALL Call To Arms	Fat Wreck Chords
45	51	71	45	3	KLEENEX GIRL WONDER	March
46	64	66	46	4	JOE HENRY Fuse	Mammoth
47	34	16	7	9	VARIOUS ARTISTS Pop Romantique: French Pop Classics	Emperor Norton
48	33	51	33	4	SQUAREPUSHER Budakan Mindphone (EP)	Warp/Nothing-Interscope
49	112	—	49	3	DJ KRUSH & TOSHINORI KONDO Ki-Oku	Instinct
50	60	45	45	5	LIT A Place In The Sun	RCA
51	81	112	51	3	CORNELIUS CM	Matador
52	66	69	52	4	VAN MORRISON Back On Top	Pointblank-Virgin
53	58	93	53	4	ENGINE DOWN Under The Pretense	Lovitt
54	108	—	54	2	OLD 97'S Fight Songs	Elektra-EEG
55	72	44	44	4	ROB SWIFT The Ablist	Asphodel
56	36	40	32	7	SOUNDTRACK Reach The Rock	Hefty
►►► UP 130 POSITIONS ►►►						
57	187	—	57	2	VARIOUS ARTISTS Post Marked Stamps	Tree
►►► #2 DEBUT ►►►						
58	—	—	58	1	CRASH TEST DUMMIES Give Yourself A Hand	Arista
59	50	184	50	3	KREIDLER Appearance And The Park	KiffSM-Mute
60	30	22	7	9	APRIL MARCH Chrominance Decoder	Ideal-Mammoth
61	44	31	19	9	BETA BAND The 3 E.P.'s	Astralwerks
62	84	124	62	5	CONTROLS One Hundred	Sm:)e
63	54	29	4	11	JASON FALKNER Can You Still Feel?	Elektra-EEG

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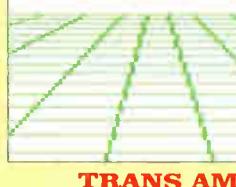
▼ chart topper/#1 core



SLEATER-KINNEY

▼ #1 debut

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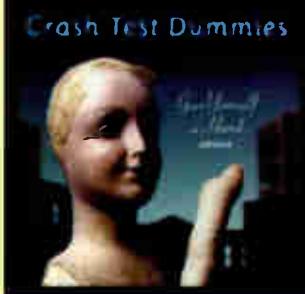


▼ up 130 positions



POST MARKED STAMPS

▼ #2 debut



CRASH TEST DUMMIES

▼ #3 debut



LADYBUG TRANSISTOR

CHART ACTIVITY



OLIVIA TREMOR CONTROL

Radio 200: #8 debut
Core Radio: #5 debut

As one of the flagship bands of the Elephant Six collective, Athens, Georgia's Olivia Tremor Control possesses a requisite devotion to Beatles- and Beach Boys-styled pop. Where OTC diverges from the E6 formula, however, is in its adventurousness and easy experimentation. *Black Foliage* is no less than 27 tracks, with each one whipping up an indelible thematic idea or two and adeptly darting around it before leaping to the next. Though this album is only OTC's sophomore effort, it has a first week on the charts to make any college radio veteran proud: top-ten debuts on both the Radio 200 and Core charts.



ELF POWER

Radio 200: 140-36
Core Radio: #22 debut

Arena Rock's Elf Power is also an official member of the Elephant Six collective, and like most of the bands who claim allegiance to the movement, it makes its mark by choosing its favorite element of the style and doing it better than anyone else. For Elf Power, these elements include a certain lyrical whimsy and mysticism (c.f. the band's name). *A Dream In Sound* is a change for the Athens, Georgia, band in that its production is much cleaner and crisper than the group's past work, but the magic of Elf Power's songs continues to draw in college radio programmers. *A Dream...* leaps 104 positions on the Radio 200 and debuts at #22 at Core.

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TW	LW	2W	PK	WKS	ARTIST + TITLE	LABEL
64	69	83	64	5	GRAND MAL Maledictions	Slash
65	75	103	65	4	THEE MICHELLE GUN ELEPHANT Gear Blues	Heatwave-Triad
66	114	171	66	3	SDUNTRACK SLC Punk	Hollywood
67	39	25	20	8	GIGOLD AUNTS Minor Chords And Minor Themes	E Pluribus Unum
68	65	43	41	8	BIG RUDE JAKE Big Rude Jake	Roadrunner
69	61	76	48	6	BDY SETS FIRE In Chrysalis (EP)	Initial
70	52	55	22	7	ADEN Black Cow	TeenBeat
71	59	86	59	4	PDP UNKNOWN Summer Season Kills	Deep Elm
72	71	47	46	8	STEVE EARLE & THE DEL MCCOURY BAND The Mountain	E-Squared
73	68	95	57	6	BAILTER SPACE Solar 3	Turnbuckle
74	94	90	74	4	VARIDUS ARTISTS Big Dirty Beats 2	Moonshine
75	43	38	24	8	PAN SONIC A	Blast First-Mute
76	63	42	39	7	AUTECHRE Peel Sessions	Warp/Nothing-Interscope
77	45	39	16	9	SAM PREKOP Sam Prekop	Thrill Jockey
78	129	188	78	3	KODD Sai-So — The Remix Project	Red Ink
79	73	75	73	7	KISS DFFS Goodbye Private Life	Peek-A-Boo
80	125	49	49	4	POLE CD 1	Matador
81	70	48	6	11	DON CABALLERO Singles Breaking Up Vol. 1	Touch And Go
					▶▶▶ #3 DEBUT ◀◀◀	
82	—	—	82	1	LADYBUG TRANSISTOR The Albermarle Sound	Merge
					▶▶▶ #4 DEBUT ◀◀◀	
83	—	—	83	1	SONGS: DHIA Axxess & Ace	Secretly Canadian
84	67	37	20	10	FUN LOVIN' CRIMINALS 100% Colombian	Virgin
85	79	128	79	3	DAMIEN JURADO Rehearsals For Departure	Sub Pop
86	82	118	82	4	3 CLOURS RED Revolt	Epic
87	103	113	87	5	KELLY WILLIS What I Deserve	Rykodisc
88	88	—	88	2	MUSTARD PLUG Pray For Mojo	Hopeless
89	130	104	89	7	DELIRIANTS The Deliriants	Futura
90	98	116	90	3	LIMP Guitarded	Honest Don's
91	42	32	26	9	SMDG Knock Knock	Drag City
92	182	150	92	4	DRUNK Raised Toward	Jagjaguwar
93	124	97	93	8	CESAR RDSS Soul Disguise	Rykodisc
94	93	—	93	2	GROOVIE GHOUlies Fun In The Dark	Lookout!
95	101	140	95	3	GUS Word Of Mouth Parade	Almo Sounds
96	41	36	25	7	VARIDUS ARTISTS Anti-Racist Action Benefit	Asian Man-Attitude
97	113	193	97	3	DANIELSDN FAMILIE Tri-Danielson!!! (Ω)	Tooth & Nail
98	118	56	30	9	DOVETAIL JOINT 001	Columbia-CRG
99	80	46	7	12	LAGWAGON Let's Talk About Feelings	Fat Wreck Chords
100	126	163	100	3	SILVERCHAIR Neon Ballroom	Epic
101	74	63	36	7	QUINTRON These Hands Of Mine	Rhinestone-Skin Graft
102	56	54	39	7	TOBIN SPROUT Let's Welcome The Circus People	Luna
103	119	100	83	9	CHERYL WHEELER Sylvia Hotel	Philo-Rounder
104	90	78	57	9	SNAKEFARM Songs From My Funeral	Kneeling Elephant-RCA
105	120	108	105	4	VARIOUS ARTISTS Japan Not For Sale	Columbia-CRG
106	96	77	54	7	LOWER EAST SIDE STITCHES Staja98L.E.S.	Ng
107	173	—	107	2	CHRIS SMITHER Drive You Home Again	Hightone
108	100	64	56	8	CDLLECTIVE SOUL Dosage	Atlantic
109	87	82	22	11	SUGAR RAY 14:59	Lava-Atlantic
110	62	65	56	6	SDUNDTRACK Hedwig And The Angry Inch	Atlantic
111	109	105	47	8	PEECHEES Life	Kill Rock Stars
112	153	—	112	2	GRAVEL PIT Silver Gorilla	Q Division
113	104	52	3	11	MOJAVE 3 Out Of Tune	4AD-Sire
114	181	—	114	2	BADMARSH & SHRI Dancing Drums	Dutcaste-Tommy Boy
115	—	—	115	1	DELGADOS Peloton	Mantra-Beggars Banquet
					▶▶▶ #1 JAZZ ◀◀◀	
116	78	58	42	9	JDHN CDLTRANE The Classic Quartet: Complete Impulse! Sessions	Impulse!-GRP
117	142	91	91	5	VIRGOS MERLOT Signs Of A Vacant Soul	Atlantic
118	152	—	118	2	LILLINGTDNS Death By Television	Panic Button
119	122	—	119	2	WEDDING PRESENT Singles 1989-1991	Manifesto
120	117	—	117	2	ISOTOPE 217 Commander Mindfuck/Designer (EP)	Aesthetics
121	116	53	2	TAKAKD MINEKAWA Cloudy Cloud Calculator	Emperor Norton	
122	—	—	122	1	TEEN IDDLs Pucker Up!	Honest Don's
123	105	34	4	10	PASTELS Illuminati	Up
124	190	—	124	2	FRIENDS OF DEAN MARTINEZ Atardecer	Knitting Factory
125	136	87	74	6	AVENGERS Died For Your Sins	Lookout!
126	—	—	126	1	DIDO The Highbury Fields EP	Arista
127	83	—	83	2	GOURDS Ghosts Of Hallelujah	Munich
128	85	96	10	11	MXPX Let It Happen	Tooth & Nail
129	99	85	35	9	1000 CLOWNS Freelance Bubblehead	Elektra-EEG
130	150	136	130	5	TOMMY CASTRO Right As Rain	Blind Pig
131	—	—	131	1	GO-BETWEENS 78 'Til 79 The Lost Album	Jetset

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TW	LW	2W	PK	WKS	ARTIST + TITLE	LABEL
132	97	68	16	17	LO-FIDELITY ALLSTARS How To Operate With A Blown Mind	Skint/Columbia-CRG
133	—	—	133	1	NUTLEY BRASS Ramones Songbook	Medicine
134	106	79	61	7	JEEP BEAT COLLECTIVE Technics Chainsaw Massacre	Bomb Hip-Hop
135	91	98	4	24	FATBOY SLIM You've Come A Long Way, Baby	Astralwerks
136	148	88	78	9	ADRIAN BELEW Salad Days	Thirsty Ear
137	128	143	87	6	BANYAN Any Time At All	Higher Octave
138	132	161	132	4	VIDEODRONE Videodrone	Elementree-Reprise
139	145	110	70	8	FU MANCHU Eatin' Dust	Man's Ruin
140	92	107	81	7	DAMNATIONS TX Half Mad Moon	Sire
141	127	179	127	3	MEAT PUPPETS Live In Montana	Rykodisc
142	135	135	103	4	AMERICAN FOOTBALL American Football (EP)	Polyvinyl
143	151	167	31	10	MUSLIMGAUZE Hussein Mahmood Jeeb Tehar Gass	Soleilmoon
144	76	57	25	9	PINEHURST KIDS Minnesota Hotel	4 Alarm
145	189	—	145	2	SKALARIS Change Up	Moon Ska
146	157	169	146	3	MONOSTAR The Airport	Soap-The Music Cartel
147	158	164	147	3	NO MOTIV And The Sadness Prevails	Vagrant
148	—	—	148	1	OWSLEY Owlsley	Giant-WB
149	166	139	139	6	JUNGLE FUNK Jungle Funk	Zebra
150	134	74	43	11	MARVELOUS 3 Hey! Album	HiFi/Elektra-EEG
151	102	92	53	6	ENEMYMINE Enemymine (EP)	K
152	195	131	131	5	OLEANDER Febuary Son	Republic-Universal
153	—	—	153	1	SOUNDTRACK The Mod Squad	Elektra-EEG
154	199	—	154	2	CRANBERRIES "Promises" (CD5)	Island
155	115	73	25	10	GLORIA RECORD The Gloria Record (EP)	Crank!
156	—	—	156	1	JOHN SIMS Palomino	Bedazzled
157	197	177	157	3	SOUNDTRACK Cruel Intentions	Virgin
158	—	—	158	1	CASSANDRA WILSON Traveling Miles	Blue Note
159	159	—	159	2	VARIOUS ARTISTS Virgin Voices: A Tribute To Madonna	Cleopatra
160	—	—	160	1	SIMON SAYS Jump Start	Hollywood
161	137	125	125	3	MOUNTAIN GOATS Protein Source Of The Future...Now!	Ajax
162	89	72	59	8	TRINKET Trinket	RCA
163	162	155	9	26	CAKE Prolonging The Magic	Capricorn
164	170	127	78	7	FRONTSIDE Frontside	Wax Trax!-TVT
165	—	137	137	6	CEPHAS & WIGGINS Homemade	Alligator
166	188	—	166	2	CHAMBER STRINGS Gospel Morning	Bobsled
167	139	81	27	9	BOWLING GREEN One Pound Note	Nothing-Interscope
168	107	147	107	5	WACO BROTHERS Waco World	Bloodshot
169	111	70	53	8	GODSPEED YOU BLACK EMPEROR! Slow Riot For New Zero Kanada (EP)	Kranky
170	—	—	170	1	IGUANAS Sugar Town	Koch
171	196	—	112	5	SCHRASJ F	Ojet
172	—	—	172	1	MEG HENTGES Brompton's Cocktail	My Young Auntie
173	—	—	173	1	VINICIUS CANTUARIA Tucuma	Verve
174	133	158	133	5	SOUNDTRACK 200 Cigarettes	Mercury
175	77	61	5	11	VARIOUS ARTISTS Songs For The Jet Set Vol. 2	Jetset
176	138	149	138	7	BONNIE PRINCE BILLY I See A Darkness	Palace
177	—	200	177	3	SAY ZUZU Bull	Broken White
178	—	—	178	1	VERSUS Afterglow (EP)	Merge
179	—	106	11	10	BOO RADLEYS King Size	Creation-Never
180	143	160	129	5	GROUNDSWELL UK Corrode	Gig
181	—	—	1	26	BELLE & SEBASTIAN The Boy With The Arab Strap	Matador
182	161	111	111	6	SKANATRA Skanatra	P.O.S.
183	—	—	183	1	LEADBELLY Sings For Children	Smithsonian
184	160	134	134	3	CORNELIUS FM	Folkways
185	—	—	185	1	COREY HARRIS Greens From The Garden	Matador
186	—	—	179	2	MOCEAN WORKER Mixed Emotional Features	Alligator
187	—	—	187	1	DDT Urban Observer	Palm Pictures-Rykodisc
188	165	—	165	2	SQUATWEILER Horsepower	Elektra-EEG
189	175	120	120	5	MUCHO MACHO The Limehouse Link	spinART
190	—	—	190	1	DAVID SYLVIAN Dead Bees On A Cake	Beggars Banquet
191	176	182	154	5	FLEMING & JOHN The Way We Are	Virgin
192	123	115	52	8	CASSIUS 1999	Universal
193	—	—	193	1	ROSIE FLORES Dance Hall Dreams	Astralwerks
194	141	99	84	6	VARIOUS ARTISTS Up Next	Rounder
195	—	—	195	1	GUNGA DIN Introducing The Gunga Din	Up
196	—	—	15	8	VARIOUS ARTISTS YoYo A Go Go: Another Live Compilation	Tractor Beam
197	121	102	102	3	FAMILY FODDER Savoir Faire: The Best Of Family Fodder	YoYo
198	—	—	108	8	PETER HIMMELMAN Love Thinketh No Evil	Dark Beloved Cloud
199	169	174	123	6	JOHN P. STROHM Vestavia	Six Degrees-Koch
200	193	—	193	1	BADAWI The Heretic Of Ether	Flat Earth
						Asphodel



TRANS AM

Radio 200: #43

Core Radio: #27

Adds: #17 with 23 reports

Washington, DC's Trans Am has been saddled with the "post-rock" tag for the majority of the decade, but as time passes and the band further develops its rock/electronic experiments, it's growing into a mini-genre of its own. Taking the Man vs. Machine theories of Kraftwerk and translating them for the modern American musical landscape, *Futureworld* (Thrill Jockey) takes brainy guitar work and seamlessly combines it with drum machine beats, synth chords and vocoder-laced vocals (a first — Trans Am had been instrumental up until this album). For its second week at radio, Trans Am garners a few more Adds and debuts respectably on both the Radio 200 and Core charts.



DJ KRUSH

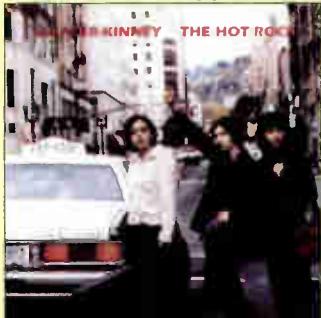
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RPM: 5-10

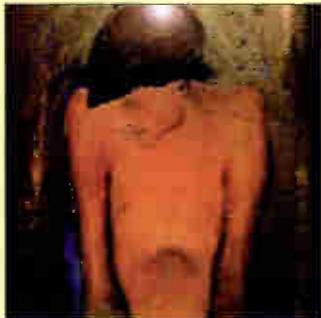
Ki-Oku (Eikoh-Instinct) is the licensed domestic release of a Japanese album, but its success at college radio speaks to its value to new music fans everywhere. Pairing the popular DJ Krush with Japanese trumpeter Toshinori Kondo, whose 20-year career has included work with Herbie Hancock, John Zorn, Bill Laswell and Ryuichi Sakamoto, *Ki-Oku* is a compelling marriage of cool urban soundscapes with sizzling horn playing. Though the album is losing steam on the RPM chart, non-specialty college radio programmers are picking up on the vibe, rocketing the album 63 positions on the Radio 200 and debuting it at #29 on Core Radio.

▼ chart topper



SLEATER-KINNEY

▼ #1 debut



BLUR

▼ #2 debut



ELF POWER

▼ #3 debut



TRANS AM

▼ #4 debut



**DJ KRUSH/
TOSHINORI KONDO**

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CORE RADIO

Contributing reporters this week: 74 • See page 41 for a complete list of airplay reports.

TW	LW	PK	WKS	ARTIST + TITLE	LABEL
1	1	1	5	SLEATER-KINNEY The Hot Rock	Kill Rock Stars
2	4	2	3	BETH ORTON Central Reservation	deConstruction-Arista
3	3	2	7	SEBADOH The Sebadoh	Sub Pop-Sire
4	2	1	9	BUILT TO SPILL Keep It Like A Secret	Warner Bros.
5	56	5	2	OLIVIA TREMOR CONTROL Black Foliage: Animation Music Volume One	Flydaddy
6	6	6	5	XTC Apple Venus Vol. 1	Idea-TV
7	5	5	3	WILCO Summer Teeth	Reprise
8	8	5	5	BEN LEE Breathing Tornados	Grand Royal-Capitol
9	7	4	6	ROOTS Things Fall Apart	MCA
10	17	10	3	RENTALS Seven More Minutes	Maverick-Reprise
11	10	10	3	LOOPER Up A Tree	Sub Pop
12	14	12	2	LOW Secret Name	Kranky
13	9	9	5	KID SILVER Dead City Sunbeams	Jetset
14	32	14	2	FRANK BLACK & THE CATHOLICS Pistolero	spinART
15	16	12	4	OF MONTREAL The Gay Parade	Bar/None
16	19	16	2	BEULAH When Your Heartstrings Break	Sugar Free
17	38	17	2	MAKE-UP I Want Some	K
►►► #1 DEBUT ◀◀◀					
18	—	18	1	BLUR 13	Virgin
19	11	8	6	BURNING AIRLINES Mission: Control!	DeSoto
20	37	20	3	VARIOUS ARTISTS Reich Remixed	Nonesuch
21	33	21	2	DROPKICK MURPHYS The Gang's All Here	Hellcat-Epitaph
►►► #2 DEBUT ◀◀◀					
22	—	22	1	ELF POWER A Dream In Sound	Elephant Six-Arena Rock
23	13	13	6	ARLING & CAMERON All-In	Emperor Norton
24	23	23	4	VAN MORRISON Back On Top	Pointblank-Virgin
25	26	21	4	SILVER SCOOTER Orleans Parish	Peek-A-Boo
26	15	10	7	CREATURES Anima Animus	Instinct
27	—	27	1	TRANS AM Futureworld	Thrill Jockey
28	53	28	2	ENGINE DOWN Under The Pretense	Lovitt
29	—	29	1	DJ KRUSH & TOSHINORI KONDO Ki-Oku	Instinct
30	46	26	3	ROB SWIFT The Ablist	Asphodel
31	34	31	3	PRINCE PAUL A Prince Among Thieves	Tommy Boy
32	49	32	3	LATIN PLAYBOYS Dose	Atlantic
33	22	22	5	PAUL WESTERBERG Suicaine Gratification	Capitol
34	44	34	3	KLEENEX GIRL WONDER Ponyoak	March
35	36	35	4	SPY Music To Mauzner By	Lava-Atlantic
36	28	22	7	STEVE EARLE & THE DEL MCCOURY BAND The Mountain	E-Squared
37	21	3	8	VARIOUS ARTISTS Pop Romantique: French Pop Classics	Emperor Norton
38	42	38	3	JOE HENRY Fuse	Mammoth
39	30	24	6	SOUNDTRACK Reach The Rock	Hefty
40	12	12	7	JIMMY EAT WORLD Clarity	Capitol
41	—	41	1	CORNELIUS CM	Matador
42	25	25	4	JIM O'ROURKE Eureka	Drag City
43	—	43	1	VARIOUS ARTISTS Post Marked Stamps	Tree
44	31	31	2	KREIDLER Appearance And The Park	Kill-SM-Mute
45	29	29	3	SQUAREPUSHER Budakan Mindphone (EP)	Warp/Nothing-Interscope
46	24	7	7	POSTER CHILDREN New World Record	spinART
47	41	4	9	IMPERIAL TEEN What Is Not To Love	Slash-London
48	—	48	1	CRASH TEST DUMMIES Give Yourself A Hand	Arista
49	58	39	8	CHERYL WHEELER Sylvia Hotel	Philo-Rounder
50	67	50	4	KELLY WILLIS What I Deserve	Rykodisc
51	27	1	11	ANI DIFRANCO Up Up Up Up Up	Righteous Babe
52	57	52	3	BAILTER SPACE Solar 3	Turnbuckle
53	51	30	7	SPARKLEHORSE Good Morning Spider	Capitol
54	39	12	8	BETA BAND The 3 E.P.'s	Astralwerks
55	43	12	7	ADEN Black Cow	TeenBeat
56	—	56	1	OLD 97'S Fight Songs	Elektra-EEG
57	18	12	7	PAN SONIC A	Blast First-Mute
58	55	55	2	BUCK-O-NINE Libido	TVT
59	62	46	4	KISS OFFS Goodbye Private Life	Peek-A-Boo
60	35	7	8	SAM PREKOP Sam Prekop	Thrill Jockey
61	—	61	1	CONTROLS One Hundred	Sm:je
62	R	28	3	POLE CD 1	Matador
63	68	44	6	LIVING END The Living End	Reprise
64	—	64	1	CHRIS SMITH Drive You Home Again	Hightone
65	20	10	8	SMOG Knock Knock	Drag City
66	45	2	11	DON CABALLERO Singles Breaking Up Vol. 1	Touch And Go
67	50	50	2	SEVEN PERCENT SOLUTION Gabriel's Waltz	X-Ray
68	—	68	1	LADYBUG TRANSISTOR The Albermarle Sound	Merge
69	64	51	4	SICK OF IT ALL Call To Arms	Fat Wreck Chords
70	73	70	2	THEE MICHELLE GUN ELEPHANT Gear Blues	Heatwave-Triad
71	—	71	1	SONGS: OHIA Axxess & Ace	Secretly Canadian
72	71	57	7	CESAR ROSAS Soul Disguise	Rykodisc
73	R	53	2	CITIZEN KING Mobile Estates	Warner Bros.
74	70	70	2	EMINEM The Slim Shady LP	Aftermath-Interscope
75	R	27	6	PEECHES Life	Kill Rock Stars

Chart information is based upon combined airplay reports from a sub-set of Radio 200 reporters that represents the most influential (based upon market size, market impact and market reach) college, commercial and non-commercial radio stations of the reporting panel.

RADIO 200 ADDS

TW	TOTAL ADDS	ARTIST + TITLE	LABEL
1	107	OWSLEY Owsley	Giant-WB
2	103	REGIA The Art Of Navigation	spinART
3	97	GO-BETWEENS 78 'Til 79 The Lost Album	Jetset
4	93	DELGADOS Peloton	Mantra-Beggars Banquet
5	76	DDT Urban Observer	Elektra-EEG
6	54	PONGA Ponga	Loosegroove
7	46	SONGS: OHIA Axxcess & Ace	Secretly Canadian
8	43	LADYBUG TRANSISTOR The Albermarle Sound	Merge
9	36	D.O.A. Festival Of Atheists	Sudden Death
10	35	SLEEPYHEAD The Brighter Shore	Sealed Fate
11	34	REAL MCKENZIES Clash Of The Tartans	Sudden Death
12	32	ENTRAIN Can U Get It	Dolphin Safe
13	28	BO BUD GREENE Las Olas	4 Alarm
14	26	DAVID SYLVIAN Dead Bees On A Cake	Virgin
15	24	NATACHA ATLAS Gedida	Mantra-Beggars Banquet
16	23	BUZZ PROPHETS Kentucky	Tender Stone
17	23	TRANS AM Futureworld	Thrill Jockey
18	22	SOUNDTRACK The Matrix	Maverick-WB
19	18	BLUR 13	Virgin
20	18	LIARS INC. Superjaded	Foodchain

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BLACK DAWN	Absence Of Time	Suicidal Groove	MEKONS	I Have Been To Hell And Back	Touch & Go
DWINDLE	Days Away	Guilt Ridden Pop	MOVIOLA	The Durable Dreams	Spirit Of Orr
ERNIES	Meson Ray	Mojo-Universal	PIZZICATO FIVE	The International ...	Matador
GERTY	Two Kisses In A Row	Plastique	SPACETIME CONTINUUM	Double Fine Zone	Astralwerks
LILYS	The 3-Way	Sire	JIMI TENOR	Organism	Warp-Sire
LONESOME ORGANIST	Cavalcade	Thrill Jockey	SHANNON WRIGHT	Flight Safety	Quarterstick
MAN OR ASTRO-MAN?	EEVIAC	Touch & Go			
JERRY DALE MCFADDEN	This Girl	Plug	BACKSLIDERS	Southern Lines	Mammoth Island
ME FIRST & THE GIMME GIMMES	Are a Drag	Fat Wreck	CRANBERRIES	Bury The Hatchet	

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To have your release listed in Going For Adds, please email the artist name, album title, label and date to cheryl@cmj.com.

COMMERCIAL ALTERNATIVE CUTS

Contributing reporters this week: 24 • See page 60 for a complete list of commercial alternative airplay reports.

TW	LW	PK	WKS	PLAYS	ARTIST + TITLE	LABEL
1	4	1	8	692	LIT My Own Worst Enemy	RCA
2	3	1	10	626	FATBOY SLIM Praise You	Astralwerks
3	1	1	12	620	CREED One	Wind-Up
4	5	4	9	564	OFFSPRING Why Don't You Get A Job	Columbia-CRG
5	2	1	8	544	COLLECTIVE SOUL Heavy	Atlantic
6	8	6	5	492	NO DOUBT New	Trauma-Interscope
7	6	4	14	487	ORGY Blue Monday	Reprise
►►► UP 5 POSITIONS ◀◀◀						
8	13	8	6	405	CITIZEN KING Better Days	Warner Bros.
9	12	9	4	374	GOO GOO DOLLS Dizzy	Warner Bros.
10	10	6	10	360	MARVELOUS 3 Freak Of The Week	HiFi/Elektra-EEG
11	9	1	24	347	EVERLAST What It's Like	Tommy Boy
12	16	12	3	344	CRANBERRIES Promises	Island
13	15	12	7	344	CAKE Sheep Go To Heaven	Capricorn
14	7	1	17	337	SUGAR RAY Every Morning	Lava-Atlantic
15	11	11	8	301	TIN STAR Head	V2
16	14	14	5	282	DOVETAIL JOINT Level On The Inside	Columbia-CRG
17	19	17	2	271	EVERLAST Ends	Tommy Boy
►►► #1 DEBUT ◀◀◀						
18	—	18	1	249	KORN Freak On A Leash	Immortal-Epic
19	—	19	1	237	JUDE Rick James	Maverick-WB
20	—	20	1	227	DANGERMAN Let's Make A Deal	550

Chart information is based on combined individual song airplay reports from CMJ's panel of commercial alternative radio stations.

▼ 107 adds



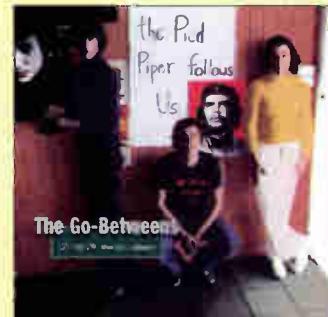
OWSLEY

▼ 103 adds



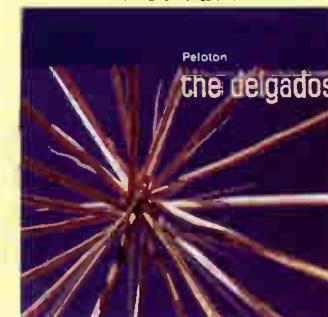
REGIA

▼ 97 adds



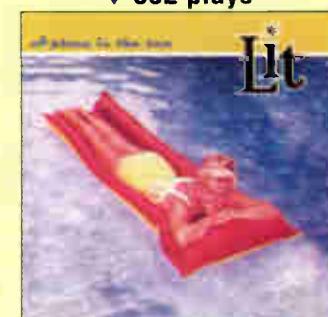
GO-BETWEENS

▼ 93 adds



DELGADOS

▼ 692 plays



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If TV networks can use airtime to promote their own shows, why can't *CMJ New Music Report* take the time to hype its online amigo, CMJ Online? Actually, we wouldn't even mention CMJ Online if it weren't for its recent re-launch. You may have noticed a new streamlined design, but the site's real story is that little search box that CMJ readers and browsers have been requesting for some time. Now, every record reviewed by the *CMJ New Music Report* (from its official debut in 1981 to the present day) is available through CMJ Online. That's more than 30,000 reviews, a considerable archive of new, alternative and groundbreaking music with plenty of those fun "For Fans Of" links to keep you zipping around the archive. Reporters to our Internet charts will be glad to know we've given them a key link right from the home page. We'll be improving and updating our Internet section online with more links and other tidbits that'll build up our growing community of Internet broadcasters and retailers. We do read our online feedback, so tell us what you think, and we'll keep refining the site. Our goal is to be one of your top five bookmarks.

TOP 5 BOOKMARKS

Steve Ciabattoni

Associate Editor/Producer, CMJ Online

1. The New York Times (www.nytimes.com/)

The best newspaper in the world – read it without getting all that messy ink on your fingers.

2. Industry Standard (www.thestandard.com/)

Smart savvy newsing and musing about the 'Net.

3. BBC Radio 1 (<http://www.bbc.co.uk/radio1/>)

Great archive of broadcasts including the excellent "Evening Session."

4. Merriam-Webster Dictionary (www.m-w.com/dictionary.htm)

Where I double-checked the hyphen usage of "re-launch."

5. Chalkhills (www.chalkhills.org/)

An XTC Resource. One of the better, well-updated fan sites around.

INTERNET BROADCAST

Total contributing reporters this week (both charts): 88 • See page 61 for a complete list of Internet Broadcast airplay reports.
Please direct all Internet chart inquiries to online@cmj.com.

TW	LW	PK	WKS	ARTIST + TITLE	LABEL
1	R	1	7	COLLECTIVE SOUL Dosage	Atlantic
2	11	2	28	CREED My Own Prison	Wind-Up
3	2	2	15	EVERLAST Whitey Ford Sings The Blues	Tommy Boy
4	R	1	25	HOLE Celebrity Skin	DGC
5	12	5	10	ORGY Candyass	Reprise
6	16	6	19	KORN Follow The Leader	Immortal-Epic
7	R	6	15	ROB ZOMBIE Hellbilly Deluxe	Geffen
8	20	8	12	FATBOY SLIM You've Come A Long Way, Baby	Astralwerks
9	R	2	6	SEBADOH The Sebadoh	Sub Pop-Sire
►►► #1 DEBUT ◀◀◀					
10	—	10	1	GODSMACK All Wound Up...	Republic
11	R	11	5	LIT A Place In The Sun	RCA
12	R	4	15	FLYS Holiday Man	Delicious Vinyl-Trauma
►►► #2 DEBUT ◀◀◀					
13	—	13	1	NO DOUBT "New"	Trauma-Interscope
14	R	5	19	MONSTER MAGNET Powertrip	A&M
15	21	12	4	CITIZEN KING Mobile Estates	Warner Bros.
16	R	10	2	BLUR 13	Virgin
17	—	17	1	LOUDMOUTH Loudmouth	Hollywood
18	R	4	12	METALLICA Garage Inc.	Elektra-EEG
19	22	1	17	OFFSPRING Americana	Columbia-CRG
20	—	20	1	JOYDROP Metosexual	Tommy Boy
21	R	5	19	HARVEY DANGER Where Have All The Merrymakers Gone?	Slash
22	19	19	2	SILVERCHAIR Neon Ballroom	Epic
23	R	7	13	STABBING WESTWARD Darkest Days	Columbia-CRG
24	—	24	1	CRANBERRIES "Promises" (CD5)	Island
25	—	25	1	OLEANDER Febuary Son	Republic-Universal

Chart information is based on a compilation of the most frequently streamed songs from a representative national sampling of Internet broadcasters, collected and provided to CMJ in part by broadcast.com. Would you like to simulcast your radio signal on the World Wide Web so that the entire world can listen in? It's easier than you might think. For more information, call broadcast.com at 214.748.6660.

INTERNET RETAIL

See page 61 for a complete list of Internet Retail sales reports.

TW	LW	PK	WKS	ARTIST + TITLE	LABEL
1	2	1	5	EMINEM The Slim Shady LP	Aftermath-Interscope
2	1	1	3	VAN MORRISON Back On Top	Pointblank-Virgin
►►► UP 17 POSITIONS ◀◀◀					
3	20	3	3	BAZ LUHRMANN Everybody's Free	Capitol
4	3	1	13	BRITNEY SPEARS ...Baby One More Time	Jive
5	8	4	15	FATBOY SLIM You've Come A Long Way, Baby	Astralwerks
6	7	6	4	TLC Fanmail	LaFace-Arista
7	4	2	14	CHER "Believe" (CD5)	Warner Bros.
►►► #1 DEBUT ◀◀◀					
8	—	8	1	BLUR 13	Virgin
9	10	1	27	LAURYN HILL The Miseducation Of Lauryn Hill	Ruffhouse/Columbia-CRG
10	12	2	16	OFFSPRING Americana	Columbia-CRG
11	11	11	3	CHARLOTTE CHURCH Voice Of An Angel	Sony
12	13	12	2	BETH ORTON Central Reservation	deConstruction-Arista
13	5	5	3	WILCO Summer Teeth	Reprise
14	9	2	23	SHANIA TWAIN Come On Over	Mercury
15	R	2	35	GARBAGE Version 2.0	Almo Sounds
16	16	7	25	GOO GOO DOLLS Dizzy Up The Girl	Warner Bros.
17	21	3	16	KORN Follow The Leader	Immortal-Epic
18	—	18	1	STEVIE RAY VAUGHAN AND DOUBLE TROUBLE The Real Deal	Epic Legacy
19	17	17	2	JEFF BECK Who Else!	Epic
20	R	19	8	LENNY KRAVITZ 5	Virgin
21	6	6	2	CORRS Talk On Corners	Atlantic
22	18	1	10	DAVE MATTHEWS/TIM REYNOLDS Live At Luther College	RCA
23	R	5	11	EVERLAST Whitey Ford Sings The Blues	Tommy Boy
24	—	24	1	CASSANDRA WILSON Traveling Miles	Blue Note
25	R	15	4	SUGAR RAY 14:59	Lava-Atlantic

Chart information is based on combined sales reports from CMJ's panel of leading online music retailers.

Labels Push To Prosecute MP3 Search Company

Universal Music, EMI and Time Warner have requested that a Norwegian police investigation unit begin prosecuting Fast Search and Transfer, the Norwegian company that provides Lycos with a directory of MP3 audio file searches. Lycos advertises that its MP3 search engine lists more than 500,000 MP3 files, though the service only offers links to the files, without actually creating or distributing the near CD-quality audio content. At the labels' request, the RIAA issued a statement claiming that the association was considering taking legal action against Lycos. RIAA President and CEO Hilary Rosen said that even in light of joint efforts with Lycos, she is "frustrated by the slow pace at which progress is being made." The recording industry estimates that it has lost \$38 billion in sales revenue due to the illegal reproduction and distribution of MP3 files.

Recording Academy Hosts Digital Music Conference

Recording artist Thomas Dolby and MP3.com CEO Michael Robertson will be among the participants at the Downloadable Music: Liberation or Exploitation Conference, hosted by the New York chapter of the Recording Academy. The April 24 event is a day-long exploration of the key issues surrounding music downloading. "All the major players will be here to look at all sides," said Tony Visconti, record producer and president of the New York chapter. In June, the Academy will host a conference about DVD. In September, the organization will host a conference about home studio projects.

AMP3.com To Launch Internet Star Search

Unsigned artists looking to cash in on MP3 have the opportunity to win \$1 million. AMP3.com's Web site will launch a new contest that will award a cash prize and a recording contract to one of 20 acts that log the most digital downloads from the site. A panel of judges will choose the winner, probably towards the end of the year.

Launch Media To Buy Sony News Service

Music Web site Launch Media (www.launch.com) has agreed to purchase  Sony Music Entertainment's SW Networks, a music and entertainment news service designed for radio stations. Sony Music has also indicated that it will purchase roughly \$1 million in shares of Launch Media, during an IPO scheduled for this month. Earlier this year, Launch.com purchased Musicvideos.com, while SW Networks bought into e-commerce and radio industry content provider OnRadio.

Third Annual Webby Awards Dished Out

Boasting only slightly less hype and fanfare than the Academy Awards, the International Academy of Digital Arts and Sciences' third annual Webby Awards (www.webbyawards.com) were recently held at San Francisco's Herbst Theater. Comedian Marc Maron hosted the event. A panel of judges that included David Byrne, director Francis Ford Coppola and *X-Files* star Gillian Anderson was present at the ceremony. The IADS handed out awards in 22 categories, from the technical to the twisted. Amazon.com won for best commerce site, PaperMag (www.papermag.com) won for best fashion site, SonicNet (www.sonicnet.com) won for best music site, CNN Interactive (www.cnn.com) won for best news site, The Onion (www.theonion.com) won for best humor site, and Freespeech Internet Television (www.freespeech.org) won for best radio site.

GoodNoise Completes \$31 Million Equity Financing

Leading digital download site GoodNoise (www.goodnoise.com) has announced that it has closed a round of a privately placed equity financing, which has raised approximately \$31 million. GoodNoise has earmarked the funding to license and acquire content and to promote the identity of the emusic.com brand name. The company will also invest in services and technology aimed to improve the experience of downloading music. 

'NET BRIEFS

Following the completed merger with N2K, CDnow's stock is trading on the Nasdaq exchange under the symbol "CDNW." In other CDnow news, the company has signed a multi-year, multi-million dollar agreement with major credit card issuer First USA. The deal, with a potential value of \$8 million, will allow for First USA advertising and marketing placement on CDnow's site...A new online record label, Stereo Society, can be found at www.stereosociety.com. Label founder Mike Thorne has produced albums for Soft Cell, Laurie Anderson, Wire, 'Til Tuesday and other artists. Stereo Society's roster includes Thorne's group Sprawl, a trio called Betty, CBGB founder Hilly Kristal, the Reds and Johnny Reinhard... Tunes.com is now offering MP3 and MP4 downloads of Public Enemy's controversial song "Swindler's Lust." In addition to appearing on www.PublicEnemy.com, the track will be available at www.Tunes.com and at its affiliates, www.RollingStone.com and www.TheSource.com...GoodNoise Corp. has hired advertising agency Scheyer/SF to design a new logo and image for the digital download site's new emusic.com brand name. The company will also work on comprehensive print, broadcast and online campaigns...America Online and BMG's Bugjuice.com have introduced a new "artist of the month" feature to AOL's Hear And Now section. Beth Orton was the first performer to be honored...Visitors to www.lennykravitz.com and www.a2bmusic.com may download an exclusive live track by Lenny Kravitz. The a2b-format track will expire 30 days after download unless fans also buy a Kravitz album from Tower Records Online or Ticketmaster Online...Custom CD and digital download giant Musicmaker.com has redesigned its site. The new, non-frames site allows for easier navigation and more customizable options...Tunes.com and Nullsoft have signed a deal to integrate RollingStone.com content into the new version of Nullsoft's Winamp player...Music.com has started a Flea Market section, which will feature general merchandise as well as used instruments, CDs, recording space, music instruction and memorabilia. The site will also auction off several coveted email addresses (singer@music.com)...Online and offline music distributor SpinRecords.com has started a new, sliding-scale artist royalty system. SpinRecords.com will offer its artists 60-80% of royalties on downloaded music...Technology company Pulse Entertainment has signed a partnership deal with RPM Internet radio station Radio-V.

Reviews

EUPHONE

The Calendar Of Unlucky Days (Jade Tree)

The Calendar Of Lucky Days finds the instrumental duo of Ryan Rapsys and Nick Macri adding new dimensions to its already eclectic, loose "post-rock."

The pair expands its instrumentation, paying more mind to Euphone's influences and reigning in its typically wide-ranging beat styles. While percussion still plays a key role in the Chicago band's sound — every rhythmic device, from timpani to drum machines are employed here — it's the intricate layering of jazz, rock, dub and funk forms that makes *The Calendar* such an engaging listen. The band's cerebral, cross-genre-splicing is best experienced on "Needle And Crate," a song that bristles with cool bass tones and deep, funky keyboards, or on "Wickedness," which is characterized by gurgling keys, stuttering drum machines and new wave-like production effects. — Kelso Jacks

For Fans Of: Bill Ding, Lee Scratch Perry, Brian Eno
Recommended Tracks: "Needle And Crate," "Broken Gourd," "Apostolic," "Wickedness"
Contact: Fred, Jennie, Dawn (McGathy)
Phone: 888 744 8636
Email: altdiv@aol.com
Fax: 212 924 7831
Release Date: April 20; at radio now
Marketing Data: Currently touring the Midwest and East Coast with Jets To Brazil; beginning a five-week tour of the U.S. with Joan Of Arc on June 4.

GAMEFACE

Every Last Time (Revelation)

Gameface hails from sunny Orange County, the veritable motherland of So-Cal pop-punk. But while Gameface's Revelation Records debut isn't lacking in the energy department, it would be a crime to consider it merely pop-punk.

Every Last Time is a radio-friendly collection of guitar-heavy, hook-based tunes that benefits from pristine production and Gameface's skill at laying its emotional cards face up on the table. Befuddled hardcore kids may scratch their heads over Gameface's signing to hardcore label Reve-

lation, but the group's undeniable talent and passion makes it just as relevant to the punk world as the most militant, politically active hardcore group. Gameface's gentle, honest tugs at the heartstrings are just as powerful as the most forceful sonic pummeling. — Amy Sciarretto

For Fans Of: Goo Goo Dolls, Texas Is The Reason, Shades Apart, Gin Blossoms

Recommended Tracks: "The Pirate Song," "Sweet Wreck," "My Star," "Last Of The Good Guys"

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Release Date: March 23; at radio now

NEUROSIS

Times Of Grace (Relapse)

Neurosis albums have never been passive listens. Dense, knotted and drenched with screaming vocals, the Bay Area band has steadily increased in its chaotic, desperate style since its beginnings as a hardcore outfit.



Though *Times Of Grace* is being released on the precipice of the millennium's brave new world, it couldn't be more primitive, animalistic and dark. It's a throttling, full-body assault from beginning to end, with an emotional intensity so true that it's practically impossible to detach yourself from the experience. You'll feel the band's ferocious discontent, right down to the marrow in your bones, and that's the point — to take siege of your senses and command your undivided attention. But the record's so intense that it's practically cleansing — if you can still move once it's over, that is. — Cheryl Botchick

For Fans Of: Today Is The Day, Slayer, Unsane

Recommended Tracks: "Suspended In Light," "Under The Surface," "Exist," "Descent"

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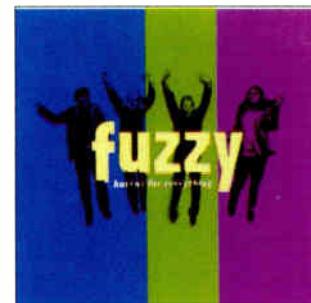
Release Date: May 4

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FUZZY

Hurray For Everything (Catapult)

Following two previous releases for Atlantic-distributed imprints Seed and TAG, Boston power-pop band Fuzzy finds itself with a new lineup and a new label, yet its overall sound is as immediately catchy as ever. Following 1996's *Electric Juices*, Nate Darden replaced drummer Dave Ryan



(though Ryan does appear on the chaotic "All Hung Up"), but the personnel change hasn't tarnished the group's bright, jangly melodies and firm walls of

harmony ("True Colors"). Led by guitarists Hilken Mancini and Chris Toppin, the band digs its heels into a dozen songs that make basic observations about human nature ("Band Of Gold"). Meanwhile, the Beantown trio's signature hooks and simplistic counter melodies continue to define its approach, without getting lost in the fuzz. — Glen Sansone

For Fans Of: Bangles, Go-Go's, Juliana Hatfield

Recommended Tracks: "Gave Into It," "Summer Is Gone," "All Hung Up," "Losing End"

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Release Date: April 12; at radio now

WE RAGAZZI

Suicide Sound System (My Pal God)

Suicide Sound System might be better-titled "Seduction Sound System." Focusing on the themes of lust, desire and isolation, We Ragazzi's stripped-down blues speaks to all of the randy, hot and bothered folks out there. Anthony Rolando's sneering, spat-out vocals play prominently in the mix,



ably working the listener into a frenzy with lines such as "Your tongue is a buzz in my mouth/It's all I can think about" and "You put a jinx in my pants/You put a drink in my hand/Oh, you were always the kind of superstition I liked." He's equal parts Mick Jagger and Prince. Put that stuttering, frustrated voice over stabbing guitar chords, sloppy drums, tinny cymbals and sumptuous, goth inspired keyboards and the end result is a sexy and bewitching lo-fi debut.

— Kelso Jacks

For Fans Of: Make-Up, Kiss Offs, Modern Lovers

Recommended Tracks: "Being Alive Is Like Vandalizin'," "Skinny Fingers," "I Wanna New Crush To Live For," "The Active"

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Release Date: March 29; at radio now
Marketing Data: Tour begins in June.

RAINER MARIA

Look Now Look Again (Polyvinyl)

Rainer Maria's sophomore effort is an ardent, emotionally stimulating album comprised of melodically violent music.



The skittish drumming supports large-sounding, open-tuned guitars and graceful, simple bass lines, providing the listener instant gratification

via immediately pleasing rock melodies. *Look Now's* songs are thick with character as well, as dramatic drum thunder interrupts the otherwise gentle "Rise." The tortured vocals of Caithlin Demarrais and Kyle Fischer emphasize the record's dark undertone. The interplay between Fischer's scraggly mumbling and Demarrais's bold, powerful wail is enough to make any sensitive soul reel, especially when the duo dreamily harmonizes on desperate lines such as "I want to go to far away places/But momentum makes my head ponderous and heavy." — Kelso Jacks

For Fans Of: Jen Wood, Jejune, Promise Ring

Recommended Tracks: "Breakfast Of Champions," "The Reason The Night Is Long," "Planetary," "Centrifuge"

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Release Date: April 12

Add Date: April 12

Marketing Data: On tour through June.

MUMBLIN JIM

The Rainbow Connection (Mod Lang)

With grooves smoother than a chocolate milkshake, San Francisco's Mumblin Jim drops a pocket full of magnetic funk and soul on your ear with its impressive debut album.

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Nakamura, *The Rainbow Connection* fires off a breezy compound of psychedelic garage pop, sanguine AM melodies and pimpadel-



ic soul power. The group hits a couple of potholes when it occasionally comes close to mimicking G. Love And Special Sauce, but when the Toronto quartet locks into full-on jams, it's impossible to remove *The Rainbow Connection* from the CD player. If you're having one of those days when you can't really decide whether to kick it at home with the Zombies or Jamiroquai, Mumblin' Jim will provide you with a happy medium. — Ron Hart

For Fans Of: Money Mark, G. Love & Special Sauce, Jamiroquai

Recommended Tracks: "Don't Push Away," "Second Floor Kitchen," "17 Reasons"

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Release Date: February 14; at radio now

Marketing Data: Playing select West Coast dates throughout the spring.

VARIOUS ARTISTS

Planet V (V-Ultra)

There's nothing to say about the *Planet V* compilation that can't be accurately inferred from the album's specs — two CDs, 20 tracks and fresh drum 'n' bass cuts by breakbeat royalty such as Roni Size, DJ Krust, Adam F, Ed Rush & Optical,

Peshay and many others. If you're not salivating yet, then perhaps we should make it plain and simple: *Planet V* rocks harder than Gibraltar. Flying under the flag of the exalted U.K. drum 'n' bass imprint V Recordings, each producer on this anthology puts his best beats forward and helps this release surpass its predecessors, in terms of the strength of the individual cuts and the overall continuity of the collection. Jungle massive, seek this out at once. — M. Tye Comer

For Fans Of: Roni Size, Ed Rush & Optical, Adam F

Recommended Tracks: "Brand New Funk" (Adam F), "Autumn" (DJ Die), "Windrush" (Roni Size)

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Release Date: April 6; at radio now

NECESSARY EVILS

The Sicko Inside Me (In The Red)

If bands like the Groovie Ghoulies are too cartoonish for your taste, and Man Or Astro-Man strikes you as a bit too kooky, the straight-arrow Necessary Evils just might be

your golden ticket to enjoying satisfactorily ferocious horror/sci-fi tinged garage rock.



Though their production values are downright scummy to begin with, the Evils' playing is so manic that no studio could ever hope to completely contain the fury, and *The Sicko Inside Me* thrives by constantly teetering on the edge of total chaos. The guitar playing of James Arthur (formerly of stripped-down garage trio Fireworks) is a key to the nasty sonics; his playing often sounds more like scraping metal or even a howling Theremin than the lead guitar in a garage rock band. Who needs higher intelligence when we've got all the raucous rock 'n' roll we need right here on Earth? — Cheryl Botchick

For Fans Of: Cheater Slicks, Dead Moon, Scientists, Dirty

Recommended Tracks: "Love Handles," "Get It Out Of My Brain," "Hale Bopp," "Brainwasher"

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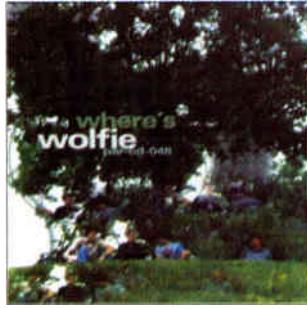
Release Date: April 1; at radio now

Marketing Data: Touring the West Coast in May and Europe in the fall.

WOLFIE

Where's Wolfie (Parasol)

There's something ingenious about Wolfie's simplistic take on indie-pop. With precociously sweet male/female vocals, jaunty organ melodies and crudely bashed-out rhythms, the band's appeal is inarguably one of pure, cute fun. But the Champaign-Urbana, Illinois, quartet also instills its songs with a certain fresh-faced urgency



that turns its typically sub-two-minute bursts into clever celebrations of youth. *Where's Wolfie*, the band's second album, mines a number of classic pop influences, but none may be more spot-on than the cartoonish playfulness of Herman's Hermits. Wolfie may not be the most adept group of players, but the kids certainly make up for their greenness with deceptively sharp melodic ideas and irrepressible energy. — Colin Helms

For Fans Of: Weezer, Of Montreal, Papas Fritas, acoustic Superchunk

Recommended Tracks: "You're Lucky I'm Skinny" (also a 7"

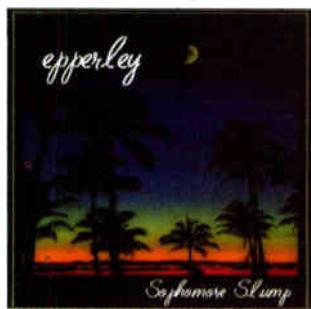
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single), "Steely Dan," "Busy Busy Busy," "It's Thursday, Not Sunday (Thank Goodness)"
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Release Date: March 30
Add Date: April 5
Marketing Data: Album includes re-recorded version of "You're Lucky I'm Skinny" 7" single; Wolfie is playing assorted Midwest, Southeast and East Coast dates from May through June.

EPPERLEY

Sophomore Slump (Triple X)

"You're So 1988" is not only the name of a song on power-pop unit Epperley's *Sophomore Slump*, it also seems to be an accurate description of the Tulsa, Oklahoma, quartet's latest work. Whereas the band's eponymous debut loosely copped from '90s mainstays such as Nirvana and Soul Asylum, the witty and sarcastic follow-up draws heavily on styles and sounds picked up from modern rock's aging forefathers. Produced by Jake from MTV's short lived series *Squirt TV*, this 11-track collection impressively fuses Pixies-esque guitar blasts with swirling new wave harmonics and a wry slacker demeanor that seems to affect a lot of new bands that work under the Manhattan sun. It's nice to see that smirk on the face of indie pop again. — Ron Hart



For Fans Of: Pavement, Pixies, Sloan, Imperial Teen
Recommended Tracks: "Crystal," "You're So 1988," "You Think Too Much And Then You Die"
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Release Date: February 16; at radio now
Marketing Data: National tour this spring.

ENGINE DOWN

Under the Pretense Of Present Tense (Lovitt)

The math-rock song structures on Engine Down's *Under The Pretense Of Present Tense* hum ominously at first, but the momentum slowly builds into an intense audio explosion. The album is brainy yet volcanic "screamo rock" that



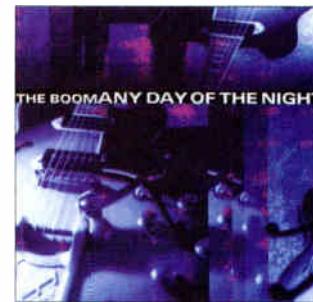
smartly makes use of the principle of soft/loud song dynamics; the quiet, low-key passages give way to blasts of discordance and scorching guitar riffs. After each technically stunning outburst, Engine Down leaves a wake of destruction, yet still manages to build alternately understated and corrosive tracks from the scattered debris. Every moment on this debut is fraught with tension and dissonance, and although Engine Down is an acquired taste, it's well-worth getting used to the flavor. — Amy Sciarretto

For Fans Of: Fugazi, Drive Like Jehu, Sleepytime Trio, Mohinder, A Minor Forest
Recommended Tracks: "Castalia," "Slingshot," "Dead Letter," "Daredevil"
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Release Date: March 16; at radio now

THE BOOM

Any Day Of The Night (Slowdime)

The best way for a band to avoid being lumped into a current scene is for it to fearlessly throw a big bag of styles at the listener. The Boom comes at you with loaded guitars, drums and a horn section, ready to leap from good 'n' greasy soul to skankin'



York. While sax, trombone and trumpet wiggle around in "Honey On A Biscuit," Freddie T. cooks up a chunky funk with rhythm guitar that's so thick and nasty that you wouldn't be surprised if you found an equal number of skatepunks and hepcats at The Boom's live gigs. — Steve Ciabattoni

For Fans Of: Galactic, Booker T. & The MG's, Lounge Lizards, Skatalites

Recommended Tracks: "Pow Wow," "Biloxi Boardwalk," "Free Time," "Honey On A Biscuit"

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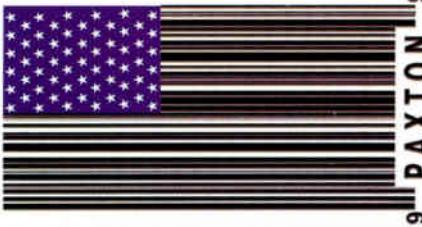
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JIGSAW SEEN

"Celebrity Interview" (7") (Vibro-Phonic)

Jigsaw Seen's extremely catchy "Celebrity Interview"



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possesses a definite affection for the frothy guitar sounds of British Invasion rock. The song, however, gets its personality from cheeky, well-placed string plucks. Meanwhile, "Another Predictable Song" introduces a more psychedelic side to the band. — Kelso Jacks

For Fans Of: Creation, Kinks, Sloan, Push Kings

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Release Date: March 09

Marketing Data: The full-length album, *Zenith*, is due out on Vibro-Phonic this summer.

GHOSTS AND VODKA

Memento Mori (7" EP) (Hefty)

Ghosts And Vodka's *Memento Mori* is an elo-

quent piece of instrumental post-hardcore. "Cowboys And Sailors" is a speedy tune, heavy with jagged, stop-start guitars and drum smacks. "Doo Dee Doo Dee Do" shows more thoughtfulness, spinning and pulsing with remarkable precision. Finally, "Stoli On The Rocks" reveals a worldly side to the band, featuring tasteful, well-executed, classical-inspired guitar picking. — Kelso Jacks

For Fans Of: Joan Of Arc, Third Harmonic Distortion, Lullaby For The Working Class

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Release Date: February 2

Marketing Data: The band is comprised of former members of Joan Of Arc and Cap'n Jazz.

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DEEP PURPLE



truth, and Deep Purple has served every last one of those rockers over the course of 30 years and seven (!) different line-ups. It's high time that the band's leaden rock 'n' roll gets the deluxe treatment. *Shades 1968-1998* does just that, featuring 62 tracks, copious liner notes, detailed listings of lineup changes, a full discography, lots of photos and a few essential, Spinal Tap-like shots of the band in the early '70s with its monstrous private jet. But behind the stone-faced manliness of the bandmembers is a whole lotta stone-faced, manly rock, from which they never once blinked in three decades and through countless musical fads. *Shades* is awesome, if you're metal enough to take four hours of relentless heavy riffs and arena-filling, headbanging classics. And if you're not, then it's time to beef up! — Cheryl Botchick

For Fans Of: Monster Magnet, Nazareth, Metallica's "black album," Mountain

Recommended Tracks: "Smoke On The Water," "Speed King," "Demon's Eye," "Fools," "Highway Star"

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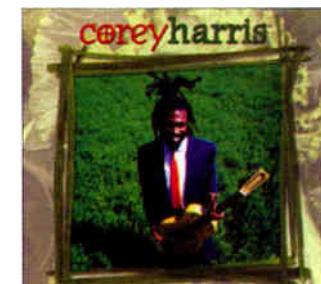
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ROOTS 'N' BLUES

COREY HARRIS

Greens From The Garden (Alligator)

Like a latter day Taj Mahal, Corey Harris has established himself as a premier post-modern interpreter and preserver of the blues in the modern era. Just when the



genre seems to be dying out, along comes someone like Taj or Corey to help preserve and protect this important musical heritage.

Over the course of his three albums, the dreadlocked guitarist has explored a myriad array of blues styles, and *Greens From The Garden* is no exception; it spans a wide range of musical styles, including hints of acoustic, electric small-combo, gospel, Delta, and even ragtime styles, as well as several exciting solo steel guitar pieces. Whatever kind of blues you like, there is something in Harris' bag that is guaranteed to please. For his depth and

FLASHBACK

DEEP PURPLE

Shades 1968-1998 (Rhino)

"You've got to understand that some people just want to rock," writes time-honored, Los Angeles radio personality Jim Ladd, in the liner notes to this colossal four-disc box set of heavy metal. Well, ain't that the

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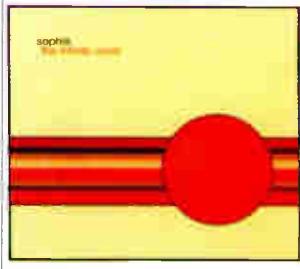
diversity, Corey Harris is one of the modern masters of the blues. *Greens From The Garden* takes his music to the next level, ranking him as one of the guiding lights of a timeless form in the '90s — James Lien

Recommended Tracks: "Wild West," "Eh La Bas," "Congo Square Rag," "Diddy Wah Diddy"
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Release Date: March 23; at radio now

SOPHIA

A&R PICK

The Infinite Circle (Flower Shop)
Before this new release, Sophia consisted of former God Machine vocalist Robin Proper-Sheppard and a rotating



cast of backing musicians labeled "the Sophia collective." Ex-members of Swervedriver have since come aboard, solidifying the guitar and bass portion of the band's lineup. Sophia, however, is nothing like its parent acts. *The Infinite Circle* crawls dramatically with the nasal Proper-Sheppard playing woeful acoustic guitar melodies while he recounts stories of happy whores and wasted time. While these plaintive ballads could be lullabies, they won't lull listeners to sleep; the recollections of deeply buried pain transport the songs to the deepest, most inner chambers of the heart. Sophia is a beautifully melancholic band capable of forcing even the perkiest cheerleader into fits of weeping. — Amy Sciarretto

For Fans Of: Smog, God Machine, Swervedriver, Mazzy Star, Far
Recommended Tracks: "If Only," "I'd Rather," "Every Day," "Woman," "Within Without," "The River Song,"
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IMPERIAL DRAG

Imperial Drag (WORK)



When glossy power-pop band Jellyfish arrived in the early '90s with its cotton candy-sweet melodies, Beatlesque leanings and often downright Queen-like sonics, it landed right in the middle of the grunge explosion. The timing, needless to say, couldn't have been worse, despite the band's couple of small successes with singles at commercial radio. But with Jason Falkner's recent album on Elektra peaking at #4 on the CMJ Radio 200, it's fair to say that music fans have finally warmed up to the heavily stylized work of this alternative pop band's former members. Unfortunately, the best post-Jellyfish configuration of its participants has already come and gone without making

the commercial splash it deserved. Fronted by former touring Jellyfish member Eric Dover, who teamed with co-songwriter Roger Manning, a Jellyfish staple, Imperial Drag released its only album in May of 1996 on WORK. It's the key to recent bands of its ilk, though, in how it strikes a perfect balance between all the characteristics of the genre's past and present. It's impossibly catchy without being cheesy; rocking and guitar-oriented but centered around melody; slightly glam but still gritty. Most importantly, though, it was poppy and cute enough to make teenage girls swoon, but still warped and subversive enough lyrically to keep the proverbial older brothers and sisters interested (think "Go All The Way" by the Raspberries). If you love the sound of Jellyfish hits but cringe at the goofy hats and outfits, or if you groove to Jason Falkner's solo rock songwriting but long for a little more confection, *Imperial Drag* is the album to seek out. — Cheryl Botchick

For Fans Of: Cheap Trick, Posies, Badfinger, T. Rex
Bio Fact: Imperial Drag co-songwriter and keyboardist Roger Manning is now one-half of the clever covers duo Moog Cookbook; Manning has also performed with Beck; Eric Dover is at work on a solo album.

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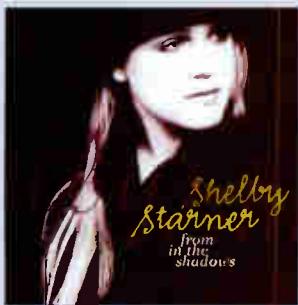
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SHELBY STARNER

From In The Shadows (Warner Bros.)

When 15-year old Shelley Starner was introduced at the 1998 AAA conference, she received a lot of skeptical looks. But concerns about her being pitched as the "next Fiona Apple" quickly dissipated as she took to the piano and demonstrated her artful touch. While being a young singer-songwriter/pianist may not be original in itself, Starner's soulful, subtle style is. For her debut, a small but smartly arranged combo backs her crystalline vocals, which project lyrical wisdom beyond her teenage years. In "Don't Let Them," Starner demands maturity from herself, demonstrating her clear voice and its Kate Bush-like emotive power: "Don't let them tell you you're a child/Be a woman and not a girl/In this man's world."

For Fans Of: Fiona Apple, Kate Bush, Tori Amos

Recommended Tracks: "Don't Let Them," "Fall," "Prisoner"

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Release Date: April 6; at radio now

Marketing Data: Currently on tour.

KINGFISH

Sundown On The Forest (Phoenix Rising)

While Jerry Garcia, Bob Weir, Mookie Siegel, Robbie Hoddingott and Steve Kinlock have all been Kingfishers, it's Matthew Kelly's bluesy groove-rockin' guitar and vocal style that drives the band. Their first studio album in 20 years, *Sundown* also includes a previously unreleased 1973 Jerry Garcia guitar solo woven into "Ridin' High."

For Fans Of: Grateful Dead, Phish, Strangefolk

Recommended Tracks: "Burning In My Heart," "It Don't Take Much," "Hurt Enough"

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Release Date: April 20

MARY LEE'S CORVETTE

True Lovers Of Adventure (Wild Pitch)

Mary Lee Kortes's country-cabaret voice landed her 1997 D.I.Y. debut onto many Triple A playlists. But her more sophisticated sophomore album, featuring some genuine production and fresh songs, should find her an even wider audience. "Labor Of Love" in particular, complete with quirky guitar riffs, a deep bass groove, string quartet and punchy vocals, brings out the best from this budding songstress.

For Fans Of: Cowboy Junkies, Edith Piaf, Michelle Lewis

Recommended Tracks: "Labor Of Love," "One Thousand Promises Later," "If I Were You"

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Column by D.M. Avery

TW	LW	PK	WKS	ARTIST + TITLE	LABEL
1	2	1	4	BETH ORTON Central Reservation	deConstruction-Arista
2	1	1	4	VAN MORRISON Back On Top	Pointblank-Virgin
3	4	3	4	WILCO Summer Teeth	Reprise
4	5	2	8	STEVE EARLE & THE DEL MCCOURY BAND The Mountain	E-Squared
5	7	5	5	XTC Apple Venus Vol. 1	Idea-TVT
6	12	6	5	KELLY WILLIS What I Deserve	Rykodisc
7	6	3	8	CESAR ROSAS Soul Disguise	Rykodisc
8	9	8	4	JOE HENRY Fuse	Mammoth
9	3	1	11	ANI DIFRANCO Up Up Up Up Up Up	Righteous Babe
10	10	7	6	TOMMY CASTRO Right As Rain	Blind Pig
11	20	11	2	CHRIS SMITH Drive You Home Again	Hightone
12	17	12	2	LATIN PLAYBOYS Dose	Atlantic
►►► #1 DEBUT ◀◀◀					
13	—	13	1	CRASH TEST DUMMIES Give Yourself A Hand	Arista
14	11	3	8	CHERYL WHEELER Sylvia Hotel	Philo-Rounder
►►► #2 DEBUT ◀◀◀					
15	—	15	1	IGUANAS Sugar Town	Koch
16	13	11	5	PAUL WESTERBERG Suicaine Gratification	Capitol
17	27	17	2	ROSIE FLORES Dance Hall Dreams	Rounder
18	18	18	7	SNAKEFARM Songs From My Funeral	Kneeling Elephant-RCA
19	22	11	6	CHIEFTAINS Fire In The Kitchen	Wicklow
20	28	20	2	TOM RUSSELL The Man From God Knows Where	Hightone
21	19	19	4	BEN LEE Breathing Tornados	Grand Royal-Capitol
22	—	22	1	CASSANDRA WILSON Traveling Miles	Blue Note
23	32	9	7	JONATHA BROOKE Live	Bad Dog
24	16	6	17	MARTIN SEXTON The American	Atlantic
25	—	25	1	OLIVIA TREMOR CONTROL Black Foliage: Animation Music Volume 1	Flydaddy
26	15	14	6	HANK DOGS Bareback	Hannibal-Rykodisc
27	30	14	6	CEPHAS & WIGGINS Homemade	Alligator
28	—	28	1	BLUR 13	Virgin
29	33	6	10	PETER HIMMELMAN Love Thinketh No Evil	Six Degrees-Koch
30	—	30	1	FRANK BLACK & THE CATHOLICS Pistoler	spinART
31	29	8	11	LYNN MILES Night In A Strange Town	Philo
32	—	32	1	COREY HARRIS Greens From The Garden	Alligator
33	—	33	1	HARRIS/RONSTADT/PARTON Trio II	Elektra-EEG
34	R	25	6	JASON FALKNER Can You Still Feel?	Elektra-EEG
35	31	10	9	JULIAN LENNON Photograph Smile	Pinnacle
36	—	36	1	LUCY KAPLANSKY Ten Year Night	Red House
37	—	37	1	SAY ZUZU Bull	Broken White
38	—	38	1	DAMNATIONS TX Half Mad Moon	Sire
39	—	39	1	KODO Sai-So — The Remix Project	Red Ink
40	—	40	1	KID SILVER Dead City Sunbeams	Jetset

Chart information is based on combined airplay reports from CMJ's panel of college, commercial and non-commercial Triple A radio stations.

triple a adds

- 1 ENTRAIN Can U Get It
- 2 COREY HARRIS Greens From The Garden
- 3 OWSLEY Owsley
- 4 VARIOUS ARTISTS Blue Break Beats Vol. 4
- 5 DAVID SYLVIAN Dead Bees On A Cake

Dolphin Safe
Alligator
Giant-WB
Blue Note
Virgin

triple a news



The annual SXSW (South By Southwest) music conference in Austin, Texas is a place to hear new and established acts, and party like a rock and roll maddog with the music industry. During this year's "shmooz-a-thon," March 17-21, the hot ticket was Tom Waits at the Paramount Theatre. Only his fourth public performance in the past 12 years, Waits' Saturday night show generated so much interest that his new label, Epitaph, was forced to buy tickets for select laminate holders. The bummer of the week was a downpouring of rain Thursday night, which forced the cancellation of the outdoor Leon Russell/Willie Nelson show. However, rain did not hamper the Push Stars, who played to about 800 people under a tent, including Capitol Records President Roy Lott. Earlier on Thursday, (Continued on page 35)

Contributing reporters this week: 244 • See page 52 for a complete list of RPM airplay reports.

Section coordinated and column by M. Tye Comer

TW	LW	PK	WKS	ARTIST + TITLE	LABEL
1	3	1	6	MOCEAN WORKER Mixed Emotional Features	Palm Pictures-Rykodisc
2	11	2	2	BADMARSH & SHRI Dancing Drums	Outcaste-Tommy Boy
3	15	3	4	VARIOUS ARTISTS Big Dirty Beats 2	Moonshine
4	4	4	3	VARIOUS ARTISTS Reich Remixed	Nonesuch
5	16	5	8	VARIOUS ARTISTS DJ Kicks: Kemistry & Storm	Stud!o K7
6	10	1	10	CASSIUS 1999	Astralwerks
7	14	7	3	VARIOUS ARTISTS Old School Vs. New School	Jive Electro
8	6	1	7	AUTECHRE Peel Sessions	Warp/Nothing-Interscope
9	18	9	4	DJ RAP "Bad Girl" (12")	Higher Ground/Columbia-CRG
10	5	5	4	DJ KRUSH & TOSHINORI KONDO Ki-Oku	Instinct
11	1	1	8	JEEP BEAT COLLECTIVE Technics Chainsaw Massacre	Bomb Hip-Hop
12	8	8	3	SOURCE DIRECT Exorcise The Demons	Science-Astralwerks
13	12	12	7	SUICIDE COMMANDO Construct Deconstruct	Possessive Blindfold
14	2	2	4	SQUAREPUSHER Budakan Mindphone (EP)	Warp/Nothing-Interscope
15	7	3	7	ARLING & CAMERON All-In	Emperor Norton
16	19	1	12	SLY AND ROBBIE Drum & Bass Strip To The Bone By Howie B	Palm Pictures-Rykodisc
17	27	17	2	HOWIE B Snatch	Palm Pictures-Rykodisc
►►► UP 13 POSITIONS ◀◀◀					
18	31	18	2	DUBTRIBE SOUND SYSTEM Bryant Street	Jive Electro
19	21	19	2	HIVE Working With Sound	Celestial
20	25	9	5	POLE CD 1	Matador
21	17	16	9	IMPERATIVE REACTION Eulogy For The Sick Child	Pendragon
22	13	3	9	VARIOUS ARTISTS Together As One	Moonshine
23	33	23	3	BATTERY Aftermath	COP International
►►► #1 DEBUT ◀◀◀					
24	—	24	1	APHEX TWIN "Windowlicker" (CD5)	Warp-Sire
25	35	24	3	RAZED IN BLACK Sacrificed	Cleopatra
26	22	22	2	CORNELIUS FM	Matador
27	26	26	2	JEGA Spectrum	Matador
28	24	4	10	COLDCUT Let Us Replay	Ninja Tune (Canada)
29	R	29	2	SVEN VATH Fusion	Ultra-Virgin
30	29	25	5	VARIOUS ARTISTS Freedom — Thee Sound Of Zen	Intersound
31	34	31	2	VARIOUS ARTISTS Virgin Voices: A Tribute To Madonna	Cleopatra
32	23	23	2	KREIDLER Appearance And The Park	KiffISM-Mute
33	R	20	7	NUMB Language Of Silence	Metropolis
34	R	28	2	CORNELIUS CM	Matador
35	39	35	2	NEUROACTIVE Parallel Lifeforms	A Different Drum
36	20	20	4	JUNGLE FUNK Jungle Funk	Zebra
37	R	25	3	VARIOUS ARTISTS Tommy Boy's Perfect Beats	Tommy Boy
38	—	38	1	CROCODILE SHOP Everything Is Dead And Gone	Metropolis
39	30	30	2	VARIOUS ARTISTS Convergence: Where Live Meets Electronic	XLR8R-Om
40	9	8	8	PAN SONIC A	Blast First-Mute

Chart information is based on combined airplay reports of electronic music (e.g. ambient, techno, industrial, etc.) releases from CMJ's panel of college, commercial and non-commercial radio stations.

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1	ATOMIC BABIES "Cetch Da Monkey" (CD5)	Cold Front/X-Sight-BML
2	DJ WALLY The Stoned Ranger Rydes Again	Jungle Sky
3	WEED Hard To Kill	Nettwerk
4	HOWIE B Snatch	Palm Pictures-Rykodisc
5	VARIOUS ARTISTS Planet V	V-Ultra

Mute Records is in the process of staging screening parties in a few major cities for Add N To (X)'s new video, "Metal Fingers In My Body." The clip, which probably won't be coming to MTV anytime soon, is a cartoon piece that depicts a woman experiencing the erotic pleasures of the latest mail-order love machine, coincidentally dubbed "Add N To (X)." The single will be the first release from the band's new full-length, *Avant Hard*, which is scheduled for release on April 20. Contact Mute Records at 212.255.7670 for more information...British trance DJ Sasha may soon find himself in court over the use of his name. Warner Bros. UK will soon release an album by a German artist of the same name whose record was recently certified gold in Europe. Both of the Sashas' record companies, Warners UK and DeConstruction, are locked in debate over who gets to keep the name.

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Add N To (X)



APHEX TWIN

"Windowlicker" (CD5) (Warp-Sire)

For those who've followed his career, the musical dementia of Richard D. James (a.k.a. Aphex Twin), the man behind Aphex Twin, is old news. He's always remained a good light-year ahead of his contemporaries, and this new single is no exception. Fresh from "Come To Daddy," his demonic, maniacal breakbeat experiment, "Windowlicker"'s electro drum kicks, warped vocal samples and sleazy, erotic ambiance connote images and emotions alien to James's previous compositions. Erratic sound bites pervade both that track and the disjointed second cut, "Formula." "Nannou" completes the EP with its soothing music box melody and minimal rhythmic structure. Be afraid. Be very afraid.

For Fans Of: Autechre, Squarepusher, Jimi Tenor
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Release Date: March 23

Add Date: April 12

Marketing Information: The disc also contains "hyperlock technology," which will provide access to a Web-based video when placed in a CD-ROM drive. Try it!

RANDOM

Too Stoned To Sneeze Without Regretting It (Evil Teen)

In actuality, there's nothing at all blunted about *Too Stoned To Sneeze...*, but the music is still as attention-grabbing as the title suggests. Random (a.k.a. John Drunkard) bombards your ears with an array of intense drum 'n' bass productions filled with of howling basslines, hyper-speed hi-hats and apocalyptic sound structures. This is a compelling collection not recommended for the weak of heart.

For Fans Of: Panacea, Ed Rush + Optical, Absolute Friction

Recommended Tracks: "The Field Where I Died," "Bakin' Donuts," "Secret Faces"

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Release Date: April 13

Add Date: April 13

VARIOUS ARTISTS

The Nervous Cocktail Mix (Nervous)

Accomplished New York City label Nervous Records has concocted this suave and sexy compilation of a dozen artists' deep, urban-influenced, jazzy house gems. *The Nervous Cocktail Mix* is a smoldering, laid-back offering of classic vibes and current grooves destined to bring out the freak in you. Turn the lights down low and share it with a friend.

For Fans Of: New York garage house, Syk 130, Robin S

Recommended Tracks: "Déjà Vu" (E-Smooove), "Flying High" (Byron Stingily), "Tomorrow" (Kim English)

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Release Date: March 13; at radio now



DR. L. SUBRAMANIAM & LARRY CORYELL

From The Ashes (Water Lily Acoustics)

Here, Indian violinist Subramaniam is joined by jazz guitarist Larry Coryell in a stunning meditation on death and love. The recording is a serious affair, as the music deals thematically with Subramaniam's grieving over the loss of his beloved wife, Viji. Through this music he seeks to express his feelings of grief, separation and the transcendence of love, and is supported and abetted in the effort by Coryell's sympathetic and introspective guitar playing. There will be few recordings released this year that will be as meaningful or significant.

For Fans Of: Ry Cooder, Ravi Shankar, V.M. Bhatt

Recommended Tracks: "The Way You Placed My Bow," "Love Is Stronger Than Death," "Alone By The Ganges"

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Release Date: March 23

VARIOUS ARTISTS

Anthology Of World Music: The Music Of

Tibetan Buddhism (Rounder Select)

Not only is Tibet a unique geographical crossroad but also the plight of Tibet's people at the hands of the Chinese government has taken on a global significance. This three-CD set spotlights the haunting beauty of Tibet's many musical sects and strains, and will help further awareness of and appreciation for this culture so perilously close to extinction.

For Fans Of: Mickey Hart, Lhasa, Beastie Boys

Recommended Tracks: "Invitation To The Deity Khyabjug," "Prayer For The Dalai Lama," "Evening Music For Shawms And Trumpets"

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Release Date: March 9

VARIOUS ARTISTS

Holding Up Half The Sky: Voices Of Asian Women

(Shanachie)

The latest volume of the acclaimed *Holding Up Half The Sky* series showcases an often-overlooked component of the Asian musical milieu. With tracks from Yungchen Lhamo, Liu Sola, Najma and Choying Drolma with Steve Tibbetts, this set showcases the unique sounds of women from such diverse corners of the Asian continent.

For Fans Of: Lui Sola, Yungchen Lhamo, Choying Drolma

Recommended Tracks: "The Broken Zither," "Kunjan Sabuki," "Lam Klon: Wai Khru"

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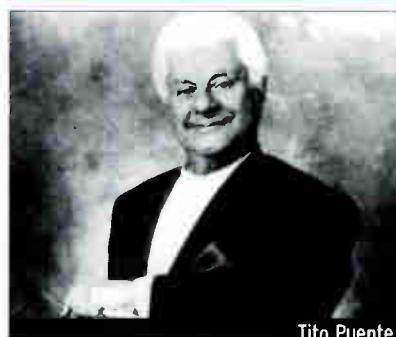
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TW	LW	PK	WKS	ARTIST + TITLE	LABEL
1	1	1	6	VARIOUS ARTISTS Dublin To Dakar: A Celtic Odyssey	Putumayo
2	7	2	3	VARIOUS ARTISTS Dancing With The Dead	Ellipsis Arts
3	2	1	10	HABIB KOITÉ & BAMADA Ma Ya	Putumayo
►►► UP 10 POSITIONS ◀◀◀					
4	14	4	2	CESARIA EVORA Mar Azul	Nonesuch
5	4	4	5	ALPHA YAYA DIALLO The Message	Wicklow
6	5	1	10	VARIOUS ARTISTS Mali To Memphis: An African-American Odyssey	Putumayo
7	13	7	2	TARAF DE HAÏDOUKS Taraf De Haïdouks	Nonesuch
8	17	4	11	ONDAR Back Tuva Future	Warner Bros.
9	11	8	9	ISRAEL VIBRATION Pay The Piper	RAS
►►► #1 DEBUT ◀◀◀					
10	—	10	1	SUR SUDHA Festivals Of Nepal	Domo
11	6	6	4	KALI Franco Faune	Tinder
12	8	6	7	HEDNINGARNA Karelia Visa	Northside
13	21	13	2	VARIOUS ARTISTS Land Of The Sufis: Soul Music From The Indus Valley	Shanachie
14	10	6	7	EILEEN IVERS Crossing The Bridge	Sony Classical
15	R	14	5	BUNNY WAILER Dub'sco Volumes 1 & 2	RAS
16	R	16	3	VARIOUS ARTISTS Éthiopiques Vol. 3	Buda Musique-Allegro
17	23	17	2	MEDITATIONS Reggae Crazy Anthology	Nighthawk
18	3	1	8	HUUN-HUUR-TU Where Young Grass Grows	Shanachie
19	12	1	12	TARIKA D	Xenophile
20	20	20	2	ASTON FAMILYMAN BARRETT Familyman In Dub	Green Linnet
21	R	9	8	DENNIS BROWN Tribulation	Heartbeat
22	R	19	4	OSEI TUTU Awakening	Heartbeat
23	—	23	1	JOI One And One Is One	Tinder
24	18	11	7	GILBERTO GIL O Sol De Oslo	RealWorld-Astralwerks
25	24	24	2	VARIOUS ARTISTS Mexican Divas	Blue Jackel
Candela					

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The 31st Annual Latin Ace Awards were presented on March 20 at New York City's Marriott Marquis Hotel. The "Premio Extraordinario ACE por Distincion y Merito" award was represented to performer Danny Rivera. Artists in attendance at the ceremonies included Tito Puente, Celia Cruz, Johnny Pacheco, Sergio Vargas, Jose Feliciano, Elvis Crespo and others...Miller Genuine Draft has announced plans to hold its Solo Con Invitacion (By Invitation Only) mystery concert in Chicago. The April 8 gig will feature performances from surprise Latin musicians. Five hundred radio contest winners and their guests will attend. Past performers in the series have included El Tri, Alejandra Guzman and Olga Tañon...Mexican singer Juan Gabriel will launch a 25-date U.S. tour this spring. The tour starts on May 9 in Anaheim, California...Luaka Bop has pressed promo CDs of the Tom Zé remix album Postmodern Platôs. The EP, released a few months ago on vinyl, includes remixes by the High Llamas, John McEntire, Sean Lennon and others...Flamenco fans should check out www.flamenco-world.com, a site that offers more than 400 audio clips of flamenco music old and new. The site's other features include artist profiles and concert schedules...Congratulations to Italian composer Nicola Piovani, whose *Life Is Beautiful* soundtrack (on Virgin Records) won the Academy Award for Best Original Dramatic Score.

new world news



Tito Puente

new world upcoming releases

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APRIL 13 JUAN CARLOS FORMELL Songs From A Little Blue House (Wicklow) **YAT-KHA** Dalai Beldiri (Wicklow) **VARIOUS ARTISTS** Fabulous Latin Swing (RCA) **APRIL 20** **VARIOUS ARTISTS** Living Art, Sounding Spirit: The Bali Sessions (Rykodisc) **VARIOUS ARTISTS** Island Outpost Compilation 3 (Rykodisc) **CHIELI MINUCCI & SPECIAL EFX** (Shanachie) **BAYETE** (Shanachie) **KEITH FRANK** Live At Slim's Yikiki (Shanachie) **APRIL 27** **BILL LASWELL** Sacred System II (Wicklow)

Beat Box

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2	2	2	10	NAS "Nas Is Like"	Columbia-CRG
3	3	3	8	EMINEM "My Name Is"	Aftermath-Interscope
4	4	4	2	COMMON FEAT. SADAT X "1999"	Rawkus
5	5	5	7	PRINCE PAUL "More Than U Know"	Tommy Boy
6	9	6	3	MASTERMINDS "Bring It Back"	Epic
7	24	7	12	BLACK STAR "Respiration"	Rawkus
8	6	3	8	KRS-ONE "5 Boroughs"	Jive
9	10	9	5	TRICK DADDY "Nann"	Warlock
►►► #1 DEBUT ◀◀◀					
10	—	10	1	BUSTA RHYMES "Party Is Goin' On Here"	Elektra-EEG
11	11	4	10	OUTKAST "Da Art Of Storytelling"	La Face-Arista
12	19	12	3	RUFF RYDERS "Ryde Or Die"	Interscope
13	7	7	5	JAY-Z "More Money More Cash More Hoes"	Jive
14	20	5	5	CHOCLAIR "Flagrant"	Kneedep
►►► UP 22 POSITIONS ◀◀◀					
15	37	15	3	MOBB DEEP "Quiet Storm"	Loud-RCA
16	13	13	11	REDMAN "Da Goodness"	Def Jam
17	18	17	3	RAHZEL "All I Know"	MCA
18	23	13	3	KARDINAL OFFISHAL "And What!"	Figure IV
19	38	7	11	INSPECTAH DECK "R.E.C. Room"	Loud-RCA
20	25	10	9	LAURYN HILL "X-Factor"	Ruffhouse/Columbia-CRG\$
21	17	16	3	JT MONEY "Who Dat?"	Priority
22	R	33	3	TLC "Silly Ho"	La Face-Arista
23	27	23	4	DEFARI "Focused Daily"	Tommy Boy
24	—	24	1	PRINCE PAUL FEAT. XZIBIT & SADAT X "Handle Your Time"	Tommy Boy
25	28	25	2	ALL NATURAL "It's O.K."	All Natural
26	8	8	3	KOMBO "Pop Shit"	Infini-T
27	29	17	8	SPORTY THIEVZ "Even Cheaper"	Ruffhouse/Columbia-CRG
28	—	28	1	JA RULE "Holla Holla"	Def Jam
29	39	29	2	CAM'RON "Let Me Know"	Entertainment-Epic
30	R	21	3	SKEME TEAM "Con Artist"	3-2-1-Zero Hour
31	—	31	1	BLACK MOON "2 Turntables And A Mic"	Duck Down-Priority
32	R	9	7	RZA "NYC Everything"	Gee Street-V2
33	34	33	2	NAS "Hate Me Now"	Columbia-CRG
34	16	15	5	BUSTA RHYMES "What's It Gonna Be"	Elektra-EEG
35	36	6	6	RAS KASS "Rassassination"	Priority
36	R	21	7	COOL BREEZE "Watch For The Hook"	Interscope
37	32	32	3	DJ QUIK "Youz A Gangsta"	Profile
38	14	14	6	TLC "No Scrubs"	LaFace-Arista
39	R	19	6	METHOD MAN "Break Ups 2 Make Ups"	Def Jam
40	—	40	1	DEADLY SNAKES "Culebras De Muerte"	Tommy Boy

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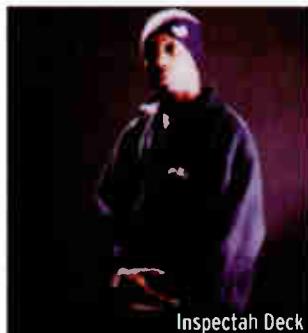
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- 1 APHILLYATION "Dry Tears"
- 2 NAS "Hate Me Now"
- 3 COUNT BASS D "Violatin"
- 4 CAM'RON "Let Me Know"
- 5 NAUGHTY BY NATURE "Live Or Die"

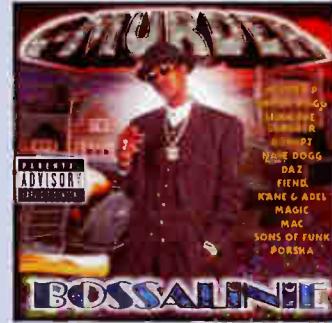
Tommy Boy
Columbia-CRG
Spongebath
Entertainment-Epic
Arista

VIBE Online has reported a rumor claiming that BMG Records has dropped independent imprint Loud Records. The report says that Dennis Petrovsky, a spokesperson for BMG, said, "We think very highly of Loud Records and are currently in discussions with them." But an anonymous source close to Loud said the rumor was true. Loud's upcoming releases include Mobb Deep, Dead Prez, Big Punisher, Raekwon, U-God and Inspectah Deck...E-40 and his Sick Wid It Records have planned for a very big year. With a dozen albums planned for release, the label will also release its first film, *Charlie Hustle: The Blueprint of a Self-Made Millionaire*, along with an accompanying soundtrack due out April 27. Also planned for release that day is E-40's own lexicon of his strange vocabulary, *Book of Slanguage*. There are also

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C-MURDER

Bossalinie (No Limit-Priority)

Being Master P's lil' bro has some obvious perks and some not so apparent downfalls. As one-third of the super-group Tru (along with brothers P and Silkk The Shock), C-Murder has remained in P's media shadow, even though his first two albums have reached platinum. But now, No Limit's tightest lyrical soldier is carving out his own niche as the rhyme camp's point man. C flaunts a keen rhythmic dexterity akin to that of the late 2Pac, flipping from street blasters like "On My Enemies" and smooth joints like "Ghetto Millionaire" (with Snoop Dogg, Kurupt and Nate Dogg), to emotional and inspirational tales, like the slave-themed "Freedom," with ease.

For Fans Of: Tru, 2Pac, MC Eiht

Recommended Tracks: "Ghetto Boy," "Murder And Daz," "On My Enemies"

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Release Date: March 9; at radio now

SAM GUNZ

Scattered (EP) (NuSounds Entertainment)

Having honed his skills on the mean streets of Philly's Allen Homes section, Sam Gunz instills this strong debut with an appropriately rugged vibe. Able to leap from B.I.G.-worthy raps to Lost Boyz-styled party anthems with a diverse, lyrical abandon, Gunz sparks the set with a great originality.

For Fans Of: Notorious B.I.G., Brand Nubian, Big Punisher

Recommended Tracks: "Moet Shondon," "Write A Letter," "Dust Da Dust"

Contact: Kenneth Dixon

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Release Date: April 11; at radio now

WHORIDAS FEAT. XZIBIT

"Get Lifted"/"Godfather" (12") (T.V.T.)

Building intense rhymes over a throbber electro-bump and choice Method Man and Cypress Hill samples, "Whoridas" make a loud introduction on this hot cut. On the flip, they join Xzibit to turn a funky Spanish guitar tickle into the low-key, lyrically-rich "Godfather."

For Fans Of: Tha Alkaholiks, Ras Kass, Saafir

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Release Date: April 20

Add Date: April 17

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STEVE TURRE

Lotus Flower (Verve)

Trombonist Steve Turre has made a name for himself by being a diverse talent able to work equally well in any milieu, be it Latin, experimental or straight-ahead jazz. *Lotus Flower* features an all-star cast who help to create an incredibly diverse sound that ranges through many different styles (the percussion from Kimati Dimizulu and Don Conreaux, and the violin playing of Regina Carter, in particular, each stands out). *Lotus Flower* is a bold jazz statement filled with a richness that shows Turre to be in top form.

For Fans Of: J.J. Johnson, Charles Lloyd, Roland Kirk
Recommended Tracks: "The Lotus Flower," "The Organ Grinder," "Passion For Peace"
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Release Date: March 23

BRONX HORNS

Catch The Feeling (32 Jazz)

The Bronx Horns are a sizzling Latin horn powerhouse, a trio of Tito Puente alumni (Mitch Frohman, Bobby Porcelli and Ray Vega) who play tight, turn-on-a-dime Latin jazz. These musicians hold Machito and Charlie Parker in equal reverence, and are able to walk skillfully between both the domestic jazz and Latin worlds in a way that leaves both listeners and dancers pleased.

For Fans Of: Machito, Tito Puente, Brecker Brothers
Recommended Tracks: "Get Back In," "Moody's Mood For Love," "Terioki"
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Release Date: March 16

PHIL DEGREG

The Green Gate (J Seven)

Pianist Phil DeGreg brings an elegant touch to the keys and an approach that finds room to express his creativity without resorting to painting outside the lines. With bassist Drew Gress, drummer Steve Davis and saxophonist Tim Ries, the playing is relaxed, natural and soulful. *The Green Gate* showcases DeGreg on several intriguing selections, such as Randy Weston's "Hi Fly," Irving Berlin's "How Deep Is The Ocean," and even a rare Charlie Chaplin tune, "Smile."

For Fans Of: Bud Powell, Brad Mehldau, Marcus Roberts
Recommended Tracks: "Hi Fly," "Smile," "Bouncin' With Bud," "Sweet Georgie Fame"
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Release Date: March 23

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TW	LW	PK	WKS	ARTIST + TITLE	LABEL
1	1	1	16	JOHN COLTRANE The Classic Quartet: Complete Impulse! Recordings	Impulse!
2	4	2	5	RUSSELL GUNN Ethnomusicology Volume 1	Atlantic
3	8	3	2	CASSANDRA WILSON Traveling Miles	Blue Note
►►► #1 DEBUT ◀◀◀					
4	—	4	1	DAVE DOUGLAS Convergence	Soul Note
5	2	2	5	TERENCE BLANCHARD Jazz In Film	Sony Classical
6	3	3	5	LESTER BOWIE BRASS FANTASY The Odyssey Of Funk ...	Birdology-Atlantic
7	13	7	2	PHAROAH SANDERS Save Our Children	Verve
8	16	8	6	DONALD HARRISON Free To Be	Impulse!
9	5	3	8	HAGANS Animation Imagination	Blue Note
►►► #2 DEBUT ◀◀◀					
10	—	10	1	CHARLIE HUNTER/LEON PARKER Duo	Blue Note
11	6	4	5	WOLFGANG MUTHSPIEL Work In Progress	PolyGram
12	17	12	2	JULIUS HEMPHILL Blue Boye	Screwgum
13	9	9	5	SUSIE IBARRA & ASSIF TSAHAR Home Cookin'	Hopscotch
14	14	11	6	JAZZ MANDOLIN PROJECT Tour De Flux	Accurate
15	15	15	2	MARK ELF New York Cats	Jen Bay
16	—	16	0	CHICAGO UNDERGROUND TRIO Possible Cube	Delmark
17	—	17	1	CHARLES LLOYD Voice In The Night	ECM
18	21	9	7	PACHORA Unn	Knitting Factory
19	—	19	1	ORANGE THEN BLUE Hold The Elevator	GM
20	12	10	8	WILLIAM HOOKER The Distance Between Us	Knitting Factory
21	—	21	1	BOB FLORENCE LIMITED EDITION Serendipity 18	MAMA
22	11	10	4	JACK McDUFF Bringin' It Home	Concord
23	7	7	5	VARIOUS ARTISTS Blue Break Beats Vol. 4	Blue Note
24	24	3	15	BRIGHT MOMENTS Return Of The Lost Tribe	Delmark
25	R	4	13	ARI BROWN Venus	Delmark

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Herbie Hancock

The 27th annual JVC Jazz Festival will hit New York City from June 14-27. This year's highlights will include a series of swing shows as well as concerts by Herbie Hancock, Wayne Shorter, Dave Brubeck, Caetano Veloso, Carlinhos Brown, Chucho Valdes, Gonzalo Rubalcaba, Tito Puente, Cassandra Wilson, Shirley Horn, Diana Krall with Joshua Redman and Dave Holland with Brad Mehldau. Blues legends Buddy Guy, Jimmie Vaughan and Shemekla Copeland will also perform. Blue Note will host two 60th anniversary concerts, and the JVC Fest will also present tributes to John Coltrane, Kenny Kirkland and other greats...In other festival news, Colorado's Janus Jazz Aspen at Snowmass June festival has announced an impressive, and diverse, lineup for this year's event. The June 17-20 event will include performances by Diana Krall, Roberta Flack, Lavay Smith, Ray Charles, Jonny Lang, Al Green and Bruce Hornsby. New to the festival this year will be the "JAS After Dark" series, which will feature concerts in clubs after the festival's main stage performances. The JAS After Dark performances will focus on Cuban music, with performances from Chucho Valdes and Maraca y Otra Vision. Tickets are \$25-\$75 per night. For ticket information, call 970.920.5770 or for general information, call 970.920.4996.

jazz upcoming releases

APRIL 13 STEVE COLEMAN (RCA) SAM RIVERS (RCA) VARIOUS ARTISTS The Popular Latin Swing (RCA)
VARIOUS ARTISTS Natural Selection (Zebra) **APRIL 20** TOMMY BOLIN Live At Ebbets Field '74 (Zebra)
JOEL FORRESTER & THE ILLUSTRIOS OTHERS Joel Forrester & The Illustrious Others (Koch) JOEL FORRESTER & PEOPLE LIKE US Believe It (Koch) CLAIRE DALY Swing Low (Koch) MARCO GRANADOS Sunflute (Koch) JAMES EMERY Spectral Domains (Enja) JOHANNES ENDERS Home Ground (Enja)

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TW	LW	PK	WKS	ARTIST + TITLE	LABEL
1	1	1	6	PRO-PAIN Act Of God	Nuclear Blast America
2	3	1	7	GRIP INC. Solidify	Metal Blade
3	7	1	37	FEAR FACTORY Obsolete (Limited Edition Digipac)	Roadrunner
4	2	1	6	SICK OF IT ALL Call To Arms	Fat Wreck Chords
5	6	5	6	SKINLAB Disembodied: The New Flesh	Century Media
6	5	5	5	STAIND Dysfunction	Flip/Elektra-EEG
7	4	1	9	OVERKILL Necroshrine	CMC International
8	9	8	3	STATIC-X Wisconsin Death Trip	Warner Bros.
9	10	9	2	NAPALM DEATH Words From The Exit Wound	Earache
10	20	10	2	AMORPHIS Tuonela	Relapse
►►► UP 27 POSITIONS ◀◀◀					
11	38	11	2	GWAR We Kill Everything	Metal Blade
12	12	12	2	MOTORHEAD Everything Louder Than Everyone Else	CMC Intl.
13	8	2	11	PUYA Fundamental	MCA
14	11	11	7	LOUDMOUTH Loudmouth	Hollywood
15	34	15	2	NEUROSISS "Times Of Grace" (CD5)	Relapse
16	25	16	3	SOIL Throttle Junkies	MIA
17	19	13	5	VIRGOS MERLOT Signs Of A Vacant Soul	Atlantic
18	28	18	3	LUNGBRUSH Old School New School	Pavement
19	13	13	6	GONEMAD Planet 9	896
20	17	1	12	ONE KING DOWN God Loves, Man Kills	Equal Vision
21	14	14	4	MORGION Solinari	Relapse
22	15	10	9	NEVERMORE Dreaming Neon Black	Century Media
►►► #1 DEBUT ◀◀◀					
23	—	23	1	FREDRICK THORDENDAL'S SPECIAL Sol Niger Within	Relapse
24	R	24	2	SOUNDTRACK WWF The Music Vol. 3	Koch
25	21	18	6	GRINSPOON Guide To Better Living	Universal
26	39	15	4	NEBULA Sun Creature (EP)	Man's Ruin
27	16	9	8	FU MANCHU Eatin' Dust	Man's Ruin
28	—	28	1	DIMMU BORGIR Spiritual Black Dimensions	Nuclear Blast America
29	30	26	4	HUMAN DISORDER Ugly Modern Aggression	Blue Summit
30	27	10	12	SINISTER Aggressive Measure	Nuclear Blast America
31	31	26	3	CROWN Hell Is Here	Metal Blade
32	32	25	5	DEVIATE Darkened World	Scream-Never
33	18	1	21	MESHUGGAH Chaosphere	Nuclear Blast America
34	22	12	6	VARIOUS ARTISTS Straight To Hell: A Tribute To Slayer	Deadline-Cleopatra
35	36	35	2	ROTTING CHRIST Sleep Of Angels	Century Media
36	35	29	3	BUCKCHERRY "Lit Up" (CD5)	DreamWorks
37	R	4	15	METALLICA Garage Inc.	Elektra-EEG
38	R	21	5	SOLITUDE AETURNUS Adagio	Olympic-Slipdisc
39	24	6	12	FLOTSAM AND JETSAM Unnatural Selection	Metal Blade
40	—	40	1	COALESCENCE There Is Nothing New Under The Sun	Edison-Hydrahead\$

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loud rock adds

- 1 NEUROSISS "Times Of Grace" (CD5)
- 2 DIMMU BORGIR Spiritual Black Dimensions
- 3 SOUNDTRACK The Rage — Carrie 2
- 4 VARIOUS ARTISTS Family Values Tour '98
- 5 HYPOCRISY Destroys Wacken

Relapse
Nuclear Blast America
Edel America
Immortal-Epic
Nuclear Blast America

Fox Sports will play the music of several bands from Victory Records' roster during the network's upcoming extreme sports shows. Over 320 million viewers will be exposed to the world's most spine-severing hardcore and metalcore music. Kudos to Victory and its bands for the coup...The first annual New England Metal and Hardcore Fest will undoubtedly kick up the dust and carnage that settled after the March Metal Meltdown. The event, to be held at the Palladium in Worcester, Massachusetts, from April 30 to May 2, will feature One King Down, Napalm Death, Morbid Angel, Hatebreed, Converge, Skinlab, Bongzilla, Today Is The Day, Cave In, Isis, Gwar, Deicide, Overkill, Sam Black Church, Tree, Cryptopsy, Buried Alive, Scissorfight, Diecast, All Out War, Roadsaw, Manowar, Earth Crisis, Reveille, Madball, Gorguts, Human

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One King Down

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NO INNOCENT VICTIM

Flesh And Blood (Victory)

No Innocent Victim is a Christian-core band that praises the gentle Lamb of God while roaring like a lion. The San Diego quartet goes straight for the secular world's jugular with blistering riffage and inescapable breakdowns tough enough to incite worldwide floorpunching. Much like the now-defunct Strife and its straight-edge philosophies, NIV doesn't assault you with its message, instead submerging it in the music's torrid vocals, grooves and riffs. Ultimately, the gutsy, stereotype-defying *Flesh And Blood* bludgeons its listeners with unfettered sonic brutality. Even tough guys with "666" tattoos will mosh away to NIV.

For Fans Of: Strife, Hatebreed, Living Sacrifice, Solid State Records

Recommended Tracks: "Flesh And Blood," "C.E.B.," "Tear Us Apart"

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Release Date: March 23 Add Date: April 13

INTEGRITY 2000

Integrity 2000 (Victory)

Though Cleveland's Integrity recently tacked the timely "2000" onto the end of its moniker, the band takes a positive step back on this self-titled album, recalling the crushing hardcore fury of its 1995 album *Humanity Is The Devil* while avoiding the left-field guitar solos that decorated 1997's *Seasons In The Size Of Days*. The eerie-sounding Dwid has a garbled vocal style similar to Obituary's John Tardy and Bloodlet's Scott Angelacos. The band still explores religious topics in its evil metal, ensuring that it will continue to both frighten parents and delight teens. Don't miss the last two electronic tracks, which feature Psywarfare, Dwid's alter-ego.

For Fans Of: Bloodlet, Obituary's *World Demise*, Sepultura's *Arise*, Turmoil

Recommended Tracks: "2000," "Never Surrender," "Violated"

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Release Date: April 6 Add Date: April 13

Marketing Data: Sepultura's Derrick "The Predator" Greene appears on "Never Surrender."

JUDAS FACTOR

Ballads In Blue China (Revelation)

The Judas Factor's Rob Fish has legendary status in the hardcore scene due to his work in the bands 108 and Resurrection. But his latest band is a far cry from his past bands. Pure, unbridled aggression and introspective lyrics are funneled through discordant guitar work, larynx-annihilating screams and complex song structures. If you need a breather, checkout his downright genteel "Will You Wait Up For Me?"

For Fans Of: Deadguy, Neurosis, Kiss It Goodbye, Resurrection, Indecision

Recommended Tracks: "Beauty Mark," "As I Lie Down To Die," "Essay"

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Disorder, Skarhead, Another Society, Non Compos Mentis, Crisis, Another Victim, Bane, Stands Still, Reach The Sky, In My Eyes, Shutdown, Shed, Vital Remains, fortydaysrain, Keelhaul, Puya, deadeyesunder, Gangsta Bitch Barbie, Roadsaw, Shadows Fall, Nightstick and Hate Machine. Unfortunately, Testament and Misfits backed out due to prior commitments...Visit www.snapcase.com to hear three exclusive, unstoppable **Snapcase** recordings: "Truth Hits Everybody" (a Police cover), "I" (a Bad Brains cover) and the brand new "Energy Dome." The band's new bassist is **Dustin Perry**, formerly of **Harvest**...The unsigned band **Apartment 26**, which will grace the second stage at this year's Ozzfest, is fronted by **Biff Butler**, son of **Black Sabbath's Geezer**. Word has it that Apartment 26 is electronica-influenced loud rock in the vein of **Gravity Kills..Joey Severance**, late of Metal Blade, will head Pavement Music's brand new London/European office...Mayhem Records has closed its New York City quarters. Former radio promotions guru **Rich Burke** is in search of a new gig...Testament will release *The Gathering* on Spitfire/Burnt Offerings in June, featuring skins king **Dave Lombardo** on drums...To all college kids eager to stimulate their brains with something other than a psychotherapy textbook, check out Pitbull Publishing's *Kiss & Tell*, an exposé on Kiss guitar great **Ace Frehley**. The book features first-hand stories by **Gordon G.G. Gebert** and **Bob McAdams**, Frehley's former best friends. It's a gut-bustingly funny story, but its tone is gossipy and rather harsh on Ace, who was infamous for his party lifestyle. Definitely a guilty pleasure.

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APRIL 13: KMFDM Adios (Wax Trax - TVT) **MINISTRY** Dark Side Of The Spoon (Warner Bros.) **TEN YARD FIGHT** "The Only Way (7")" (Equal Vision) **MAY 4:** H2O FTTW (Epitaph) **PENNYWISE** Straight Ahead (Epitaph)

triple a news

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Doolittle Records beat the bad weather with a BBQ party featuring performances by **Todd Thibaud, Trish Murphy, Say Zuzu** and **Slobberbone**. Songlines' **Sean Coakley**, Planetary's **Mikey Dee**, Gavin's **Jessie Scott**, and WERU's **Sarah Willis** were among those hopping and bopping. There were parties galore, but the most relaxing was the patio meal put out by Rykodisk's **Sean O'Connell** and Jackknife's **Chris Roldan** and **Jenni Sperandeo**. Among those present were WFUV's **Rita Houston**, KLRQ's **Steve Stevens**, the Magnitude Network's **Quintin Porter** and recording artist **Beaver Nelson**. One of the more exciting new artists this year was Mammoth's **Freestylers**, who's performance featured breakdancers, disco bass-playing, rappers, and techno wizardry. The film highlight for most festival goers was the U.S. premier of the new **Radiohead** movie, *Meeting People Is Easy*, on Saturday.

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APRIL 13: CLONE DT 7777777 (DSBP) **FRONT LINE ASSEMBLY** Prophecy (Metropolis) **KMFDM** Adios (Wax Trax!-TVT) **LEGION OF GREEN MEN** Floating In Shallow Water (Post Contemporary-WMO) **MINISTRY** Dark Side Of The Spoon (Warner Bros.) **UNOERWORLD** Beaucoup Fish (Junior Boy's Own-V2); **WUMPSCUT** Evil Young Flesh (Metropolis) **APRIL 20:** ADD N TO X Avant Hard (Mute) **AIR** Premier Symptones (Astralwerks) **BERINE** Morbid Late4night Show (Nettwerk) **CASSIUS** "Felling For You" (12") (Astralwerks) **DJ TAKEMURA** DJ Takemura (Thrill Jockey) **NIGHTMARES ON WAX** Carboot Soul (Warp-Matador)

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new albums planned from **B-Legit, The Click** and **Celly Cel**, as well as new Sick Wid It signee **Al...** Another West Coast rhyming CEO, **Mack 10** is busy with his Hoo-Bangin label, which is gearing up for the release of **Children Of The Ghetto**, **MC Eiht, CJ Mac and Techniec** and **Boo Capone**. Mack also finished filming the video "Thicker Than Water" with **Fat Joe**, which will be released later this spring along with an accompanying soundtrack that will feature a single by **Westside Connection** and cuts from **Noreaga, Wu-Syndicate, Memphis Bleek** and **Draft Pick**...**Q-Tip** appears on **Heavy D's** new single, "Listen." **Heavy D's** upcoming album **Heavy** also includes guest spots from **Big Punisher, Eightball, Chico DeBarge** and **Goodie Mob's Cee-Lo**. Uptown-Universal Records will drop the album on June 1...**Faith Evans** is set to launch a national tour with **Dru Hill** and her Bad Boy Entertainment labelmates **Total**. The month-long tour starts on April 4 in Richmond, Virginia.

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APRIL 13: BABY DC School Dayz (Jive) **MO B. DICK** (No Limit-Priority) **UGK** Dirty Money (Jive) **APRIL 20:** **MAXI PRIEST** (Virgin) **SLICK RICK** The Art Of Storytelling (Def Jam) **APRIL 27:** **INSPECTAH DECK** (Loud-RCA) **LIL' SOLDIERS** (No Limit) **MAY 18:** **GANG STARR** Full Clip: A Decade Of Gang Starr (Virgin)

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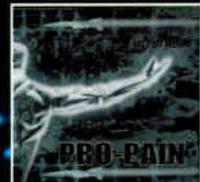
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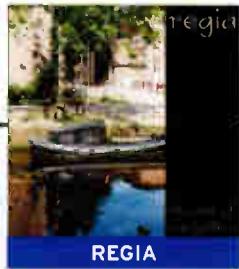
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APRIL 12

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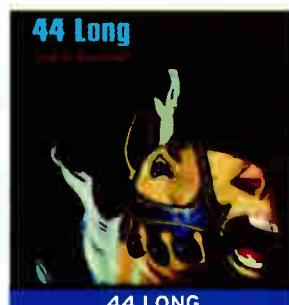
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TEN YARD FIGHT "The Only Way" (7")
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APRIL 16

APPLES IN STEREO EP
JON COUGAR CONCENTRATION CAMP Hot Shit (reissue)
REGIA The Art Of Navigation
SAMMY HAGAR Red Voodoo
SPOOKY RUBEN What's A Boy To Do (Modes Of Transportation Vol. 2)
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The Art Of Navigation

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APRIL 19

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HOOKERS Hookers (7")
KISSING BOOK Lines And Color
LEE HAZLEWOOD Cowboy In Sweden (reissue)
LEE HAZLEWOOD Farmisch, Flatulence, Origami, Arf!!! And Me
LOWER EAST SIDE STITCHES/JAKKPOT Electric Live
RONDELLES

TeenBeat
Devil Doll
Magic Marker
Smells Like
Smells Like
Onefoot
TeenBeat

APRIL 20

44 LONG Inside The Horse's Head
ADD N TO X Avant Hard
ALEJANDRO ESCOVEDO ORCHESTRA Bourbonitis Blues
ASTRAL PROJECT Voodoo Bop
ATOMIC FIREBALLS Atomic Fireballs
BARELY PINK Elli's Suitcase
BERINE Morbid Late4night Show
BONGZILLA Sabbath
BUDDHA MONK The Prophecy
CASSIUS "Felling For You" (12")
CHARLIE MUSSELWHITE Continental Drifter
CHILDRIN OF DA GHETTO Childrin Of Da Ghetto
CHRISTIAN GIBBS 29 And Over Me
CRANBERRIES Bury The Hatchet
CRIMINAL Dead Soul
CUL DE SAC Crashes To Light, Minutes To Its Fall
DAVE HOLE Under The Spell
DELUXTONE ROCKETS Deluxtone Rockets
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DWINDLE Days Away
ELEVATOR THROUGH Vague Premonition
ERNIES Meson Ray
EUPHONE The Calendar Of Unlucky Days
FISH Rain Gods With Zippos
FLAK Flak
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GERTY Two Kisses In A Row
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ICEBREAKER Early Warning
JADE.ELL Promises And Prayers
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LIVELY ONES Heads Up!: The Best Of The Lively Ones, Vol. 2
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MUSIC INSTRUCTOR Electro City
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NEW BOMB TURKS Beruhren Meiner Affe
NIGHTMARES ON WAX Carboot Soul
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SPACETIME CONTINUUM Double Fine Zone
TOE 2000 Toe 2000
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Thrill Jockey
Guilt Ridden Pop
Sub Pop
Mojo-Universal
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Roadrunner
Epic
Plastique
57-Epic
Atlantic Nashville
Aesthetics
Edel America
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Thrill Jockey
Epic
Kinetic-Reprise
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VARIOUS ARTISTS Cybotnetix 1999

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VARIOUS ARTISTS Kinetic Instinct

VARIOUS ARTISTS Microscopic Sound

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VARIOUS ARTISTS This Note's For You, Too! A Neil Young Tribute

VARIOUS ARTISTS Trick Bag: A Tribute To Cheap Trick

VOID X-Factor (12")

WOODPECKER Supermodel Horse Auction

ZUCCHERO Overdose D'Amore

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CHAPTER IN VERSE 4Wicked Smile

APRIL 27

BEFORE DARK Daydreamin

BIOPSY Third Stroke

DJ VADIM Friction

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► *Solo effort from frontman of the Mr. T Experience*

EMPEROR IX Equilibrium

FRONT LINE ASSEMBLY Implode

HONEYGLAZED The Trouble With Girls

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LEATHERFACE/HOT WATER MUSIC The BYO Split Series #1

OLD 97'S Fight Songs

PAPA VEGAS Hello Vertigo

PINHEAD CIRCUS Everything Else Is A Fargone Conclusion

SPEAK 714 The Scum Also Rises

TIGHT BROS. FROM WAY BACK WHEN Strut

TOM WAITS Mule Variations

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NORTH OF AMERICA These Songs Are Cursed

APRIL 30

EXPANSION UNION World Wide Funk

FLIPPER Blowin' Chunks (reissue)

NIGHT CONQUERS DAY Rebellion Is The Art Of Survival

DURUTTI COLUMN Live At The Bottom Line

MAY 1

ANNIVERSARY The Anniversary

BELIEVE IT OR NOTS There's A Bright Future In Plastics

MAY 4

90 LB. WUSS Shorthand Operation

AMY DENIO Greatest Hits

BLACK HALOS Black Halos

BLUE RAGS Eat At Joe's

Columbia-CRG

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Del-Fi

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Innerstate

Repeat-Relativity

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Century Media

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Curve Of The Earth-Wonderdrug

Onefoot

Loud-RCA

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Wax Trax!-TVT

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Die Young Stay Pretty-Sub Pop

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Matador

Sub Pop

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Dominion

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Beggars Banquet

Metropolis

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Metropolis

MAY 10

ATOM BOMB POCKET KNIFE Atom Bomb Pocket Knife (10" EP)

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CHORE Take My Mask And Breathe

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MAYOR MCCA Welcome To McCAland

MAY 11

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Radioactive-MCA

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Del-Fi

MAY 18

AIR Premier Symptones

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BELLE & SEBASTIAN Tigermilk (reissue)

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CHEMICAL BROTHERS "Hey Girls, Hey Boys" (CD5)

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Virgin

DOGWOOD More Than Conquerors

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Metropolis

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Tooth & Nail

Virgin

GO-BETWEENS Bellavista Terrace

Melanolic-Astralwerks

Beggars Banquet

► *Best-of collection*

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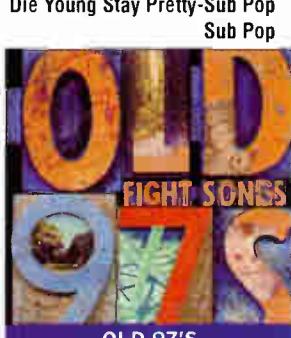
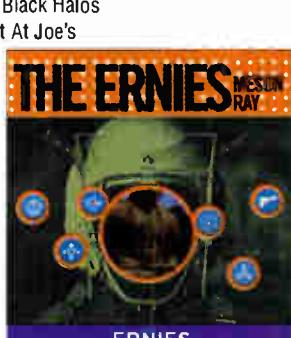
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STEVIE RAY VAUGHAN AND DOUBLE TROUBLE—In Step [65874]
STEVIE RAY VAUGHAN AND DOUBLE TROUBLE—Texas Flood [Legacy 65870]
STEVIE RAY VAUGHAN AND DOUBLE—Couldn't Stand The Weather [Legacy 65871]

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DIMMU BORGIR—Spiritual Black Dimensions [63492]

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INTEGRITY—2000 [91]

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NEW ORLEANS KLEZMER ALLSTARS—Fresh Out The Party [9015]
VARIOUS ARTISTS—Voices Of Asian Women [66015]

RPM

BDS

P.O. Box 328732, Columbus, OH 43232
614.236.4920 bdsrecords@aol.com
DJ CAZ—Urban Elements [62006]

CITY OF TRIBES

3025 17th St., San Francisco, CA 94110 415.621.1549
TRANCE MISSION—A Day Out Of Time [022]

RYKODISC

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978.825.3239 promo@rykodisc.com
MY LIFE WITH THE THRILL KILL KULT—Hit & Run Holiday [10463]
MY LIFE WITH THE THRILL KILL KULT—Sexplosion! [10461]
MY LIFE WITH THE THRILL KILL KULT—13 Above The Night [10462]

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936 Broadway, 5th Fl., New York, NY 10010 212.253.3900
APHEX TWIN—“Windowlicker” (CD5) [35007]

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VARIOUS ARTISTS—Traveler '99: A Planful Of Grooves [1011]

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Wilco

The Dark Days



Be Summer

Feature by Wendy Mitchell Photo by Jay Blakesburg

The dark, introspective pop music of Wilco's new album *Summer Teeth* has virtually nothing in common with the punk-influenced country of Uncle Tupelo, the former band of Wilco frontman Jeff Tweedy. Fans may speculate that Wilco's evolving sound signals Tweedy's efforts to further distance himself from tiring comparisons to Uncle Tupelo (and his former UT bandmate Jay Farrar's more country-leaning band, Son Volt). But Tweedy says that *Summer Teeth* isn't part of some elaborate plan to forsake the alt-country scene and leave his past behind. The reason Wilco recorded pop songs this time, he explains simply, is that "we just didn't have any country songs."

Fans of Tweedy and his bandmates — guitarist/keyboardist Jay Bennett, bassist/keyboardist John Stirratt and drummer Ken Coomer — have come to expect the unexpected from Wilco. After Uncle Tupelo disbanded in 1994, Tweedy and several Uncle Tupelo bandmates quickly formed Wilco, and released their rookey rock debut, *A.M.*, in 1995. But Wilco's 1996 double album *Being There* offered more than a few surprises, hopping genres by referencing bands such as the Beach Boys and the Rolling Stones. Next, Wilco collaborated with English folk singer Billy Bragg on the 1998 Grammy-nominated album *Mermaid Avenue*, which brought new life to Woody Guthrie's unreleased lyrics.

When Wilco started to work on *Summer Teeth*, Tweedy says the band hadn't devised a master plan to change its sound. "We didn't want to make the same sounding record, but we really didn't have any goals as far as what we wanted it to sound like sonically," he says. "That's the fun of making records or creating, you don't really know what it's going to be, but you know that there's going to be something there at the end of the day or the end of the week that didn't exist before."

While *Being There* drew inspiration from many ages and genres of American music, *Summer Teeth* builds on classic sounds while also forging Wilco's own songwriting identity. Tweedy may seemingly have little in common with Woody Guthrie, but he says that working on *Mermaid Avenue* has had lasting effects on him. He says that it was "really affirming" to learn that he was "part of not just a musical tradition, but a human tradition of expression."

Wilco spent a year and a half crafting the new album at various studios. The bulk was recorded at Chicago's King Size Sound Laboratories and Austin, Texas's Pedernales Studios, but Wilco used its tour days off to record in Tennessee, North Carolina, Oregon and Los Angeles. Tweedy says that the band worked hard to make the final product sound cohesive, and it does. The instantly classic pop-rock album tempers its melancholic streaks with new emphasis on warm keyboards, organ and piano.

Behind the sunny melodies, Tweedy's lyrics on *Summer Teeth* offer some disturbing images. Lines like "I dreamed about killing you again last night" and "she begs me not to hit her" are belied by the music's generally upbeat feel. Tweedy explains

that it can be hard not to censor himself, but he thinks that those troubling images are often the most powerful. "I think about how most people are not going to accept it, or how misunderstood a certain amount of things are going to be, or how everything's going to be interpreted to be autobiographical," Tweedy says. "I think in general I resist the urge to edit it out because to me those are the most important lines...Not just for shock value. I think that those lines aren't about violence, and I don't think they're to be taken literally. I just think that they're lines that are very passionate and make an emotional impact, and that's hard to find these days...I also feel that those are the most valuable things I have to work with, not being comfortable."

With Wilco's constantly evolving and growing sound, it's difficult for Tweedy to predict what the future will hold, but he already has new ideas. "We've been writing, I've been writing, but there's no pressure, we don't really think about what we want to sound like," he explains. "I think we want to see what happens, and by the time we get into the studio, I'm sure we will have changed our minds about a lot of things. And more importantly, found new things that are inspiring to us. I can't really foresee [what will happen]. If we had to go make it today, I'd like to make a simple record. Very, very sparse elementally, but not necessarily somber — that would be my goal. A happy avant-garde folk record." His constant evolution and progression as a songwriter shows that Tweedy's not content to sit still. Listening to him face new challenges and explore new sounds gives us the chance to watch him grow into one of the greats of American songwriting.

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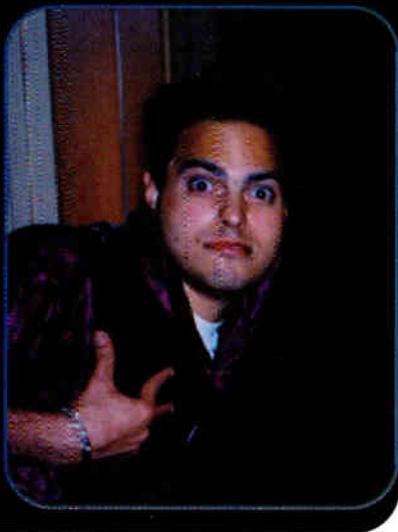
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I still have people ask me at parties, "Are you the Lenny from Possum Dixon's 'Lenny's Song'?" Ah, fame!

Give us the lowdown on Interscope's college radio department. How many people are involved now?

I am very fortunate to have the greatest crew working here with me. Joanna Palacios has been with me since last year. From the day she started, I could tell that she was a natural promoter. Recently, we added Mark Gracious to our team, and he's just been kicking ass. He used to work for Capitol's college department. Together, the three of us are a well-oiled promotion machine. In addition to college radio, we work projects to metal radio and to commercial alternative specialty shows. We also try to tie in artist development ideas with our radio picture whenever we can — like when we hooked up sponsorship with Kappa clothing for a Meat Beat Manifesto promotion.

How long have you been at Interscope and what did you do before?

I've been at Interscope for six years. It has become my home away from home. I started here as an intern working for "the Godfather," Jeff Marks, and was officially hired when I finished school in '95. Before that, I was a DJ and MD at USC's college station, KSCR.

How has the Universal-PolyGram merger changed your job?

I now have more cool bands to work, which is both a blessing and a curse, because I want to give each band the attention they need and yet there are only so many hours in the day. But I've always been really good at time management, so Interscope's high standard of promotion is not going to change with the influx of new artists. Actually, when you think about it, there's never been a record company that has had so many artists that are both largely popular and cool at the same time (like Beck, Sheryl Crow and Limp Bizkit). It's going to be a balancing act to stay true to the vision of these artists while helping them reach as many listeners as possible, and I'm pretty excited about this challenge.

Is it tough to work Interscope projects to college radio now? There has been some talk about the merger being bad for the industry or bad for artists.

I've never had problems working Interscope projects to college radio because we have the best A&R staff in the world, and

they sign great bands. As for negative talk about the merger, I haven't heard such opinions from college radio because the merger hasn't really affected college radio. They're going to get the music one way or another regardless, because the bands that get dropped from major labels will probably get picked up by indie labels.

Have you guys started work on the next *Matacootl* video? When can we expect a new one? Have you figured out its theme yet?

I tell you, these videos have been such a success. In them, we've brought people exclusive performances and interviews and taken them to Disneyland, Mexico, Las Vegas, Matacootl Island and Matacootl Mountain. If anyone hasn't seen any of these, feel free to give us a call and we'll hook you up with a copy. We're always coming up with new ideas for *Matacootl*, and they just keep getting better and better. We will definitely have a new *Matacootl* before the end of the year. We're thinking of calling it *Matacootl 2000: The Next Millennium*.

Why did Possum Dixon name a song after you?

They had given me this tape of new songs before they recorded *New Sheets*, and on that demo was this song called "Recharound." When I heard that song, I just flipped over it and told them that it should be the first single. They were so taken with my enthusiasm that they renamed the tune "Holding (Lenny's Song)." It was my 15 minutes of fame. I still have people ask me at parties, "Are you the Lenny from Possum Dixon's 'Lenny's Song'?" Ah, fame!

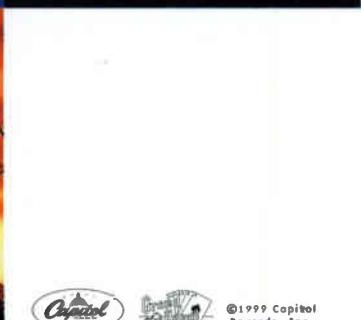
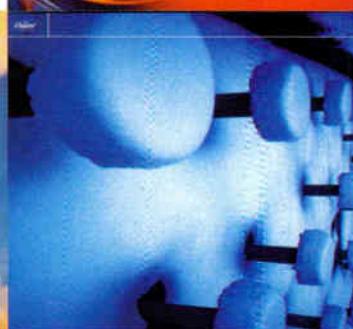
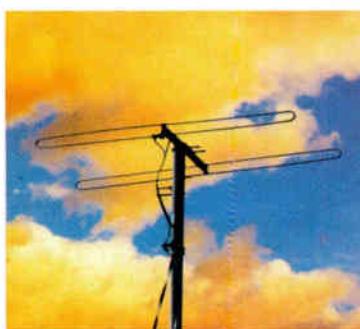
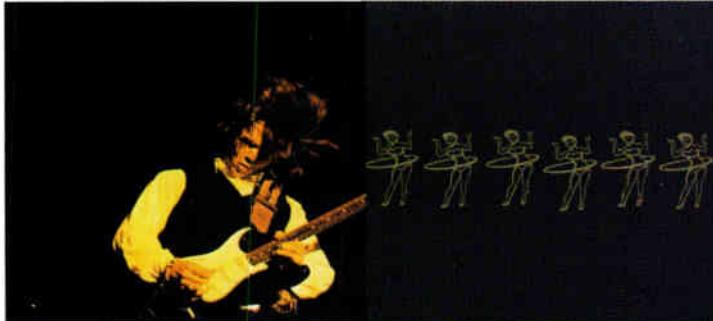
What projects will you be working with this spring?

We'll be serving up a nice little slab of hip-hop from Ugly Duckling (1500 Records). Then we'll have an EP of unreleased material from Beck (DGC), which will only be serviced to college and specialty shows. We'll also be putting out this swanky lounge act the Blue Hawaiians on Coolsville Records, and the new album from the Hippos. And of course we'll also have that new Nine InchNails album sometime this year, for which I get at least five calls a day.

Interview by Wendy Mitchell

Jimmy Iovine and Ted Field started Interscope Records in 1990 as a joint venture with Atlantic Records. The label left the Atlantic Group in 1994 to enter into a joint venture with MCA Records. When MCA's parent company, Universal Music, acquired PolyGram early this year, Universal purchased the other half of Interscope. Post-merger, Interscope now heads the Interscope Music Group, which includes the Nothing, Geffen-DGC, A&M, Outpost, 1500 and Coolsville labels. The combined roster includes acts such as Nine Inch Nails, Hole, Marilyn Manson, Primus, Meat Beat Manifesto, Beck, Crystal Method, Big Bad Voodoo Daddy, Limp Bizkit, the Brian Setzer Orchestra, Black Eyed Peas and many more. We spoke to Interscope's college radio guru Lenny LaSalandra about the merger and other new developments there.

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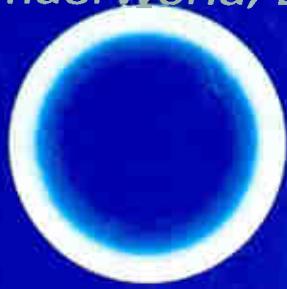
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