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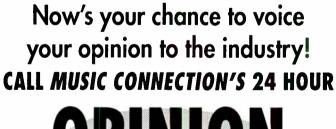
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#### **By Trish Connery**

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#### Current

Music Connection is getting involved this year with the American Heart Association's Hollywood Heartwalk '93. Not only is Music Connection putting together its own walking team for this important 10K walk; we are also functioning as recruitment leaders. The Hollywood Heartwalk '93 takes place on October 24, but we are actively seeking out companies now who can become involved by forming their own walking teams. Funds raised by the Hollywood Heartwalk '93 go to support life saving research and community education programs. Anyone interested in signing up their company to participate in the Hollywood Heartwalk '93 should contact Trish Connery at Music Connection, (213) 462-5772.

□ Nashville-based Moondream Music will present a one-day workshop, "Country Songwriting: Writing Hits From The Heart," on Saturday, September 18, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. in Canoga Park. Instructor Jason Blume is currently a staff writer with Zomba Music in Nashville, and has written country chart singles for the Oak Ridge Boys and Darlene Austin. Topics will include how to get your songs published and recorded, writing lyrics and melodies for country music radio, new trends in country music radio, new trends in country music for registration or additional information at (615) 292-1880.

□ Vocal instructor Lisa Popeil offers a workshop, Voiceworks, on a monthly basis. This month's workshop, "Q&A With Lisa," is scheduled for Sunday, September 12, 1:00-3:00 p.m., and will be an open forum for any vocal technique or music business questions. There will also be a special guest on hand, Bryan Mann of Mann-Made Records, who will present "Creating Your Own Record Project From A-Z." The cost of admission is \$8. Call (818) 906-7229 to reserve your spot.

The Vocal Point is offering an intensive workshop for singers on Saturdays. 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Every aspect of vocal production will be handled. Students will learn how to strengthen the voice for more power, presence and stamina; proper breathing, support and resonation of the voice, and how to increase range, sharpen pitch and control the tonal quality of the voice. Enrollment is limited so the instructors may give individual attention as needed. The Vocal Point is located in the new Hollywood Boulevard Studios building. For specific details, call (909) 592-4110 or (310) 285-5054.

□ "The Music Underground: Alternative And Street Marketing" is the new course from UCLA Extension. This ten-week course meets on Wednesdays, September 29-December 1, 7:00-10:00 p.m., at UCLA, 220 Haines Hall. Participants will learn how to get press coverage in the U.S. and England, how to make a deal with a record label, the keys to credibility, creativity and longevity, gaining a loyal radio audience and the clubs and DJs who discover new talent. The course coordinator is Vince Bannon, president and founder of Ritual Inc., who was worked with such recording artists as Red Hot Chili Peppers, Nine Inch Nails, R.E.M. and events such as Lollapalooza. The fee is \$300. For more information, contact the UCLA Extension's Entertainment Studies Department at (310) 825-9064.

□ Singing For A Living is a one-day seminar sponsored by Los Angeles Songwriters Showcase on Saturday, September 18, 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. at the Westwood United Methodist Church, 10497 Wilshire Blvd. in Los Angeles. Now in its second year, this event presents classes, panels and workshops for aspiring and professional vocalists. Guest speakers include session singers, vocal contractors, agents, producers, record company A&R reps, performance coaches, managers and more. The cost of the event is \$75, \$60 for LASS and NAS members. Contact LASS for more information, (213) 467-7823.

"L.A.'s Finest," a Roger Burnley produced event, is an ongoing series featuring original acts in many different styles. The showcases are designed to give these committee-chosen acts access through performance to the A&R community. while at the same time allowing industry execs an opportunity to see original talent in a concise and controlled setting. The next showcase will be held at the Troubadour, 9081 Santa Monica Blvd, in West Hollywood, on Wednesday, September 15, 7:00-9:00 p.m. and will feature a variety of musical influences in the pop, country, folk, alternative and acoustic genres. There is a \$10 cover charge, but complimentary admission will be extended to music industry professionals. Call (213) 850-4404 for additional information.

#### Recaps

California Lawyers For The Arts, a non-profit organization providing legal assistance and education for artists of all disciplines, is offering a very special service - one-hour appointments with a nedotiations specialist on September 15, 4:00-8:00 p.m. These appointments are for anyone about to enter a contract or who is in a contractual dispute, or for anyone needing assistance in planning a negotiation strategy. In addition, CLA will present another workshop on September 21, 7:00 p.m., "From Demo Tapes To Recording Contracts," where a music industry attorney will discuss and answer questions relevant to shopping a recording deal, using managers and agents, key deal points in recording, production, and publishing. All events will be held at 1549 11th St. in Santa Monica, and the cost is \$5 per event for CLA members and \$15 for non-members. For reservations or for more information. contact California Lawyers For The Arts MC at (310) 395-8893.





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#### By Karen Orsi

It's another Saturday night and you're in the mood for a life-changing, headbanging session with a live band. As you scan the papers looking for a fun evening of music and dancing, you're befuddled by the incredible smorgasbord of bands. You think, "Will I be able to dance to Snuggles and Her Chainsaw, the Undead Cigarettes or the Autopsy Party Irregulars?" You feel you're shooting in the dark, as you've not heard of any of these bands. Lucky for you, you notice the ad for "Listen For Free" in the paper. You dial the number, make a few selections and you're in. Both Snuggles and Her Chainsaw and the Autopsy Party Irregulars were smart enough to subscribe to "Listen For Free." A quick listen to a couple of sample cuts, and you're dancing in your seat. You can't believe it. You've hit the motherlode, and you decide you're going to writhe your way euphorically through both shows.

Seems like an idea whose time has come, doesn't it? "Listen For Free" takes all the guesswork out of seeing live shows, and makes it easier to plan an evening. Hopefully, it will also increase audience numbers by making it easier and more fun to choose. The brainchild of Teo Castro at Sonic Communications, a musician himself, "Listen For Free" is a service designed to benefit musicians.

When a band signs up with "Listen For Free," their music is put into the system's "Music Sampler" according to category. Categories include hard rock, alternative, techno, grunge, garage, heavy metal, and eclectic. All inquiries are tabulated, and it's even possible to get on a band's mailing list through the system. It is also possible to create a mailing list if you don't have one. "Listen For Free" can also help you by sending out promotional materials, manufacturing and distributing CDs, and offer help in such matters as publishing administrative duties, sample clearing and some management functions.

Of course, the highest quality demo will ensure the best telephone fidelity. But all music in the system is digitally reproduced for the highest possible telephone fidelity. Each caller that inquires about your band will be given four choices. They can listen to your music, listen to your personal message, order one of your CDs or put their name on your mailing list. Your own personal pass-



**Stacey Sullivan** 

word allows you to change your personal message as often as you'd like, and keep fans updated on all your upcoming gigs, as well as last minute changes. This function not only promotes your shows, but it can also serve to fill your pay-to-play gigs and sell merchandise like bandrelated T-shirts, pot holders, trivets and glow-in-the-dark salt and pepper shakers. Or whatever you want to sell! As an added feature, "Listen For Free" also gives you business cards with their phone number on one side and your band's name on the other. Every three months you will receive a report from "Listen For Free" letting you know exactly how many people listened to your music sample and put their names on your list. You will also get a check from any CDs or other merchandise sold at this time.

Because "Listen For Free" is run by and for musicians, namely Teo Castro, Sonic's Vice President Stacey Sullivan and local underground legend Tequila Mockingbird, they are aware of the importance of promotion. For Tequila, this project is something that's right up her alley. "I wanted to be part of a company that had a lot of respect for the underground music movement," she says. "I was looking for someone young and fresh to work with that had the qualities I look for in people: loyalty and truth. Teo is a genius. I wouldn't have anything less." Tequila Mockingbird has been an integral part of the underground L.A. music scene for the last fifteen years, helping to break bands like X, the Blasters, the Gears, and Black Flag. "I never lost my taste for the unusual and exciting," she says, "or for passionate performances by other human beings." Also, as you will find out with your first phone call, "Listen For Free" is for all bands in every category. Everyone can benefit. They also advertise to A&R reps

"Being on 'Listen For Free' is like getting radio play, having a manager and locking up a distribution deal all in one package," says a promotional flyer. "Our goal is to build up your fan base to the point that the labels will have to notice you. So let us take care of the promotion and we'll let you take care of the music."

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#### **CHOICE CONCERT**

# Distributors Retreat in Used CD Battle

By Sue Gold and Michael Amicone

Distributors Reverse Position, Will Give Advertising Support to Used CD Retailers

Los ANGELES—What started out as a major battle between record distributors and retailers seems to be winding down as CEMA, WEA, Sony and UNI, the four distribution companies which pledged to stop supplying co-op advertising dollars to retail stores selling used CDs, have decided to reverse their position.

In response, Wherehouse Entertainment, the first major retail chain to begin selling used CDs, said that, though they have not yet formally withdrawn their lawsuit against CEMA, WEA, Sony and UNI, they are currently in negotiations with each distributor, working toward a final settlement (they are close to an accord with CEMA) that could include reimbursement of legal fees incurred and financial compensation for the months Wherehouse was without advertising support.

CEMA was the first company to take a public stand against stores selling used CDs, and was the first to back away. Russ Bach, president of CEMA Distribution, said, "We regret that this issue became so escalated. We recognize that there are deeply held views on both sides of this issue, and we would prefer to resolve our differences through market-based solutions rather than through the court."

Commenting on CEMA's decision, Wherehouse Entertainment President/CEO Scott Young said, "We believe that CEMA's decision is a victory for consumers. We think that the artists who are distributed by CEMA also benefit because Wherehouse Entertainment will once again be aggressively promoting their new titles in our stores and in our advertising."

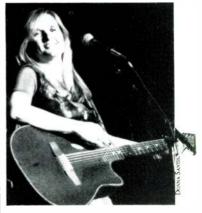
Though all four distributors have effectively backed down, all of the companies have put restrictions on their new policies.

CEMA Distribution's requirements are that retailers "should" not sell compact discs clearly marked for promotional purposes, retailers should not sell used CDs of titles which are currently being supported by advertising co-op funds, retailers should not advertise used CDs with new CDs and retailers should merchandise used CDs in a manner that does not confuse customers (used compact discs must be separately displayed and clearly marked).

The other distributors, WEA, Sony and UNI, stated that they will resume advertising support as long as none of the money is used for advertising that promotes the sale of used compact discs.

assist in the fight against AIDS and other diseases and to give hope to the millions of people around the world suffering from these diseases," Alain Levy said. "I am honored to be involved with the City of Hope."

Since its inception in 1974, the Music and Entertainment Industry Chapter of the City of Hope has raised more than twenty million dollars for research.



Melissa Etheridge (pictured above), Ann and Nancy Wilson of Heart, Shawn Colvin and Spinal Tap were among the recording artists on hand at the recent Voters For Choice celebration, held at the Santa Monica Civic Auditorium. The concert, which saluted the 73rd anniversary of the day women became eligible to vote, also featured an appearance by special guest comedian Rosie O'Donnell.

### Burnette Named Spokesperson for Major Country Music Tour

By Billy Block

Crown Royal Sinks \$2 Million into Tour Featuring Billy Burnette and other Country Stars

NASHVILLE—Capricorn recording artist Billy Burnette, formerly of Fleetwood Mac, has been named spokesperson for the Crown Royal Country Music Series '93. Burnette will appear on many dates of the 46city tour, which also features such artists as Marty Stuart, Pam Tillis, Tracy Lawrence and Restless Heart.

Crown Royal's entry into the country sponsorship market marks one of the largest commitments in country music history, with over two million dollars dedicated to the program.

The Crown Royal Concert series will be two-tiered, with a club tour that began on August 10 and a concert tour beginning September 9 and continuing until December.

The Crown Royal Concert Tour comes to L.A. on October 24th at the Universal Amphitheater.

#### *The President/CEO of PolyGram Will Receive the Spirit of Life Award*

**City of Hope Honors Levy** 

By Sue Gold

Los ANGELES—Alain Levy, president and CEO of PolyGram, will receive the Spirit of Life Award from the Entertainment Industry Chapter of the City of Hope on September 30th. The ceremony will take place at the Beverly Park Estates in Beverly Hills.

Among those expected to perform during the gala are many of PolyGram's top recording artists, including John Mellencamp, Vanessa Williams and Billy Ray Cyrus.

"Alain Levy is truly one of the most respected and important figures in the entertainment industry today. The City of Hope is honored to have him as the recipient of its Spirit of Life Award," said Bruce Resnikoff, president of the Music and Entertainment Industry Chapter of the City of Hope.

Levy joins a long list of music industry executives to be honored by the City of Hope, which includes Irving Azoff, Michael Dornemann, Al Teller, Clive Davis, Mo Ostin

#### and Quincy Jones.

"I feel it is extremely important for the entertainment industry to

#### FOREVER VINDICATED



Paula Abdul and various lawyers and label honchos, including Virgin President/CEO Phil Quartararo (pictured left, in front) and Virgin Music Group Worldwide Chairman/CEO Ken Berry (left, in back), are pictured raising their glasses in celebration of Virgin Records' recent victory in the lawsuit brought against the label by session vocalist Yvette Marine. Marine was seeking financial compensation and proper credit for lead vocal parts she claimed to have "doubled" on Abdul's multi-platinum debut album, *Forever Your Girl*.

SIGNINGS & ASSIGNMENTS

#### **By Michael Amicone**



Val Azzoli

Val Azzoli has been promoted to the post of Executive Vice President/General Manager of Atlantic Records. Prior to his appointment, Azzoli was the label's Senior VP/GM. Azzoli will be based at Atlantic's New York headquarters (212-275-2370).

In more Atlantic news, leading indie band **Bad Religion**, following seven albums and thirteen years on their own label, Epitaph, has made the major label jump, inking a five-album deal with **Atlantic Records**. The band was signed by Danny Goldberg and Mike Gitter.

I.R.S. Records has appointed Jane Asher to the post of Director of Promotion, West Coast. Asher, who will perform her duties out of the label's Universal City offices (818-508-3130), was previously West Coast Promotion & Marketing Representative for Imago.



#### Valerie Apollo

Sony Music has announced the promotion of Valerie Apollo to the post of Associate Director, Marketing Services, East Coast. Apollo will be based at the label's New York offices (212-833-8000).

Relativity Records has announced the signing of local rockers the Ex-Idols. The four-piece outfit is expected to have their Relativity Records (310-212-0801) debut in the racks early next year.

MCA Records has promoted Kelly Haley to the post of National Publicity Director, Black Music. Haley began her MCA career in 1990 as East Coast Publicity Director, and prior to that, worked as Associate Director, Press & Publicity, for EMI in New York. Haley will continue to be based at the label's New York offices (212-841-8000).

**Capitol Records** has announced the promotion of **David Simoné** to the post of Senior Vice President of Business Affairs. Prior to his stint at Capitol, Simoné was a consultant for Atlanta-based law firm Katz, Smith and Cohen. He can be reached at 213-462-6252.

Dennis Barrie has been named Director of the Rock And Roll Hall of Fame. An internationally renowned director and historian, Barrie's resume includes stints as Midwest Area Director of the Archives of American Art for the Smithsonian and as Director of the Contemporary Arts Center in Cincinnati. Barrie replaces K. Michael Benz.

Warner Bros, has named Helena Coram to the post of Artist Relations Manager. Coram, who was previously an Artist Relations Assistant for the label, will perform her duties out of the label's Burbank headquarters (818-953-3315).



Peter Danielsen MTV has named Peter Danielsen to the post of Vice President, Affiliate Marketing. Danielsen, who will be based at MTV's New York City offices (212-258-8000), will continue to strengthen relationships between the video channel and its cable affiliates.

In more **MTV** news, the video network has announced the appointment of **Tom Hunter** to the post of Senior Vice President. In his new position, Hunter will continue to act as liaison between MTV's U.S. international affiliates. Hunter can be reached at the video channel's New York offices.

Arista Records has appointed Jason Perl to the post of National Manager A/C Promotion. Perl moves over to Arista Records following a stint with AIM Marketing, where he worked many of the label's artists. He's based at the label's N.Y. offices (212-489-7400).



Betsy Alexander Hollywood Records has named Betsy Alexander to the post of Director of International Marketing. Based at the label's Burbank home offices (818-560-5670), Alexander will supervise the label's marketing, promotion and sales for markets outside of the U.S.



## **Record Plant Celebrates** Silver Anniversary

By Barry Rudolph

The Studio's Original 'Creative Workshop' Concept Still Attracts Superstar Talent

Los ANGELES—The legendary Record Plant Studios, where some of the most revered pop recordings of all time were made, are celebrating 25 years of service to the music industry.

Started in 1968 in New York City by marketing wiz Chris Stone and late engineer Gary Kellgren, the Record Plant's unique "creative workshop" concept changed all the prevailing rules regarding recording studios' sterile atmosphere, clinical attitude and conservative mind-sets. Stone and Kellgren envisioned a home-like environment with a complete service-oriented staff and the latest technology.

The concept proved to be an instant success, and within one year, having played host to such land-mark recordings as Jimi Hendrix's double-disc opus, *Electric Ladyland*, Stone and Kellgren opened a Record Plant in Los Angeles (which moved from its original Third Street location to its current Sycamore Avenue home), and sub-

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sequently, another in Sausalito.

Artists who have recorded at the Record Plant over the years include Frank Zappa, Velvet Underground, Fleetwood Mac, Stevie Wonder, John Lennon, Paul McCartney, Rod Stewart, Guns N' Roses, Barbra Streisand, Prince and Michael Bolton.

Today, L.A. Record Plant President Rick Stevens continues the Record Plant legacy by preserving the founder's original service-oriented concept as "our constitution."

Stevens has just completed an ambitious, four-million-dollar upgrade that includes two state-ofthe-art studio suites and a digital editing/MIDI/overdub suite.

"As part of the expansion," explains Stevens, "we built a dramatic new indoor atrium with trees, fountain, Jacuzzi, billiards and coffee bar. The atrium has become the town square of the Record Plant...a place where artists and producers relax and interact in a creative atmosphere."



Capitol act Duran Duran, in town for a performance at the Great Western Forum, recently received a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. Nearly 2,000 fans showed up to see the British pop group get their star, which is located near the front of the Capitol Tower, right next to fellow Capitol artist John Lennon. Pictured (L-R): Nick Rhodes, Warren Cuccurullo, Simon LeBon and John Taylor.



#### Finding Your Voice: A Singing Workshop

Discover your natural voice and sing with complete freedom and confidence in this workshop that approaches learning how to sing from a holistic point of view—a mind/body collaboration.

In an environment free of intimidation, competition, or judgment, participants receive instruction in safe and effective vocal technique, using numerous exercises proven to root out tension from the body/voice and turn around any negative mental programming. Students learn to use proper breathing techniques, increase their range, strengthen the weakest areas of the voice, improve phonetics and pronunciation, deal with performance anxiety (performance opportunities will be provided for those who are interested), give and accept feedback, and experience the thrill of singing freely, incorporating singing into everyday life.

The instructor is *Lisbeth Scott*, singer/songwriter, performer, and session singer for film and television.

Monday, 7–10 pm, October 11–November 15 UCLA: 1439 Schoenberg Hall Fee: \$265 **R**eg# M8318F

#### Vocal Technique for Singing

This course offers a solid foundation in vocal technique, using the most effective methods for enabling participants to access 100 percent of their vocal range—approximately three octaves—without pressure or strain.

The program is directed not only at individuals seeking a professional singing career but also actors, dancers, and other performing artists. Lectures, discussion with guest artists, and one-on-one vocal exercising and coaching lead to a final presentation before an invited audience at a Los Angeles nightclub.

The instructor is **Roger Love**, vocal coach whose clients include Chicago, Def Leppard, Poison, Scorpions, Nelson, and Wilson Phillips.

Thursday, 7–9 pm, September 30–December 9 Universal CityWalk: UCLA Extension Center, Room 368 Fee: \$350 **R**eg# M8319F

#### Becoming a Recording Artist: Developing a Unique Style and Image

In today's music industry, the talented singer with the ambition to obtain a recording contract must be packaged and ready—with hit songs, a unique style, a hot look, a clearly defined image, a career strategy, a target audience, and a magnetic personality that translates well in photographs and video.

This course provides professionally directed singers, songwriters, and artist managers who are serious about getting their clients into the marketplace with the practical guidelines to support the pursuit of significant recording careers. Participants receive one-on-one evaluations, assignments, and individual guidance to further their professional development.

Lectures and discussion with guest professionals are conducted by **Marta Woodhull**, who is recognized as one of the foremost voice performance consultants in the music industry. A professional singer, vocal producer, vocal coach, and published songwriter, she has worked with a wide array of international clients and record companies.

Program topics and assignments assist you to:

- define your artist attitude, musical style, original songs, visual image
- explore instrumentation, tracks, production styles
- choose a producer who realizes your vision
- experiment with a recording engineer for state-of-the-art techniques
- plan your promo pack, write a bio, learn how to generate local press

Tuesday, 7–10 pm, October 5–December 7 Universal CityWalk: UCLA Extension Center, Room 274 Fee: \$325 **R**eg# M8329F

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just going to hand the record over to marketing and promotion. I'm going to be there every step of the way. I've had relations with people at both radio and retail."

Fox Staff: "We have Geoff Bywater who is the Senior Vice President of Promotion & Marketing, there's Cindy Cooper who does A&R Administration and Joan Rim who came over from Motown to do A&R with us. She's very talented; she's a bundle of fire and definitely one of the people to keep your eyes on in this industry.Right now, we only have this West Coast office. When we get back East, we kinda work out of our hotel rooms.'

Fox Focus: "Right now, we're trying to break acts by using soundtracks and remaining more or less grass roots. So far, we've signed Jamie Foxx (one of the stars of the Fox sitcom In Living Color ), Carnival Strippers (a Milwaukee-based rock group), Simple E (a New Jerseybased female rapper), the Rosemarys (from San Francisco)---groups that focus a little bit more on the lifestyles of the people who would buy their records. Not necessarily on what radio or MTV will play. We also have Big Country who has made their best record in years. The people who think we're just another film company trying to make records are gonna be surprised."

Competing: "As for competing with the majors, they would always be able to out bid us monetarily, but not in terms of giving the artist a solid commitment. We're interested in fulfilling a band's vision, and if the band makes the right record, no other

label can beat us there. I pattern my A&R philosophy after John Kalodner and Tom Zutaut. And I'll torture the bands when it comes to clarity of vision and writing great songs."

Unsolicited Tapes: "We're accepting unsolicited tapes for all kinds of music. Bands can send their packages to Fox Records, P.O. Box 900, Beverly Hills, CA 90213. In addition to the tape and a photo, I also like to see the bands live. I'll sometimes target a local band and see their live show. Then, I'll make notes about what I liked and what needs improvement. I'll keep checking them out every so often to see if they've improved. That's really the only way to stay on top of things. If you wait until they're a buzz act, it's too late.'

Local Acts: "There's a group called Civil Defiance who is doing some good things. Also, a band called Soul and a group called Coat. Locally, those are three bands that really stand out for me right now. I think there are a lot of good acts out here."

Trends: "I believe that music is going to swing back to early Seventies influences-especially rock music. I'mhearing a little more Americana---Flying Burrito Brothers, Graham Parsons, that kind of sound."

Local Scene: "I think a lot of bands here are reacting to what bands the labels are signing. Labels are still going after the grunge bands like Nirvana and Stone Temple Pilots. So when local bands see that, they figure if they, too, are a grunge band, they'll get signed. The bands that usually get signed are playing music



After months of negotiations, L.A. band Swingin' Thing finally inked their first recording contract with Hollywood Records. The band will be performing a special show to celebrate that signing on September 17th at the Roxy. In addition to changing their hair styles, their image and their material, the band will now be called the Things. Pictured above are bassist Henry Kelly and lead singer Paul Bardot.

Wendell Greene Company: Fox Records Title: Director / A&R Duties: Talent acquisition

Years with company: Eight

#### Dialogue

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Background: "Going back to the mid-Eighties, I did street promotions for various record labels. In '88, I was hired by Delicious Vinyl as their National Director of Promotion where I helped to break acts such as Tone Loc, Masters Of Reality, Young MC and Def Jef. I worked there for about two years when I decided to leave. I had meetings with Chrysalis and Peter Paterno at Hollywood and I had a meeting with Irving Azoff who heads up Giant Records. And he just charmed me to death. He wrapped me up in a minute. He told me I could come to Giant and be all over the place and do whatever I wanted to do. And I bought it. A&R was something I always wanted to do and it's something I always felt I could do well."

Giant Gig: "The Giant gig was kind of a trip. I came in to really do A&R across the boards- at least that's what Irving promised me. I worked on New Jack City and was bringing him bands, but I think Irving wanted me to focus more on the kinds of acts I did when I was at Delicious Vinyland they were rap acts. I told him that I did other things besides rapthat I knew rock music and alternative music. I would bring in acts, but nobody was getting it. Things got to be very frustrating. The only two acts

that I was able to bring in were Thomas Dolby (who nobody at the label really liked) and a group called Praise that I picked up for the U.S. I worked on a band called Divine Styler for Giant, but nobody got that, either. After that, I felt it was time to move on. The romance kinda ended so I started looking at other companies."

Giant Parting: "There were no hard feelings when I left. It seemed as if Irving was going back to what he was doing at MCA, which was rap music and soundtracks. The joke about Giant was that they couldn't break wind when it came to a rock & roll act. Irving only looked for things that could get played on the radio and I kept telling him to get acts that the kids are into. A lot of new bands are breaking now because of regional, grass-roots touring and promotion. But Irving was very supportive when I left. I remember teasing him in jest at the last staff meeting before l left. He had just signed Deep Purple and was going after Steve Miller (who he didn't get), and I leaned over to Doug Marks and said, 'fast forward into the past.' Our ideas were a little different, but he's a good person to work with."

Promo vs. A&R: "With both jobs, you need to be very aggressive in terms of really selling the act. Then, once the record is made, you need to put on your A&R hat and sell the band's career vision to everyone at marketing and promotion. I really like what Geffen has done with their label---where the A&R person also acts as the product manager. It wasn't that way at Giant, but here, we're not

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For their first night's performance at New York's Roseland, members of Stone Temple Pilots donned the Kiss makeup to emulate their boyhood idols. Shown above are (L-R) Eric Kretz, STP; Amiira Ruotola-Largent, Atlantic's Manager/Product Development; Weiland of STP; Jason Linn, Atlantic National College Marketing Coordinator; Silvio Bonvini, Atlantic Progressive Marketing Coordinator; Robert DeLeo of STP; Lisa Gray, Atlantic Manager/National Press & Publicity; Coleen Lehman, Atlantic Intern and STP's Dean DeLeo.

from their hearts and don't care if they get a deal. Six months ago everyone was trying to be like Nine Inch Nails, now they're trying to emulate Stone Temple Pilots, and six months from now they'll copy Blind Melon. The bands that I like really pay attention to songwriting. They can play all of their songs on an acoustic guitar because the basic structure is there."

Signing Power: "What I usually do is sit down with Elliot Lurie (Executive Vice President of the Fox Music Group), Matt Walden (Senior Vice President of the Fox Music Group) and Geoff and play the tapes for them, and we discuss the possibility of seeing them live and going further. If it's something I absolutely must have, they were nice enough to allow me to sign two bands a year on mv own."

Development Deals: "If I see a band that I like and they just need to fine tune some of their songs, what I like to do is do a deal where we would put them in a rehearsal studio, bring in an eight-track and let them work out their tunes. I would never sign a band to a development deal just to string them along. I would do it only if I were going to commit to a full album.'

Advice: "My advice to bands would be to rehearse, write great songs and stay where you are don't come to Los Angeles. Build a strong local following, and we'll come to see you. It's all about doing something in your hometown."

#### Grapevine

The Coconut Teaszer is looking for a qualified, dedicated soundman to come aboard immediately. It's a five-night per week job. Applicants must love music and should be good at making quick, on-the-spot repairs. If you qualify, call Len at 213-654-4887, Monday-Friday, 3-7 p.m.

BMI has announced that "Geor-

gia On My Mind," written by Hoaqv Carmichael and Stuart Gorrell, and "More," written by Norman Newell, Nino Olivier, Marcello Ciorciolini and Riz Ortolani, have been played over five million times on U.S. radio and television. The songs are only the sixth and seventh BMI-represented songs to reach this astounding plateau.

Miami rock band Vandal made the best of their stay in Los Angeles by attracting the attention of producer/engineer Toby Wright, whose credits include Alice In Chains and Metallica. Wright will be taking the band into the studio this fall. Remember, you heard about Vandal first, right here in A&R Report. The band can be reached by calling their rep at (310) 447-6181.

Kudos to Jensen Communications and Malibu Comics for pulling off a great press junket to see the launch of Rock-It Comix at the San Diego Convention Center. Totally first class!

Queeny Blast Pop finally hooked up with a merchandising company called Bedrock Entertainment. The band will be at FM Station on Sept. 26th, and will appear at the Roxy on Oct. 2nd, where you'll be able to purchase lotsa QBP goodies.

The Fizzy Bangers have released their first EP on Dionysus Records. The band is getting airplay on KROQ and WFMO in New Jersey. Call (213) 957-4955 for Fizzy product.

Bret Michaels had this to say about the dismissal of guitarist Richie Kotzen from Poison: "I don't have anything to say about Richie—good, bad or indifferent. It just didn't work out." Local rumors have sometime manager/sometime promoter Howie Hubberman, who is allegedly managing C.C. DeVille, trying to get the former Poison guitarist back into Poison.

Local DJ Richard Blade will be releasing his own CD on Oglio Records. The CD will contain hard to find New Wave tracks from the early Eighties. Contributors to the package include The The, Freur, Nails, King, After The Fire, Translator, Q-Feel B and others. Order by calling (310) 798-2252.

Former Guns N' Roses drummer Steven Adler has brought a lawsuit against his former band alleging that he was tricked into signing away his rights to millions of dollars as a member of the band. Adler was fired from GNR for drug addiction but not before he signed away his share of the group profits. Adler's attorney estimates his client's loss as somewhere between \$4 million-\$10 million. Good luck, guys.

#### Chart Activity

Squeeze is back with another topnotch album called Some Fantastic Place, on A&M Records. It's mindboggling that this band hasn't yet happened in America.

Keep your eyes out for the new album from Big Country on Fox Records. Called The Buffalo Skinners, it's already pulling in plenty of adds and will surprise a lot of disbelievers. This is one of the strongest pop/rock albums of the year. The label should release the track "Seven Waves" as a single to CHR. It's incredibly powerful and has a hook that just won't quit.

"I'd Do Anything For Love (But I Won't Do That)" is the title of the first single from Meatloaf's long-awaited follow-up to his classic Bat Out Of Hell album. In this, Part II, Mr. Loaf is every bit as strong vocally and the production is amazing.

A dozen top C&W artists will perform their renditions of Eagles songs on a benefit album to help Don Henley's Walden Woods project. Entitled Common Thread: The Songs Of The Eagles, the CD will feature Travis Tritt ("Take It Easy"), Clint Black ("Desperado"), Alan Jackson ("Tequila Sunrise"), Diamond Rio ("Lyin' Eyes"), Brooks & Dunn ("Best Of My Love") and much, much more. The album will be released by Giant/Nashville in mid-October.

#### Deals

Los Angeles-based alternative music trio Eleven has signed a re-

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Detroit's Rave Records has signed Cyber Cryst and bukimi 3 to recording deals. Rave is an alternative music label and can be reached at 313-540-RAVE.

Former Who frontman Roger Daltry has signed two recording contracts at the same time. The first is for his solo recordings and live performances, with Continuum Records, and the second is with BMG Kidz/Zoom Express for a children's album called The Man In The Moon Takes A Night Off. For information regarding Daltry, call 212-226-1050.

Futurist has signed a three-year, exclusive distribution deal with the Alternative Distribution Alliance. The first release by Futurist through the ADA will be from Philadelphia's Brother Eye. Futurist (212-226-7272) has also signed an agreement to become the exclusive licensee of Yorkshire, England-based Peaceville Records.

#### **On The Move**

Jerry Love, for years a mainstay as Director of A&R for Famous Music in New York, has exited that publishing company. Love, who brought recording artists Living Colour, the Mighty Mighty Bosstones and 4 Non Blondes, among others, to Famous, can be reached at 201-767-6682.

Kathy Cantwell has been promoted to the position of Associate Director of A&R Administration for Atlantic. Cantwell will be based at the company's New York offices. She can be reached at 212-275-2035.

Murray Elias has been appointed Director of Reggae A&R for Priority Records. Elias is charged with the responsibility of signing, developing and marketing acts that fit into the dancehall music genre. Priority Records can be reached at 213-467-0151. MC



Jesse Tobias, former guitarist with Mother's Tongue, has been added to the permanent lineup of the Red Hot Chili Peppers. Pictured above from left to right are: Chad Smith, Anthony Keidis, Flea and Jesse Tobias.



Following is a list of upcoming Special Issues & their deadlines...

#20 Indie Everything Ad Deadline: Sept. 16 Publication Date: Sept. 27

#### #21

Musical Instrument Repair Ad Deadline: Sept. 30 Publication Date: Oct. 11

#### #22

Songwriters & Publishers Ad Deadline: Oct. 14 Publication Date: Oct. 25

#23 Percussion Ad Deadline: Oct. 28 Publication Date: Nov. 8

#### #24

Local Clubs Ad Deadline: Nov. 11 Publication Date: Nov. 22

#### #25

16th Anniversary Double Year-End Issue Ad Deadline: Nov. 23 Publication Date: Dec. 6

#### **#1 (1994)** A&R Directory

Ad Deadline: Dec. 22, '93 Publication Date: Jan. 4, '94

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The recent industry-sponsored "American Rock Connection" Showcase proved once again that there is a market for straight-ahead rock & roll in L.A. This show featured raucous sets by the New Orleans Nightcrawlers (above left) and Done For Love, a spellbinding performance from Michael Kline & the Gypsys (above right) and an acoustic set by Jamie TeSelle, who was joined by guitarists Kevin Fisher and Warner/Chappell songwriter Jamie Houston. The next "A.R.C." Showcase is set for September 23rd at the Palomino in North Hollywood.

#### **Industry Showcases**

SONGWORKS

Always in search of undiscovered talent for their very successful monthly "Acoustic Underground" Showcase, the National Academy Of Songwriters has an "Open Mic" acoustic show at Highland Grounds scheduled for Tuesday, September 28th. For info and details call NAS at 213-463-7178.

ASCAP's next "Quiet On The Set" Showcase will be on Tuesday, September 21st at Largo. Be there, be quiet.... Shut up and listen! Contact Brendan Okrent at 213-883-1000.

BMI's next "New Music Nights" Showcase, which focuses more on alternative/cutting-edge acts, is slated for Thursday, September 23rd, at Club Lingerie in Hollywood. Showtime begins at 9:00 p.m. Call Kelly Horde at BMI 310-659-9109. The fifth edition of the industry-

BACKSTAGE BUDDLES

sponsored "American Rock Connection" Showcase is scheduled for Thursday, September 23rd, at the Palomino in North Hollywood. The only L.A. showcase that focuses on straight-ahead American rock & roll is co-sponsored by *Music Connection*, Third Encore Instrument Rentals & Rehearsal Studios, Mesa/Boogie, DW Drums and L.A. Vision Entertainment and is quickly becoming an exciting industry hangout.

The September 23rd show begins at 8:00 p.m. and features Criterion Publishing songwriter and piano wizard **Bob Malone** & his ninepiece band, the melodic rock of **Bigger Than Both Of Us**, the Southern rock sounds of **Dillinger** and the electrifying stage presence of rock vocalist extraordinaire **Danna Aliano**. Industry personnel are free with business cards. Call 310-379-8578 for further information.

#### **New Company**

-STEVEN P. WHEELER

Arthur Braun, former President of Dick James Music, U.S. for fifteen years, recently called to tell me that he is now the Executive Vice President/General Manager of Drive Entertainment's Publishing Division. "Our doors are open," says Braun, "and we're eagerly and actively looking for songwriters and artists. We're taking the Tin Pan Alley, nuts-and-bolts approach to publishing."

tive Don Grierson is the President of the company, while Stephen Powers, former President of Chameleon Records, is Drive Entertainment's CEO. Interested parties can send demo packages to 10351 Santa Monica Blvd., Suite 404, Los Angeles, CA 90025. Artists looking for a record deal should address their packages to Don Grierson, and songwriters seeking publishing deals should direct their packages to Arthur Braun. This is a golden opportunity to get in on the ground floor of a new and exciting company. Good luck to all at Drive Entertainment Inc.

#### New Songwriter Signings

Croatian guitarist/composer Shime has entered into a long-term worldwide co-publishing deal with Playhard Music/Warner-Chappell Music (a division of Shankman, DeBlasio, Melina, Inc.). After releasing four albums in his homeland of Croatia, Shime is residing in L.A. working on material for his debut American solo release and composing for film and television.

#### **Industry Grapevine**

Leeds Entertainment announced the appointment of Amy Goodfriend to the position of Marketing Manager, in which she will coordinate creative activities as well as marketing programs for the company. Most recently, Goodfriend

BMI recently showcased alternative rockers the Juliana Hatfield Three at Irving Plaza during the New Music Nights Festival in New York City. Pictured backstage after the show are (L-R): band member Todd Phillips, BMI's Jeff Cohen, band leader Juliana Hatfield, BMI's Charlie Feldman and band member Dean Fisher.



One of American rock's finest tunesmiths John Hiatt recently celebrated the release of his new A&M album *Perfectly Good Guitar* with a rousing afternoon performance at the Chaplin Soundstage on the A&M lot. Spotlighting a fiery, young band led by School Of Fish guitarist Michael Ward, Hiatt ripped through some great new material, like the catchy "Cross My Fingers" and the powerful "Permanent Hurt." Always a crowd-pleaser, Hiatt also included a couple of older songs, like his cult-classic "Slow Turning."

served as creative manager for the hit songwriting team of **Billy Steinberg** and **Tom Kelly**.

ASCAP announced the addition of Randy Lee as a Membership Representative. The former Epic Records publicity coordinator will serve as a liason between members and ASCAP. In addition, Lee will take an active role in ASCAP's ongoing efforts to attract and sign new writer and publisher members.

#### **BMI Innovations**

Fresh on the heels of unveiling a new unified music performance agreement for corporations and businesses that use music in their offices, gyms and other places, **BMI** recently announced a new unified music performance agreement that targets hospitals.



Amy Goodfriend, Marketing Manager, Leeds Entertainment.

The hospital agreement covers BMI-licensed music performed in rehabilitation areas, in television/radio programming received by the licensee on the premises, in audio/ visual presentations, live or recorded background music, and even "onhold" music.

"We're excited about our new agreements," says Frances W. Preston, President & CEO of BMI, "and our songwriters, composers and publishers can expect more from BMI in the near future."

#### **Industry Accolades**

Charles Koppelman, Chairman and CEO, EMI Records Group North America, was recently presented the Black Radio Exclusive Music "Publisher Of The Year" Award by publisher Sidney Miller. Koppelman was recognized for his commitment and dedication to publishing R&B music.

#### A&R Spotlight Update

My recent enthusiastic review of dynamic lead singer Danna Aliano and the Bay Area band Chain Of Blue has garnered quite a few phone calls. Yet, recently, there have been some changes within the band. In my book, singer-songwriter Aliano is the most intense, powerhouse vocalist around today, and you'll be able to see one of her roof-raising performances at the Palomino on September 23rd at 10:00 p.m. Interested A&R reps can contact Fernando Hernandez at 818-683-3812 for further information. MC



### JIM Cregan

#### Formerly Rod Stewart's guitarist, co-writer and co-producer, Cregan recently signed with MCA Music Publishing.

Producer-writer-guitarist Jim Cregan was the backbone of Rod Stewart's career from 1976 until 1989, when he decided to change the direction of his career. "My greatest problem throughout that period was that I was so involved with Rod's career that I never really had enough time to do anything else," explains Cregan. "We'd finish a tour, take a short break, write for the next album, record it and then hit the road again. That went on for years and years."

Cregan began to realize that he had to quit entirely if he was ever going to achieve his goals as a writer/producer. "Don't get me wrong," Cregan clarifies, "working with Rod was a wonderful job, and we're still good friends, but you can't become filthy rich unless you do your own thing [laughs], and have nothing against having a couple of million dollars in the bank."

Ironically, since officially leaving Stewart's band, Cregan has remained a noticeable presence in Rod the Mod's career, co-writing the Grammynominated hit "Forever Young," playing on Stewart's massively successful *Unplugged...And Seated* album and performing on the current tour.

Following the success of the MTV Unplugged performance, when Stewart asked Cregan to hit the road, it was an offer that the longtime L.A. resident says he couldn't refuse. "After doing that MTV show, I never dreamed how quickly I'd be bitten by the bug. It had been four or five years since I'd done a gig, and throughout that performance I was in sheer heaven."

One could say that Cregan's current workload is a pretty strange way to move on to other things, and the good-natured guitarist jokingly concurs. "When I stop and think about it, I know I'm goofing off," he says with a laugh. "I know that I should stay home and finish these songs I'm working on, but the temptation was just too much, so here I am on the road again."

When Cregan talks about the tour, which features a ten-piece band spearheaded by former Faces' keyboardist lan MacLagan and a full orchestra, one can't help but be bitten by that same enthusiastic bug. "I'd say that this tour is a 'one-off' thing for me, I really don't want to make my living touring anymore but I couldn't pass this one up."

The orchestras used in the show are comprised of the finest classical musicians in each city along the tour, a practical experiment. "We have a 'concert master,' who flies into each city and works with the orchestras before we arrive, then we soundcheck with them. It's quite a production but if I have anything to do with it, the band is always going to have that rough-and-ready-feel to it."

Fortunately, Stewart is also a classic rock & roller. "Rod's bands have never stuck to the note-for-note philosophy," explains Cregan. "With Rod, it has to do with knowing the basic arrangements, and the rest is up to the band. It's much better to have a great time onstage and maybe hit a couple of bum notes, than to be so polished that there's no spontaneity."

When it comes to writing songs (Cregan is Stewart's most prolific collaborator, having written 27 songs together, including the mega-hits "Tonight I'm Yours" and "Passion"), Cregan carries with him the same philosophy that he brings to the stage. "Writing songs for me is like walking to the edge of a cliff and jumping off. You have to let yourself go, and you either crash on the rocks below or you fly and grab a new song."

Cregan also notes that his attitude toward songwriting has changed over the years. "When I was younger, I didn't enjoy writing as much. I used to find it stressful, wondering if I'd always be able to come up with new musical ideas. In the last three or four years, I haven't found it to be stressful at all, it's an absolute joy. I don't fear it anymore."

Since inking a worldwide publishing deal with MCA Music Publishing, Cregan has had songs covered by Peter Cetera and Rita Coolidge, yet the veteran songwriter quickly points to collaborations as being the key to his success. "I'm essentially a co-writer, I enjoy the collaborative process. My strengths lie in the music and the melody, although I like to collaborate on lyrics, too."

As for the future, Cregan would only say, "There are a few production projects I've been offered but they'll have to wait until Rod's tour is over. I was also thrilled when Rod came to me and said that as soon as this tour is over, the two of us are going to be writing songs and recording. Suffice it to say that there will be some great things for me to do when I get back."

MCA Music Publishing, 1755 Broadway, New York, NY 10019, 212-841-8019.

#### -MICHAEL AMICONE

AUDIO / VIDEO

A STRANGE 'GIFT': Warner Reprise Home Video recently held special screenings across the United States for The Gift, the long-awaited movie directed by former Jane's Addiction frontman Perry Farrell and his wife Casey Niccoli. The controversial film, which was finished last year, centers around the drug-oriented exploits of Farrell and Niccoli, and only features fellow members of the now-defunct Jane's Addiction during the concert footage clips. Resembling an art film, The Gift is packed with black humor-some unintentional-and intersperses live footage of such Jane's faves as "Stop," "Ain't No Right" and "Been Caught Stealing." While scenes such as Farrell and Niccoli's Santaria wedding are curiously beautiful, other moments, like the graphic accounts of the couple shooting up, are sanity assaulting. After Niccoli overdoses and dies, Farrell grieves unabashedly and utters, "She was still warm, and I wanted to make love to her one more time ... I know that sounds sick.' The scene that follows is quite disturbing. The movie also features reallife bondage babe Mistress Kiki Rose, who pours hot wax over the exposed buttocks of Triple X Records President Dean Naleway (Jane's first re-

#### OUTSIDE SET



Columbia artist Kenny Loggins recently recorded his new album and fulllength home video, *Outside: From The Redwoods*, during a two-day period at the outdoor Shakespeare Festival Glen in Santa Cruz. Shown on location are director Stanley Dorfman, Kenny Loggins, Sandra Hay of Visualize Productions and manager Oenzyl Feigelson.

lease was on Triple X), who portrays Marty Mefurst, the group's stereotypical greedy manager. Berlin frontwoman Terri Nunn makes a cameo as Rose's whip-cracking compatriot. The Gift, which was produced by talented L.A. folk singer-songwriter Allan Wachs, will screen locally at select midnight performances and is also available through Warner

#### IN THE STUDIO

Reprise Home Video.-Tom Farrell **RED ZONE STUDIOS: Producer** John Porter, mixing two songs for Taj Mahal's new Private Music release, with engineer Joe McGrath and assistant Rich Veltrop adding the sonic expertise ... Producer Denis Degher, recording and mixing tracks for Mercury Records act Rob Rules, a new outfit which contains former members of longtime alternative darlings Mary's Danish...Sony International artist Franco DeVita, in Studio A, mixing tracks for his next release, with engineer Majik Moreno manning the boards, assisted by Rich Veltrop and Scott Sebring.

**DEVOLUTION:** The Voyager Company has released Devo: The Complete Truth About De-evolution, a comprehensive history of this seminal new wave, hyperactive outfit that came into vogue during the early Eighties with their Top Fifteen hit, "Whip It," and herky jerky cover of the Stones classic "Satisfaction." The Complete Truth includes all nineteen of the band's videos, rare footage of early live performances and even a Devo fashion show, all of it laced together with a secondary audio track featuring commentary from band members Gerald Casale and MC Mark Mothersbaugh.

**BIG SESSION** 



Atlantic act Mr. Big recently wrapped up recording and mixing chores for their new album, entitled *Bump Ahead*. Produced by Kevin Elson, the record was recorded at Rumbo Recorders in Los Angeles and mixed at Fantasy Studios in Berkeley. The first single is slated to be a remake of the Cat Stevens classic "Wild World." Pictured at Fantasy Studios during mixing sessions are (L-R, standing) producer Kevin Elson, manager Sandy Einstein and band member Pat Torpey, (sitting) label rep Kevin Williamson and band members Eric Martin, Billy Sheehan and Paul Gilbert.



Local faves Michael Kline & the Gypsys were recently at One-On-One Studios in North Hollywood working on an independent release for Spirit Records. Pictured during mixing sessions are (L-R, back row) recent recruit Monty Byrom, Trent Stroh, Buck Johnson, Michael Kline and Oenny Weston, Jr., (sitting) engineer/mixer Joel Soyffer, producer Charlie Midnight, Spirit Records President Sharon Seymour.

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#### ENGINEER CROSSTALK



### MICK **GUZAUSKI**

This sonic specialist has mixed platinum projects by Mariah Carey and Whitney Houston

**By Jonathan Widran** 

ith the enormous growth of musical technology has inevitably come more specialized areas of expertise, and Mick Guzauski has created an enviable niche in one of the most important of these, as a mixer extraordinaire. Though as a hired gun he garners less glory than the high profile producers and engineers he works for, the Rochester, NY native has played a pivotal role in the way we've heard some of today's biggest rock, adult contemporary and soul artists.

Though his signature style of mixing and platinum-plated resuméincluding Kenny Ğ, Mariah Carey, Whitney Houston and Michael Boltonhas earned him compliments, Guzauski claims that the speedy and transient nature of his work doesn't allow him to put his own identifiable stamp on the projects he's involved in. "While the engineer is involved in the whole process, working for a day or two on a song doesn't give me much time to add my own personal touch," he explains. "My job is to enhance rather than change the music. Part of it involves understanding what the artist and the producer wanted originally and trying to execute that faithfully, and part of it is building a soundstage...where I hear things placed, what type of effects...basically, it's the placement of sounds in an idealized space.

Guzauski insists there is both a creative and technical muse at work as he sets out to find what works best for each individual artist. He claims this is especially true for re-mixes, where he's hired for very specific reasons. "A hard rock act like Guns will ask for a louder guitar, while creating an exclusive single for AC radio might call for softening the track that was on the original album," he says. "I get a lot of calls for these kinds of specifics, where I'm there to fix the format of a cut." Among his more notable re-mixes have been Earth, Wind & Fire's "Let's Groove" and Madonna's "Who's That Girl.

The success of his AC-oriented mixes-and the fact that twenty percent of his work is on David Foster-produced projects—has made it too easy for other producers and engineers to pigeonhole Guzauski into the "lighter sounds" Rolodex. But, while he loves adult pop and soul music, he's also pleased with the opportunities he's had to mix edgier pieces for more aggressive acts such as L.A. Guns, Joan Jett and Kiss. Guzauski also recently added co-producer to his list of credits, adding to his mixing responsibilities for the upcoming former Tears For Fears Curt Smith release.

"It was nice to do more work on that project because again, I was part of the whole process, not just a helping hand for one or two days," he muses. "I'd like to be involved in more projects in this more personal way.

This sentiment seems logical in light of the fact that Guzauski started his career as an engineer with an eve toward greater involvement in the production process. After doing road sound work for a while ("learning about acoustic space and instruments"), he took the knowledge gained from those experiences and built a small home studio, where he engineered demos for Rochester artists, including then-unknowns Lou Gramm and Steve Gadd.

Among his clients was also Chuck Mangione, whose career was just about to catch fire. Mangione invited Guzauski out to L.A. to work as both engineer and mixer for future projects, which would include the breakthrough smash, "Feels So Good." "I had every intention of continuing to do both things, engineering and mixing," Guzauski recalls, "but when people started liking my mixes and kept calling me to do theirs, it became easier to be more in demand and spend less time on any one project.

"I see mixing as an evolution from engineering," he continues, "and would advise anyone who aspires to my job to start as an engineer. I came in at the right time, just as the recording process became more complex. I found the challenge more exciting than simply recording take after take.

Another reason for the explosion of mixing engineers is the objective opinion such a specialist can bring when the principals have become too close to a project. "Sure, any given album can be smooth and exciting all the way through for producer and engineer," he laughs, "but often, when the engineer has had days of nothing but repetitive overdubs, he gets sick of listening to the song and needs someone to come in with a fresh angle.

"I'm learning all the time, with each project," he concludes. "I'm learning new technologies, about existing technologies, trying out new products from different manufacturers. But more importantly, I'm learning my craft, what I do that pleases the artists and producers, the listening public and what pleases me. I'm always trying to strike a balance between synth effects and acoustic sounds, adding new ideas to my palette all the time."

Mick Guzauski can be reached at (310) 820-4754.



#### **Control 1E Powered Monitor** from JBL

The new Control 1E is a powered version of the Control 1 personal monitor speaker. A separate 20 watt amplifier drives the 135mm bass driver while a 10 watt amp takes care of the 19mm high frequency dome tweeter. A built-in electronic crossover or dividing network splits the incoming signal into signals for each of these amplifiers. The speaker requires a balanced line input but a high/low sensitivity switch allows the speaker to work from either a line output or speaker output. Furthermore, you can "satellite" any number of Control IE's by connecting them to a provided line output lack on the speaker. Like the original Control 1, the IE is fully magnetically shielded for use around video monitors or computer terminals. For more information, contact JBL Professional at 8500 Balboa Blvd., Northridge, CA 91329. You can call at 818-893-8411 or FAX 818-893-0358.



The new ADAT Training Video is the latest product training aid from Alesis. This video covers the whole ADAT recording system as well as the BRC Master Remote Controller. It comes with every ADAT purchase and now it is available to anyone who may be contemplating the big step from analog to digital multitrack recording. Selling for \$10.00, this video may be purchase directly through Alesis Merchandising at 800-5-ALESIS.

Other worthwhile videos from Alesis include: a tour of the HR-16 Drum Machine, the MMT-8 Sequencer and a tutorial on the Quadraverb Processor, l'Mixing 101" features the Alesis 1622 Mixing Console while "The Basis of MIDI" is hosted by Craig Anderton. Each of these videos sell for \$19.95.

Alesis is located at 3630 Holdrege Avenue, L.A., CA 90016. Phone them at 310-558-4530 or FAX 310-836-9192.



#### Yamaha's GW 50 Guitar Performance Effector

The GW 50 is a foot-controlled guitar effects unit with a built-in "backing" or accompaniment section. The effect section has five effect blocks that can be arranged in many ways. The five are: compressor, distortion, equalizer, chorus and reverb/delay. These five effects reside and look like five separate stomp boxes but the system has memory for up to 50 presets as well as full MIDI. Also built-in is a noise gate and a chromatic tuner.

The backing section produces rhythm and instrumental (chordal) sounds from a library of 248 preset rhythm patterns and a total of 25 different chord types in any key. You also have the ability to sequence complete songs in realtime or step-edit modes and you may edit at anytime during the song. For more information, contact Yamaha Corporation at P.0. Box 6600, Buena Park, CA 90622-6600. Phone 714-522-9011.





**Steve Stevens SS40 Guitar** from Washburn

The production version of the US Custom SS80 is called the SS40. So for \$800 retail (or about half the price of the SS80) you get a solid alder body with direct mounted Washburn humbuckers. The neck is one piece maple with a "skunk strip" and a flat mounted Floyd Rose type tremolo. All gold hardware is used and being a Steve Stevens model, the guitar comes only in Jet Black.

For more information, contact Washburn International at 255 Corporate Woods Parkway, Vernon Hills, IL 60061-3901. MC

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and is being targeted for movie production. , Streeter is currently one of the bigger draws of the San Joaquin Valley where she has opened for such acts as Pam Tillis and Dwight For Yoakam. more information about Streeter and Torn From The Heart, write to Quiet Rumors Music, P.O. Box 691124, Stockton CA 95269 or call 209-473-2579.

Thanks go out to Renaud West of the West Entertainment Group, whoon September 2 produced the Third Annual After-Party Tribute to the Video Music Awards at the

You don't have to be a country fan to like the music of Shelly Streeter. You just have to appreciate great songwriting and musicianship, clean production and a voice packed with personality. That's what you'll find on our new most favorite CD, Torn From The Heart. The disc is a collection of eleven songs by writers Louise Jurgens and Sam Beasley, meant to accompany Jurgens' autobiography of the same name. As a musical soundtrack to a non-fiction book, this is a very uncommon product. The musical styles, all handled more than aptly by Modesto-native Streeter, span the same 30-year history covered by the book. Stand-out tracks include "Remember," a Sixties-style song that Roy Orbison might have written, "Still Strangers," a blues rock song, and "Woman With No Last Name," an adult-contemporary examination of a woman's experience. Torn From The Heart, the book, hit stores nationally in January

**Shelly Streeter** 

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Hollywood Palladium. This year's annual but unofficial post-awards bash was sponsored by Los Angeles magazine to benefit Caring For Babies With AIDS, a non-profit organization providing residential and community outreach service to HIVinfected infants, children and their families. Co-hosting the party were Crystal Bernard (Wings) and a whole cornucopia of second generation Hollywood notables including Lou Rawls II, Marvin Gaye III, Ami Dolenz, Damon Welch, Sandy Hacket, Eden Alpert, Chris Mancini and David Farentino.

Rap duo Duice got very excited recently when they met the inspiration for their platinum-selling single, "Dazzey Duks," actress **Catherine Bach**, when the former *Dukes Of Hazzard* star made a cameo appearance in their video. The single pays homage to the short-shorts made popular by Bach's character, Daisy Duke, from the long-gone se-



ries. The Duice cuthas enjoyed much crossover success. "Dazzey Duks" has become a staple in aerobic classes, is performed by cheer-leading squads and has been picked up by the country crowd who have created their own line dance, originated at Spurs Country Music Club in Memphis, to stamp their claim on the fad. The single is the title cut taken from Duice's new CD out now on Bellmark Records.

Next time you pass by **System M** in Long Beach, stop in. This upscale restaurant/art space on the newlyresurgent Pine St. features the best in cuisine, canvas and concert. Until September 15, they also feature an exhibition of recent work by **Victor Gastelum**, an extremely talented South Bay artist who has done much work past and current work for **SST Records**. Well worth the trek even if the club isn't on your way home. System M is at 213A Pine Ave., Downtown Long Beach. Call 310-435-2525.

Look for *True Romance*, the latest soundtrack offering from Morgan Creek Records. This accompanying disc to the new Christian Slater/Patricia Arquette flick features quite an eclectic mix of styles: rock, grunge, techno, R&B and country. Featured artists include Soundgarden, Chris Isaak, Robert Palmer, Charlie Sexton, Nymphomania, an operatic selection performed by Delibes and a score by Hans Zimmer. John Waite has the first single, "In Dreams." True Romance is the tale of two unlikely lovers who flee to Los Angeles after double-crossing the Detroit mob, eventually finding themselves on the wrong side of both cops and gangsters. In the supporting cast are Dennis Hopper, Val Kilmer, Brad Pitt, Christopher Walken, Chris Penn, Gary Oldman and Conchata Farrell

Warner Bros. Records hasjoined with the Body Shop, a nationwide chain of retail stores specializing in natural skin and hair care products, in a special AIDS awareness campaign. The Body Shop will introduce its own line of condoms and lubricants, the record company will sell a limited edition compact disc featuring concerned artists such as Belly, New Order and Depeche Mode. The CD will be available exclusively through Body Shop stores and their fall/Christmas catalog. New proceeds will benefit a variety of AIDS-



L.A. Snow (Duice), Catherine Bach and Creo-D (Duice)



Artwork by Victor Gastelum is now on exibit at System M in Long Beach



**Tommy Thomas on Musician Discoveries** 

related community-based programs. Additionally, Sire Records recording artists the Judybats will headline an upcoming college tour cosponsored by The Body Shop to increase AIDS awareness. Concertgoers will receive free Protect & Respect kits packed with Body Shop condoms, lubricant and AIDS information.

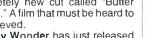
Cable access fans will want to check out the latest instalment of Musician Discoveries. This month, the program features a jazz group headed by Tommy Thomas, a music instructor at Cypress College who has just released his first CD Aphrodisiac. The half-hour band showcase program, produced and di-rected by Wendy D. Barnes, airs in six cities in Los Angeles and Orange Counties. Julia Ball hosts the program. For more information about the show or to book an act, write to Barnes Productions, 4141 Ball Rd., Suite 109, Cypress CA 90630.

Los Angeles-based rappers Too Down, whose new CD Ballin' After Dark has just been released by I.R.S. Records, aren't waiting for the disc to pick up steam on its own. They're already making future plans beginning with landing one of their songs on the soundtrack to the upcoming flick The Bank Robber. The upcoming film stars Forrest Whitaker, Lisa Bonet and Patrick Dempsey. Kid K and Rock G contribute the track "Come Follow Me." The lead single from the current product is "You Got It Goin' On." The CD was produced by James Carter, DJ Fabe and Cliff Richey, all veterans of another favorite L.A. act, Lighter Shade of Brown.

promises to be one of the great cult favorites of the serious music junkie. Included cuts are few but potent. Blind Idiot God with vocals by Henry Rollins turns in the title track, P. Funk with George Clinton and produced by Bill Laswell turn in a track titled "Hideous Mutant Freaks" and the Butthole Surfers contribute a completely new cut called "Butter Queen." A film that must be heard to be believed.

Sony Wonder has just released the Nickelodeon Collection. This grouping of video and audio titles is taken from episodes of top-rated

New in theaters is Freaked, which



Too Down has a new CD and a track on the soundtrack to The Bank Robber

MUSIC CONNECTION, SEPTEMBER 13-SEPTEMBER 26, 1993

Nickelodeon series like Ren & Stimpy, Rugrats, Doug and the SNICK programming block and includes original Nick-style short features and vi-gnettes. Two audio recordings from the collection feature music from the Ren & Stimpy show along with all-new songs. Available everywhere children's music and video are sold. Oh, Joy! fifteen

After years of making albums, Sting is still following a different drummer. Beginning with its premiere September 15 at 6:00 p.m. PST, catch up with the former Police man on Sting: A Musical Voyage, the kick off to the

fall season of the PBS prime-time pop series, In The Spotlight. The program shadows Sting as he takes the songs from his latest album, Ten Summoner's Tales, to luscious locales in Norway, Italy, Greece and Turkey. Musical highlights of the program include "Roxanne," "King Of Pain," "Every Breath You Take" and "If I Ever Lose My Faith In You." Later on in the season, look for In

The Spotlight to focus on pop stars Billy Joel, Sade, Joe Cocker and

Luther Vandross. Check your guide for show times. Legendary jazz

keyboardist Joe Sample is flying high these days. His recent segment as a featured artist on the American Airlines headset music program Jazz-**Times Presents** Fresh Jazz sparked a flurry of response from passengers who listened to an interview with Sample and selections from his current Warner Bros. **Records** release Invitation. They lit up lines at a special Tower Records 800 number to order invitations by mail. If you like the-

atre, we recommend you see Ondine. Robert Jacobs and Liza Rivera star in this first production of PRTE's ninth sea-



Sting's In The Spotlight on September 15 on PBS

son, a dramatic fantasy by the French master Jean Giraudoux. The play runs through September 26. For ticket info, call 213-660-TKTS

Can you help? Show Biz has been searching desperately for the Southern California Early Music Society to help fill out an item for a future column. We used to have a number but, alas, seem to have misplaced it and we can no longer find a listing. If you know, please write us here at the magazine. Any leads would be MC greatly appreciated.



Robert Jacobs and Liza Rivera star in Ondine





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CONTEST WINNERS: Legendary hard rock group Aerosmith is pictured with the lucky KNAC contest winners who won the chance to meet with the veteran band at Aerosmith's recent Pacific Amphitheatre gig.

TATOU JAM: For nearly two years, the China Club in Los Angeles was the place to be on Monday Nights. It was on this night that superstars and talented newcomers, backed by a crack band of seasoned professionals, would let down their hair, performing brief sets in an intimate club setting for several hundred lucky clubgoers, including a few of their very famous friends. Still, despite having the jewel of the L.A. club scene, the China Club couldn't cut it in the City of Angels (it didn't help that they were repeatedly closed down by the fire marshalls) and eventually closed its doors. Now, an incarnation of the former China Club ProJam house band, dubbed Black N' White and led by expert keyboardist/showman Billy Preston and ace guitarist Jeff "Skunk" Baxter, has taken up residence on Monday Nights at classy Beverly Hills nightspot/restaurant Tatou. There, every Monday night, with a China Club banner proudly displayed, several of the same talented musicians who made the China Club ProJam such a pleasure are trying to gamely recapture some of that past magic in front of an enthusiastic, packed house of L.A.'s rich and beautiful. Dave Mason, red-hot vocalist Bekka Bramlett and David Crosby are among the special guests who have graced the Tatou stage. Pictured (above, far left) the Tatou ProJam house band, with **Billy Preston behind the** organ, and (above,





CANNED LAUGHTER: Producer Ron Bloom, gonzo DJ Frazer Smith, Jimmy Z and Tony Bowman, David Raven and Ralph Carter of the Jimmy Z Chill Factor are pictured at the Laugh Factory, where a live comedy show, hosted by Frazer Smith and featuring musical interludes by Jimmy Z and his new band, the Chill Factor, is taped every Saturday Night for eventual airing on radio station KLSX.

OPEN MIC: Leslie Knauer (a.k.a. Mrs. Fletcher)—former vocalist for all-female rockers Precious Metal—recently celebrated her birthday with an acoustic performance at Highland Grounds. Knauer (pictured right), currently the namesake of local band Mrs. Fletcher, is the host of the new Open Mic Night, held every Tuesday night at Hollywood's favorite English pub, Cat & Fiddle.

ROCK-IT-COMIX: Malibu Comics recently introduced their upcoming line of rock & roll comic books, dubbed Rock-It-Comix, at the San Diego Comic Convention. A joint publishing and marketing venture by Malibu, Gold Mountain Entertainment and International Strategic Marketing, Rock-It-Comix is the first rock comic series to be made with the complete assistance and control of the artist. Rock-It-Comix will debut in November with issues on Lita Ford, Ozzy Osbourne, Metallica (the first of a three-issue retrospective) and World Domination (the story of an alternative label going up against the system). Future issues will profile Megadeth, Anthrax, Black Sabbath, the Doors (a four-issue retrospective), Primus, Soundgarden and Yes, among others. Pictured (above, left) at the Rock-It-Comix dinner are In-

SAVING THE ENVIRONMENT: Following his recent Irvine Meadows performance, the Gangster of Love, Steve Miller, touring in support of his new Polydor album, Wide River, and his backing band dropped by to sign autographs at a backstage party, held to benefit the UCLA Environmental Science and Engineering Program. The ESE Program, sponsored by the Save the Earth Foundation, is geared to addressing important environmental issues, such as air and water pollution. toxic and hazardous waste. Pictured at the after-concert backstage party are (L-R) ESE Program Director Dr. Arthur Winer, Steve Miller and party organizer Ken Margolis.

ternational Strategic Marketing's John Anderson, Lita Ford, Malibu Comix's Gerry Kline, Lita's cartoon alter ego, Rock-It-Comix Editor Robert V. Conte and Acquisitions Director Jack Jacobs. Also pictured above: examples of the Lita Ford, Metallica and Megadeth artwork.

#### MUSIC CONNECTION Tidbits from our tattered past

**1984—A&R LIFEGUARD:** EMI A&R rep Jamie Cohen (he saved a guy at the Ambassadour pool last year), was at it again recently. During a party for John Waite aboard a 120-foot yacht docked in the Marina, Frenchy Gautier, EMI's Creative Services VP, lost his balance and fell overboard. Looking down, Jamie saw that Frenchy was in trouble, so he removed his jacket and dived in after Gautier and managed to pull Gautier to safety.

1986-I BEG YOUR PARTON: Not that she would have done any hard time, but a million-dollar lawsuit is nothing to sneeze at-even if you're Dolly Parton. Having been charged with songnapping by amateur songsmiths Neil and Jan Goldberg, an eight-member jury found Dolly Parton "not guilty" of stealing parts of a song originally entitled "Money World," written by the Goldbergs. The couple had charged that Parton lifted the melody of their chorus as well as some of the lyrics. 1989-BEASTIE BASH: Capitol Records threw a New Orleansspiced album release party for the Beastie Boys' new album, Paul's Boutique. The shindig was held atop the Capitol Records Tower and featured Cajun cooking and a bonafide Dixieland band. One Capitol executive gushed with so much pride over the new record, he labeled it the "Sqt. Pepper of rap.



WHAT DO DORIS DAY AND MEGADETH HAVE IN COM-MON?...GIVE UP?: "Who would have thought that Megadeth and Doris Day would be mentioned in same breath?" jokes the Megadeth leader Dave Mustaine. But, in a bizarre press release, Capitol has announced that the veteran heavy metal band recently received Genesis Awards' "Doris Day Music Award" for the antihunting message contained on their album, Countdown To Extinction. Held at the Century Plaza Hotel, the Genesis Awards are an annual presentation honoring individuals who have increased an understanding of animal issues. "The members of Megadeth are far from perfect, and we don't meet all the 'politically correct' criteria," says Mustaine, "but we find it absolutely insane that there are people who raise animals solely for the sport of hunting."



GOOD BUDDIES: Roseanne's other half, Tom Arnold, turned out for good buddy Paul Metsa's recent West Coast bow at the Troubadour. Metsa, a winner at this year's Minnesota Music Awards, received a real Hollywood welcome when Arnold introduced Metsa to the crowd. Metsa performed selections from his album debut, *Whistling Past The Graveyard*, on PST Records. Pictured (L-R): PST co-owners Tom Korstad and Steven Machat, Metsa and Arnold.



ed Zeppelin was the greatest hard rock band ever. They brought to the genre a ferocity, an aggressiveness, a power that remains unmatched today. Fans elevated the group's status from legend to myth even in their time, giving Led Zeppelin a hallowed veneration usually reserved for religious figures. In 1990, Jimmy Page told Rolling Stone, "I thought I was in the greatest band in the world." John Paul Jones concurred in an interview with Musician the same year, adding, "At our very worst, we were better than most people, and at our very best, we could wipe the floor with the lot of them."

#### By Tom Farrell

W ith starry-eyed fans still perpetuating the Zeppelin myth, one fact remains: More than a decade after their disbanding, Led Zeppelin still garners constant press attention, radio airplay, sales and continues to influence musicians. To date, "Stairway To Heaven" is probably the most-played song on FM radio—and it was never released as a single. All this from a band who chose their name from a chaffing remark as to how badly their career would fare.

Jimmy Page formed Led Zeppelin in 1968 after a two-year stint with the Yardbirds, a remarkable band that spawned three of rock music's greatest guitar players, Clapton, Page and Beck. The 24 year-old musician already had an impressive resumé, playing in bands since he was twelve before departing to art school at age seventeen. Still, Page continued to jam at night in local blues clubs and began the session work which would set his career in motion. Eventually, producer Shel Talmy began to keep Page around during sessions for the Who and the Kinks in the event he was needed. In his 1977 interview series with Trouser Press, Page said of his session days, "It's a boring life. You're like a machine."

During his session work, Page made two important moves that would play a key part in Led Zeppelin's success: his decision to branch out into production, and his alliance with fellow studio player John Paul Jones. Jones, two years Page's junior, arranged Donovan's "Mellow Yellow" and "Sunshine Superman." Page began to produce for Immediate Records and Andrew Loog Oldham and was soon offered a spot with the Yardbirds, which he turned down on two occasions, suggesting Beck as Clapton's replacement. Upon Paul Samwell-Smith's departure in the late summer of 1966, Page joined the Yardbirds as their bassist and quickly switched to guitar.

Although earning only a third of what he pulled in as a session player, Page stuck with the Yardbirds to the end and hooked up with Peter Grant, who was working for producer/manager Mickie Most. Grant soon took over management of the Yardbirds and impressed Page with his financial acumen. When the band split up, Page was contacted by John Paul Jones, who informed Page that he was interested in working with him. Page's original plan was to continue under the Yardbirds moniker with Terry Reid as singer and second guitarist. Reid had just signed with Most and suggested instead a 20year-old singer named Robert Plant, who was fronting a band called Hobbstweedle. Plant suggested former Band of Joy member John "Bonzo" Bonham, also twenty. After clicking in rehearsal, the band recorded the first album in under 30 hours. Led Zeppelin was born and ready to unleash their thunder on the world.

Meanwhile, the hype machine that became synonymous with Led Zeppelin

began to roll. Brought in to Atlantic by then Executive VP Jerry Wexler, the exact terms of Led Zeppelin's deal were kept secret, while the record company press release screamed:

### "ATLANTIC RECORDS SICNS ENGLAND'S HOT NEW GROUP, LED ZEPPELIN, IN ONE OF THE BIGGEST DEALS OF THE YEAR."

What is known of Led Zeppelin's label dealings is that they fought for a high degree of artist freedom in many departments. Grant and Page's business sense proved to be 20/20 in hindsight, but many of their label-oriented decisions were utterly unheard of, and seen by record company execs as career suicide. They insisted on and received control over many aspects of their marketing, including album design, sometimes with undesirable consequences. The farmers wheel design for Led Zeppelin III, the slotted cover for Physical Graffiti and the multiple covers for In Through The Out Door caused release delays combining to over one year.

Still, no group has utter freedom, and one of Led Zeppelin's most interesting conflicts with Atlantic Records was over single releases, a feud they eventually

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John Bonham

Jimmy Page

John Paul Jones



# Sergio Silva

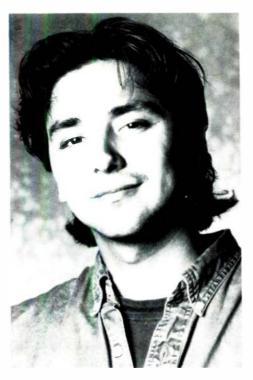
### National Manager, Video Promotion

#### By Jonathan Widran

The way MTV has taken over our musical culture these past twelve years, it might seem that all a video promotion department at a label might need to break an artist is a good rapport with that network's program people.

But Sergio Silva, who, as National Manager of this department for A&M Records, spends the bulk of his days on the horn pushing images of his label's diverse roster, finds greater rewards placing videos on regional and cable channels we L.A. folk never hear about.

Realizing that MTV and such national strongholds as VH-1 simply can't accommodate every new and deserving artist, Silva



turns to the 300-500 smaller outlets available to him, hoping the aggregate exposure will help new bands achieve the success of their more MTV acceptable counterparts. Considering that *Billboard* recently confirmed that seventeen percent of consumers buy based on regional show airplay versus an only slightly higher figure of eighteen percent for MTV viewers, his small target shooting seems appropriate and has proven effective.

"Part of my job," he believes, "is educating myself about the many new and different ways to get a band out there through the use of video. I'm always going for less recognized, less traditional ways of promoting them."

While local commercial TV channels are always a good bet, the average music video fan might be surprised to realize that many of Silva's most agreeable outlets are the videophiles who set up their own programs on public access channels for next to nothing. Seeing as how no money need exchange hands from either side, these "hosts" are usually willing to spin a clip from an unknown entity. "If they're not making a profit from their show, they can play our promo videos for free," Silva explains. "I'm sure there are many of these shows I never hear from or approach, but what I try to do is see for each area which of these programs reaches the largest target audience for whatever I'm pushing."

Silva acknowledges that the one frustration of being with an indie label is that the promotional budgets are smaller than the conglomerates like Sony or Warner Bros. But that's when his department gets most creative. He'll often work with both radio and retail on cross promotional campaigns, but has also done well with breaking acts coming up with freebie "chotchkes" and contests which create awareness of a less familiar name.

Silva's ideas for the band Paw (A&M's answer to Alice in Chains, "our own Pearl Jam") show a clever marketing mind at work. In San Francisco, he has a promotion going with the California Music Channel, which is the largest cable video station in the Bay Area. The station is having viewers send in pictures of their pet, calling the segment "Where's My Dog?" to tie in with the "Paw" name and concept. CMC broadcasts a random photo between videos, and if a viewer calls to ID their pooch, they win the infamous "Paw Package."

"You know, they get all the stuff associated with dogs," Silva laughs. "Like a Frisbee, a ton of dog food, an official Paw pooper scooper...Paw's first video, 'Jesse,' did in fact revolve around a dog, so we thought it would help create a small buzz with a canine promotion. The best way to get people interested is to have them interact with things. When

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stations are so inundated with new videos, they like it when a company like ours gives them incentive by approving a contest like this.

"With an artist like Sting," he adds, "you obviously don't need to do much more than send the clip, but the trick is to get listeners to remember the new group they just heard. I enjoy giving the shows and stations the freedom to come up with new promotional ideas. Whatever works. Just about every band who signs with A&M has one video in their contract, and I have to make sure it gets out there."

Silva sees his position as a chance to contribute to the way TV in general shapes people's lives, an opportunity to forge ahead and devise new and exciting ways to keep the future of the form as innovative as it was back in 1981. While commenting on the messages of the medium as expressed by U2's Zooropa, Silva adds that he feels the growth of video continues to make it easier for new artists to get their music out to the public and to record companies who might never have heard them before.

"Take a look at Green Jelly, Tool, Blind Melon, groups like that, who owe so much of their musical success to the acceptance of their cutting edge videos," Silva says. "The success of MTV and their smaller counterparts has proven what I've learned—that videos are the most accessible way to get people familiar with new music. Before, you just got the music, now you get the image, the look, what the artists are really all about."

He cites the imagery of the Seventies styles

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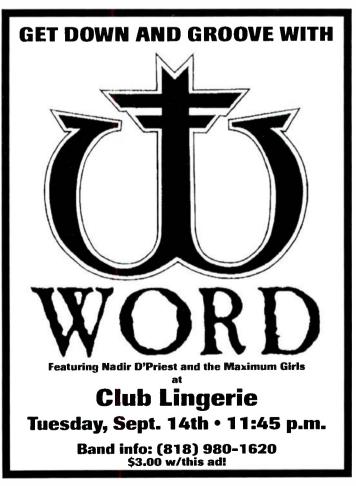
shown in Lenny Kravitz's retro clip, "Are You Gonna Go My Way?" as influencing numerous young viewers who now find it hip to dress like that. "A video like that shows that it only takes a few minutes of a great short film to be both powerful and immediate."

Silva's most profound realization in the two-plus years he's been in his present position (after serving as both an intern in the department during his UCLA days and later, assistant to then-Senior Director of the department Emily Whitmore) is the fact that unsigned bands which understand the power of the form have a better chance than ever before to get attention from the A&R community. Besides the "whole package" concept, shooting a video is much cheaper than recording a professional demo in a studio.

"Video is the wave of the future in terms of how to break into the business," Silva observes. "It's like the punk revolution, where new forms simply take over, finding a way to communicate in a whole different way. Videos are much cheaper to make than pressing those 7" singles bands used to use. A good artist with talent doesn't need as much behind them anymore.

"As the corporate structure of the music business starts to realize how important those regional shows are, local bands who are able to get on such programs stand a better chance of being seen, then signed. I foresee a day, in fact, when the sound quality of a video is so good that people forgo the CD and buy the video first. Image has always been a part of the business, but that's never been true on such a wide scale as it is now."





# **TOUR BUS COMPANIES**

Taking The Show On The

#### By James Tuverson

Being a touring musician can put you anywhere on a wide spectrum of scenarios when it comes to making your living.

Of course, the most successful bands in this industry need not spare any expenses when it comes to touring—transportation between gigs often means the use of private limousines and chartered planes. On the flip side, local acts who haven't yet ventured past the borders of their own county and who aren't ready to take the plunge into making music on the road usually have to be satisfied with cramming into a van to make their shows at local nightclubs in town.

Between those two extremes is a multitude of bands who do book shows out of town, who are playing across the state or throughout the country, and who need to get band members, support personnel and equipment from one region to another with a minimum of hassle and expense. For those performers, the idea of booking a tour bus for that next trip on the road may be the best way to go. Depending on the number of people associated with your act and the amount of gear you have to lug around, renting a tour bus can be significantly cheaper than booking airline flights and much more comfortable than attempting to tour with a caravan of privately owned vehicles. There are several companies in the L.A. area who specialize in tour bus rental; the buses they rent are equipped with amenities that make a long road trip seem shorter, and they can accommodate up to 50 people, plus gear and luggage.

Rented tour buses come equipped with a gualified driver whose job it is to get you from here to there in one piece. There's obviously a great advantage to renting a bus complete with a driver, as it puts the responsibility on someone else to worry about traffic and freeways and staying awake. The driver can deal with on-the-road necessities like maintenance of the vehicle, and all you have to worry about is how to pass the time of day. The driver is included in the rental price of the bus (in fact, all the companies we have listed require that the bus be driven by one of their employees), but you will have to spring for the driver's hotel room and meals. It is also customary to tip the driver for good service.

Another great advantage to traveling by tour bus was brought to light by Mari Vargas





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# Select Tour Bus Rental Companies

Here are three of the largest and most reputable companies who rent tour buses for touring musicians:

#### □ Le Grand Tours, Inc. 8949 Reseda Blvd., Suite 104, Northridge 818-349-6626 Contact: Sandy Darby Years in business: 8 Bus sizes: 42 passengers Price range per day: \$350-800, discount for multiple days On-board amenities: VCR, restroom, reclining seats, stereo, footrests, tray tables, air conditioning 2-way restroom, reclining Seats, stereo, footrests, tray tables, air conditioning Contact: Sandy Darby Seats and the seats are an area to a seats area to a seats

of Lotus Charter, Inc.: "Let's take for example a tour where the distance between venues is 200 to 400 miles. Air fare between stops would be prohibitive for a group of 20-25 people. Furthermore, you would have to pay for transportation from the hotel to the airport and vice-versa. Transportation from the hotel to the concert itself would also have to be considered. Also to be accounted for would be travel time between hotels and airports, plus check-in and baggage claim. Once you get to a hotel, you would have to unload equipment and load it up again for the concert.

"With a tour bus, you can travel at your own relaxed pace, like you would if you were to travel by car, only much more comfortably. You have no planes to catch and no luggage to load and unload at airports; you travel from hotel to hotel directly."

Sandy Darby, who represents Le Grand Tours, Inc. in Northridge, emphasized that security was an important issue while travel-



Many buses provide footrests and service trays.

#### □ Lotus Charter, Inc. 8843 Las Tunas Drive, Suite B, Rosemead 818-285-8867 Contact: Mari Vargas Years in business: 5 Bus sizes: 47, 49, 50 passengers Price range per day: \$500-800, discount for multiple days On-board amenities: VCR, restroom, reclining seats, 2-way radio

ing: "Besides being economical, tour buses are a secure form of travel. Having all the equipment, as well as luggage, secured in one area is a big plus." Many hotels offer special parking areas with additional security for guests with touring vehicles, and the less you need to handle the equipment while traveling, the less chance there is of incurring loss or damage to your instruments.

It was Ron Carter of Antelope Valley Bus, Inc. who mentioned another very important consideration when choosing to "bus it"scheduling. "Of course, there's flexibility of scheduling and routing when you choose to tour by bus. But we can also provide assistance with itineraries of routing, meal stops and lodging." This additional service is of particular value to bands who are independently planning their first tour, and who may not be familiar with what accommodations are available. Le Grand Tours and Lotus Charters also offer assistance in itinerary planning and hotel booking, and most tour bus companies can often secure group rates at tremendous discounts.

While there are plenty of transportation companies in Los Angeles, the companies listed above were the most receptive to handling the special needs of musicians on tour. These companies also offered the most competitive rates and the most sought-after amenities.

If you have less people to transport and you'd like more luxurious accommodations, you might consider renting a recreational vehicle for that concert tour. The daily rates are less and a driver is not included, but most have beds and washroom facilities which will save you and up to six other people the high cost of staying in hotels. One note of advice, though: Don't tell the rental company you are in a musical band when you make your inquiries. Not one of the R.V. rental companies researched for this article would consent to giving out information once they were told that it was targeted to musicians; the assumption here is they've bought into that age-old stereotype that musicians are likely to trash everything they touch.

Antelope Valley Bus, Inc.

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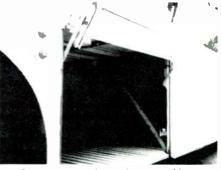
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plete itineraries

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Contact: Ron Carter Years in business: 35

All in all, there are a lot of options available to bands who are ready to get out on the road to bring their music to the masses. Traveling by bus may prove to be cheaper and more convenient than other options and should be investigated before solidifying your tour plans. Besides, there's a certain bonding that takes place on a long bus ride (remember summer camp?) which can make the process of getting to the shows as memorable as the performances themselves.



There's lotsa storage for equipment and luggage.





# MUSIC DIRECTORY OF ROCK RETAILERS

Anyone familiar with the rock music industry can tell you that merchandising plays an important role in both the financial and promotional success of any artist. Southern California is littered with various stores that offer you the chance to purchase anything you could probably imagine imprinted with the logo of your favorite band, or enough fashion accessories to make you look like you're in the group! Melrose Avenue and Hollywood Blvd. have one of the highest concentrations of rock merchandising outlets in the world, yet you could probably find a store to suit your tastes in your neck of the woods. While most of these stores stock many of the same T-shirts, posters, etc., no two stores are the same. We've compiled a list of some of the top stores in the Southern California area and omitted the usual retail record chain outlets.

#### **AUDITORY ODYSSEY**

6338 Laurel Canyon Blvd. North Hollywood, CA 91601 818-769-2141

#### Contact: Dave

Summary: Since 1968, AO has stocked a large variety of concert T-shirts, posters, jewelry, hats and belts. They also sell used CDs and videos.

#### BRITISH IMPORTS ROCKS

6303 Hollywood Blvd. Hollywood, CA 90028 213-466-2850 **Contact:** Hassan **Summary:** BIR stocks over 600 concert T-shirts in addition to a large supply of jewelry, posters, hats and belts. They also specialize in custom made

#### CAPTAIN ED'S

leather.

6704 Van Nuys Blvd. Van Nuys, CA 91405 818-989-3222 **Contact:** Gary

**Summary:** The world famous head shop carries rock T-shirts, posters, sunglasses and tie-dye shirts in the Sixties mode. Visiting their blacklight poster room is a must.

#### CAPTAIN ED'S

7011 Reseda Blvd. Reseda, CA 91602 818-996-1222 **Contact:** Gary **Summary:** See above

#### **COLOURS & SOUNDS**

14410 Ventura Blvd. Sherman Oaks, CA 91423 818-907-0111 Contact: David Silverman Summary: Colours & Sounds carries T-shirts, tie-dye

rock shirts, rare rock posters, blacklight posters, stickers and patches. In addition, you'll find records (yes, actual vinyl), sunglasses, incense and gift cards.

#### **COLOURS & SOUNDS**

6700 Van Nuys Blvd. Van Nuys, CA 91405 818-994-4066 **Contact:** David Silverman **Summary:** See above.

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#### DYNAMITE BOUTIQUE

6681 Hollywood Blvd. Hollywood, CA 90028 213-463-7766 **Contact:** Chris **Summary:** DB carries the standard fare of belts, hats, jewelry, stickers, posters, T-shirts in addition to a large supply of Lip Service clothing.

#### EASYRIDERS

7450 Melrose Ave. Hollywood, CA 90046 213-658-8817 Contact: Taylor James Ray Summary: EasyRiders carries T-shirts, belts, hats and footwear. They specialize in custom made jewelry and leather, and state that they're the only rock & roll shop in L.A. that retails Harley Davidson motorcycles.

#### **D HOT TOPICS**

1233 W. Avenue P Palmdale, CA 93550 805-266-0110 Contact: June Summary: Concert T-shirts, alternative rock clothing, hats, belts, jewelry, posters and sunglasses.

#### I THE JOINT VENTURE

8608 Juniper Ave. Montana, CA 91068 714-822-6331 **Contact:** Michael **Summary:** A large variety of rock T-shirts accompanies smoking paraphernalia, lingerie, jewelry and adult party novelties.

#### 🗆 L.A. ROXX

6912 Hollywood Blvd. Hollywood, CA 90028 213-464-6645 **Contact:** Pedro **Summary:** Heavy metal T-shirts, jewelry, Doc Martens, leather jackets and hand made purses.

#### RED BALLS ON FIRE

7708 Melrose Ave. Hollywood, CA 90046 213-655-3409 **Contact:** Mark **Summary:** One of the few stores in L.A. to carry Lip Service clothing and English imported rock fashions, customized leather, jewelry and bags.

#### C RETAIL SLUT

7264 Melrose Ave. Hollywood, CA 90046 213-934-1339 Contact: Jeff

Summary: Retail Slut carries a wide range of clothing covering musical fashion trends—everything from ska to punk to heavy metal. Their line of merchandising includes jewelry, stickers, posters, belts and hats.

#### **ROCKAWAY RECORDS**

2395 Glendale Blvd. Glendale, CA 90039 213-664-3232 **Contact:** April **Summary:** In addition to their well-known supply of hard to get and used CDs and records, they carry posters, T-shirts and stickers.

#### **D ROCK CENTER**

6660 Hollywood Blvd. Hollywood, CA 90028 213-464-6660 **Contact:** Hassan **Summary:** T-shirts, stickers, jewelry and customized leather.

#### SIN ALLEY

7454 Melrose Ave. Hollywood, CA 90046 213-852-9304 **Contact:** Andy **Summary:** Sin Alley deals exclusively in concert Tshirts, and contends to sell the rarest concert T-shirts in L.A.

#### 🗆 THRASH

381 North E Street. San Bernadino, CA 91510 714-381-3136 **Contact:** Steve **Summary:** Rock clothing, T-shirts, jewelry, belts, hats, posters and shoes.

#### 🗆 YONADA

7653 Melrose Ave. Hollywood, CA 90046 213-653-2561 **Contact:** David **Summary:** Heavy metal T-shirts, jewelry, hats, posters, shoes and rare smoking paraphernalia.



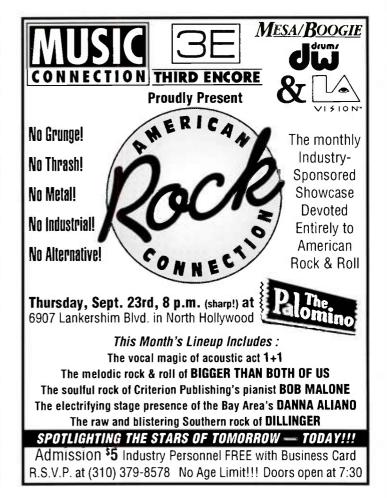
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settled. Atlantic agreed that the singles would only be released in America and not England. Ten singles were released, but their biggest song, "Stairway To Heaven," has never been available as a single (the group rejected the idea). The group refused to release a greatest hits album, did almost no television appearances and only made one promotional video. After their horrendous press reception, the group did almost no interviews. Two of their album covers were devoid of type (including the band's name or album title). Atlantic Records executive nicknamed Led Zeppelin's fourth release the "Suicide Album," even though it became their best-selling release. Eventually, the band would start their own label, Swan Song Records.

Grant helped redefine the way concert promotions worked and helped give Led Zeppelin the kind of monetary gains that no artist had ever seen. One critic panned in retrospect, "Led Zeppelin wasn't the best, just the best paid." Many suggested that Led Zeppelin's venture away from marketing was a contrived plan to make them more commercially appealing. Even the name of their publishing company took it in stride—Superhype Music.

Would the industry be conducive to such tactics today? "It was a whole different business back then," points out Victory Records President Phil Carson, who was a Product Manager for Atlantic Records in England at the time of Led Zeppelin's signing. Carson, who went on to become a Senior VP for Atlantic and then briefly managed Page and Plant, comments on the industry's state then and now and its relation to Led Zeppelin: "Radio was different-what we used to call 'underground' radio, they call FM radio, which was the forerunner of AOR radio today. People were ready to take chances. You could actually get a song like 'Dazed And Confused' on the air and let it run for fifteen minutes. That helped in a way. Also, the only way you could see Led Zeppelin was to go to a

### Zeppelin Facts #1

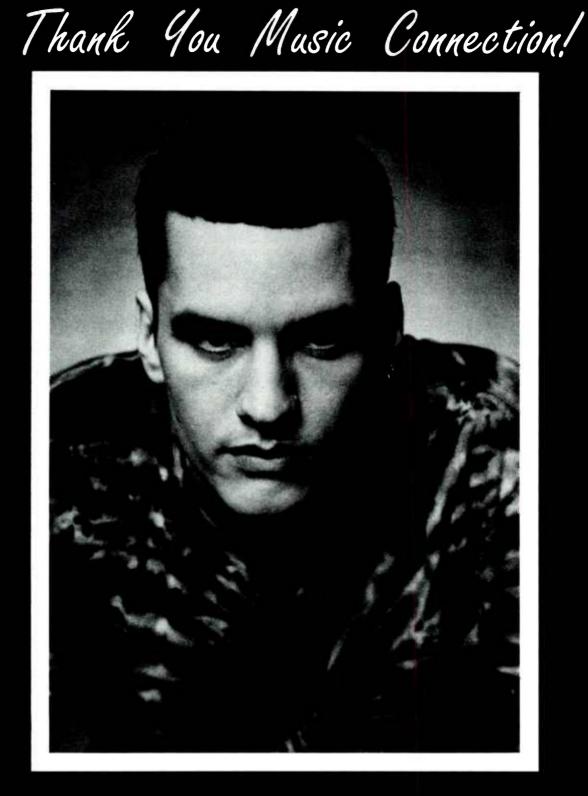
- Page said using a bow on a guitar was something he picked up when a studio musician (who was the father of actor David McCallum) suggested he try it.
- The woman on the cover of Led Zeppelin II is British actress Glynis Johns—an inside joke referring to Zep engineer Glyn Johns.
- \* Plant said the one Zep song he would have wanted to hear Elvis Presley sing was "The Lemon Song."
- Zeppelin's first album cost a little under \$3,000 to make. The group's advance was \$200,000.
- Houses Of The Holy—their nickname for concert halls—was the first Zeppelin album to have a name instead of a number and the first (and only) Zep album to have a Lyric sheet.
- The record sleeve to Zeppelin's final studio album, In Through The Out 'Door, changes color when exposed to water. Page said that when the album was released after the disappointment of Presence and a long wait which saw Led Zeppelin as passe in the eyes of the new punk generation, he felt like Led Zeppelin was trying to come back in through the out door.



concert, and that helped a mystique develop. I don't think it would have been the same today if MTV had gotten hold of them early on. The mystique was that you couldn't actually see them unless you went to their concerts; they weren't on MTV or all over the press."

Actually, the press was all over them. The press' relationship with Led Zeppelin made their label dealings look like a honeymoon. From the outset, Led Zeppelin was raked across the coals by music publications (many of which now fawn over the band). On their debut release, Rolling Stone complained, "It would seem that, if they're to help fill the void created by the demise of Cream, they will have to find a producer and material worthy of their collective attention." The L.A. Times dismissed the group's popularity, stating, "Their success may be attributable, at least in part, to the accelerating popularity among the teenage rock & roll audience of barbiturates and amphetamines, drugs that render their users most responsive to crushing volume and ferocious histrionics of the sort Zeppelin has heretofore dealt in exclusively." Not even "Stairway To Heaven" could escape the quill of the late archduke of rock critics, Lester Bangs, who called the song "a misbegotten thicket of mush," in the mordant style then associated with Creem.

So what was it about Led Zeppelin that made them so great? Carson cites the band's musical prowess as the key factor to their success. "All four of them were virtuoso musicians, in a nutshell. There was no better guitarist than Page, no better drummer than 'Bonzo.' Jones 36 >



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#### **By Sean Doles**

spirin makers can rest easy now that the resurrected Quiet Riot is urging a new generation of heavy metal lovers to bang their heads. The band's condition looked critical after a near-fatal breakup, but with the reunion of longtime members Kevin DuBrow, Carlos Cavazo and Frankie Banali and the release of their fifth LP, *Terrified*, their metal health is better than ever.

Though the big hair, spandex and leather that once defined Quiet Riot's image have fallen out of vogue, few can deny the impact of the band's 1983 U.S. debut, *Metal Health*, which sold 5.5 million copies and soared to Number One on the *Billboard* charts, thus proving the marketability of rock's bastardized brother, heavy metal.

Quiet Riot also led the new wave of heavy metal into the MTV age with their teen anthems "Cum On Feel The Noize" and "Metal Health," which paired the group's flamboyant stage presence with a clever video concept, bringing their hard-edged sound to a wider audience than ever before and paving the way for a new brand of rockers like Mötley Crüe and Poison.

Kenny Hillery

Ten years later, DuBrow and company can consider themselves among the wisest men in rock, having weathered a roller-coaster career that saw them thrust into mega-stardom on their first album, only to be relegated to has-beens by their follow-up efforts, the disappointing *Condition Critical* and *QRIII*.

DuBrow left the group in 1987, and the band brought in Paul Shortino for a final album before splitting up shortly thereafter. DuBrow spent much of the late Eighties trying to live down his reputation as an arrogant loudmouth, heading his own band, DuBrow, and eventually fronting the L.A. metal outfit Little Women, which matched him with current QR bassist Kenny Hillery.

When Little Women found itself in need of a guitarist in 1991, DuBrow called Cavazo and the two smoothed out their differences. By 1993, the reborn Quiet Riot was back in the studio to record a five-song EP for Moonstone Records. In need of a drummer, DuBrow contacted Banali, who, in the intervening years, had become a much-sought-after session player, and suddenly three-fourths of the band's most successful incarnation (minus bassist Rudy Sarzo) were together again.

"Every day I wake up I'm thankful to have another opportunity to make music with these guys," says DuBrow. "We've been through so much together in the past ten years that I don't think there's anything we can't handle."

Despite the changes in metal since their heyday, DuBrow says the new album follows closely in the footsteps of *Metal Health*. "This is the album that *Condition Critical* should've been," says the scratchy voiced lead singer from a tour stop in Chattanooga, Tennessee. "Our sound is still distinctively Quiet Riot, with heavy guitars and layered backing vocals, but the songs have changed a lot thematically, a little darker and a little more reflective of what we've been through.

"There's not so much of the 'party till you drop' attitude on this album," DuBrow says. "Although there's still a place for songs like 'Metal Health,' and I think there's a certain timeless quality to some of the lyrics, you don't go through what we've been through in the last ten years and not change. This time around, we wanted to write songs that were based more in reality and would stand up to the test of time."

With the current proliferation of Seattle acts, it may be hard to imagine a time when heavy metal was not popular. But that was exactly the case when Quiet Riot burst on the scene in the mid-Seventies with DuBrow and original guitarist Randy Rhoads (who left in 1980 to join Ozzy Osbourne). "We owed a lot to getting signed to bands like AC/DC and Def Leppard," DuBrow says. "So when Pasha Records finally offered us a deal, we were happy to take it. I mean, 10 percent of something is better than 100 percent of nothing."

Massive sales did not translate into massive wealth for the band, and poor business decisions left them with little to show for their once-massive popularity. "We had the mis-



fortune of having some of the worst managers in the business," DuBrow says. "There were so many people coming at us on all sides," trying to get a piece of us, and they were only in it for themselves. We finally realized that we're the only people who have the best interests of the band in mind. So that's why I'm managing the band now. Now the money goes back into Quiet Riot. I'm on the phone constantly trying to set up gigs, but I love it. This band is my life."

"There's no way we could have prepared for what happened to us," says drummer Banali, who returned to the group after a brief stint with Heavy Bones. "It was such a crazy time, and there's so much you take for granted. Ego starts to be a problem. But there's no room for ego in Quiet Riot today."

DuBrow, whose oit-reported inflammatory antics must rank high on the band's list of "don'ts", says that maturity has made him more patient and diplomatic. "I won't deny I used to have a bad temper," he says, "but I've worked a long time to get it under control. In any business, it's important not to burn your bridges no matter how much somebody pisses you off. We've been working to rebuild some of those bridges and, yeah, some will never be rebuilt, but you start to realize some of these people are the same assholes coming down as they are going up, and you can't worry about them.

"As soon as you get to Number One, people start aiming for you, and it's guaranteed that you'll fall eventually," he says. "A lot of the stories about me were made up because it's good theater and sells magazines, but they simply were not true. As I like to say, my reputation had a life of its own—it went to parties without me."

True to his words, DuBrow handled production chores on *Terrified* with Ricky DeLena. "Ordinarily I would hesitate to have someone in the band producing an album," observes Banali, "but Kevin has such an instinct for our sound that it worked perfectly. I mean, he eats and sleeps Quiet Riot, and there's no better person I can think of who I'd

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want on the boards. For instance, I've worked on about 40 albums in the last few years, and this is the best drum sound I've had probably since *Metal Health.*"

The first release off *Terrified* is an acoustic version of the Small Faces' 1968 hit, "Itchycoo Park," which DuBrow says is a tribute to his all-time hero Steve Marriott. Though it's a departure from the band's harder material, DuBrow says the song has clicked with every-one who's heard it and will hopefully win

new fans as the band spends much of the remainder of 1993 on the road.

"Life on the road is the greatest," says DuBrow, demonstrating the sense of humor he says kept him from becoming bitter over the years. "Every hotel is like the Taj Mahal, the women flock to you in droves and the club owner brings the money to you in suitcases after every show. There's a mystique about life on the road, but there is a lot of monotony. We try to lead a relatively normal life on the road. We don't party every night, now that we realize there are other ways to have fun. And I definitely see a lot more of the road now that I don't sleep all day.

"The crowds have been great everywhere," he says. "Seeing the audience getting into it, that's what it's all about. It's especially gratifying when you see older people and kids who were practically in diapers ten years ago and they're both singing along."

Quiet Riot has grown up enough to realize that as long as they're making music, they're successful. "I just try to learn from the past, live in the present and look toward the future," DuBrow says. "It will take time to reestablish ourselves, but it just goes to show how relative the term "alternative" is. Music fads are cyclical, and all you can do is stick to what you do best and bide your time until the people come around. And it's a lot easier to stick to your guns when no one's paying attention and you don't have a dozen people outside the band telling you what to do."

Quiet Riot can be reached through Moonstone Records: 213-341-5959.



# PETER CRISS

#### **By Chuck Crisafulli**

The claws are out, the whiskers are twitching and the Cat is ready to rock again. So far, the Nineties have not been kind to ex-Kiss drummer Peter Criss, but with a new band, a new label deal and a newfound urge to hit the road, the rock & roll cat is hoping to land on his feet. After suffering through a divorce, the death of friends and family members and an ugly tabloid scandal featuring a Peter Criss impostor, the real Criss decided that the only way to work out his troubles was by making some fresh music.

Relaxing in a comfortable L.A. apartment (whose walls still glow with Kiss gold records), Criss is open and honest about his travails. "My mom died in 1990, and she was my biggest fan. The tabloids had come out just before that, and that was a whole lot of shit to deal with. Then my favorite uncle died. Then I lost my best friend—Jerry Nolan of the New York Dolls, who I go back to kindergarten with. The next thing I know, an attorney is marrying my wife and I'm being thrown out of the house. I landed in L.A. and said, 'What just happened?' I knew that the only thing that could pull me back together was music. I dove into it."

Writing furiously, Criss began to assemble a band. Bassist Mark Montague became a solid ally and songwriting partner, and when Criss felt the rest of his group had the right chemistry, he decided to take the act on the road. "Being on the road again was like going back to boot camp," he laughs. "I was scared. Very nervous. But we'd pull into each town and the kids would be there screaming with signs and posters. It was a rush. The audience made us crazy and we returned the favor."

Ironically, Criss found himself arriving in many towns a week before or after a scheduled Kiss date. But if the drummer felt any sense of competition, it was erased by the warm reception extended by his fans. "Kiss always had the greatest fans in the world, and they totally supported me on the road and through my hard times. I believe you have to give something back to your fans, and here was a Kiss fan's fantasy---Gene and Paul one



week, me the next."

The work on the road crystallized the drummer's urge to get back into rock & roll, and soon after the tour ended, he was in the studio working with producer Dito Godwin on a record project. Having scored a deal with Tony Nicole Tony records, Criss is currently getting ready to release a CD-5 that will be available primarily through ads in Kiss fanzines. "It's my way of giving fans some payback. When people love you and buy your records, I think you're obligated to give back to them. We've got 3,000 signed and numbered CDs, and the fans will get them first." Godwin and Montague were important guiding hands during the recording sessions, but Criss also felt it was time for him to work as a producer on his material. "I don't think anyone could get closer to the sound I wanted than I did, because I wrote and sang about a lot of personal shit. I had a handle on my sound. And hell, I've certainly been in enough studios and made enough records to know what I'm doing by this point."

Fans will certainly be struck by Criss' reworking of his Kiss era proto-power ballad, "Beth," as well as by a cover photo that features him in exactly half of his famous cat makeup. "It was a spooky session," he says. "That was the first time I had the makeup on in thirteen years. At one point I just wanted to go ahead and put it all back on. It was hard to stop halfway. The Cat came back like it was yesterday."

But Criss makes it clear that he's not interested in living in the past. "I am a different guy now. It's a whole new ballpark. I'm older now—I hate that word but it's true. Then again, you never get old in rock & roll. The guys in my band are at least ten years younger than me, and I still manage to give them a real workout when I play."

Criss says it was also difficult to go back and take another shot at an FM staple like "Beth." "It was really weird singing it again. I was shaking after some of the vocal sessions. But we put some classical guitars in place of the original string part, and when I hear it back now, it's magic. John Lennon was my idol, and I like to think that in some small way 'Beth' is like some of his great tunes—it doesn't get old and it can still make people feel good."

Another tune sure to please Kiss fans is "The Cat Has Nine Lives," an autobiographical rock & roll stomp that includes some rather humorous "nursery rhymes" about Criss' former cohorts, Gene Simmons and Paul Stanley. "People in the booth were turning colors when I sang that. They said, 'I don't know if we should do this.' Of course we should. I'm not ranking on Gene and Paul, and I know they have a sense of humor. Look, I've heard nasty stuff they supposedly said about me through the grapevine, and I hear nasty stuff about them. But those guys worked incredibly hard to make Kiss work. I sat back there behind the drums and watched our band conquer the world."

Criss admits that his departure from the band in 1980 was not free from hard feelings, but he says that as time passed, his memories of the band have become fonder. "You can't hold a grudge forever. You've got to grow up. I got to a point where the band won't going anywhere for me. The solo album and "Beth" made me realize that I could do other things. I wanted to move on. If I didn't, I think I would

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have died. We were four crazy guys in the biggest band in the world."

While the excessive lifestyle once had its appeal, today Criss is concerned with living cleaner and putting any wild energy into the music. "I can still party with the best of them. But it gets tiresome. I've got a more mature attitude. I know that it's the music that gets me off. I don't have to do a pound of coke and a bag of heroin and drink a gallon of champagne to get into a performance."

Once Criss circulates the CD-5, he intends to incorporate the tunes into a full-length release. When that happens, Kiss fans will get to hear from another familiar face, as guitarist Ace Frehley has been lined up to contribute to a couple of tracks. "Ace and I still have great chemistry together. He's from the Bronx and I grew up in Brooklyn, and it's still a lot of fun to hang out with him. We may even put our hands in the Rock Walk of Fame while he's out here for the recording. Ace was really hurt about not being asked when Gene and Paul did it, and it bothered me, too. Look, Eric Carr was a really sweet guy, and Bruce Kulick is a good guy, and I'm sure the new drummer is cool, too, but the original four of us were innovators. We changed the face of rock&roll. We had the biggest show on earth. If it wasn't for me and Ace, Gene and Paul wouldn't be where they are, and vice versa. Oh, well, I thanked them all on the CD-5, anyway."

Criss is pumped up about the quality of his new work, but also says that he would never be the main obstacle to a Kiss original lineup reunion. "Sure, I'd do a reunion if we just buried all the crap and did it for fun. If the four of us got into a room without lawyers and managers and had a good time—why not? It would be a great treat for our fans. But I don't spend a lot of time thinking about it. Right now I'm worrying about my own band."

One holdover from the Kiss days will be the same level of dedication to the current project. "When Kiss got together, nothing we ever did was half-assed. That's the way I feel now. I've got the rock & roll bug and I can't stop working." But fans shouldn't expect any of

### *"It's the music that gets me off. I don't have to do a pound of coke and a bag of heroin to get into a performance."* —Peter Criss

the theatricality that made Kiss famous in their makeup days. "The new band's message is the music. Our gimmick is that we have no gimmick. We don't dress up or dress down. This grunge look thing is a joke to me. When I grew up, the grunge look was called handme-downs." And, while each performance of the Criss band is sure to include a couple of Kiss tunes like "Hard Luck Woman" or the Criss-penned "Baby Driver," for the most part audiences will be treated to new material.

In the liner notes of the Criss CD-5, the drummer does indeed thank Gene, Paul and Ace, along with his favorite crab shack, the guy who sold him oranges outside the studio and God. In person, he's also got a few words of thanks for a local mag. "If it wasn't for Music Connection, I wouldn't have gotten my label deal. I read the article on Tony Nicole Tony Records, and I knew they were the right place to be. I called them up, and it worked out beautifully. Going with a new label is a great feeling. It's working with a maverick, just like with Kiss and Casablanca. To a big label, maybe you get lost in the shuffle and become a tax write-off. A new label will work hard for you. I've worked too hard myself this time to get lost in the shuffle."

So, with a CD-5 for diehard fans, a fulllength album soon to be in record stores, a "Beth" video in the planning stages, and his band itching to get back on the road, it looks like the cat does indeed have some life in him yet. "Hey, I know I'm not dead, and I don't think I'm washed up," he says with a laugh.

It looks like his timing may be perfect, because as the "half-cat" cover photo begins to make the rounds, a Kiss clip of Criss in full cat makeup has been turning up on MTV. "My daughter called me up and said, 'Daddy you really are famous.' I thought she'd heard 'Beth' on the radio. She said, 'No! I just saw you on *Beavis And Butthead*!"

Peter Criss can be reached through Tony Nicole Tony Records: 805-254-5315. To order Criss' CD-5, call 1-800-922-3827.





# \* 30 ED-ZEPPEUN

is an unbelievably qualified musician, with a great feel for blues, and Robert Plant is the greatest voice of his time. Led Zeppelin invented a style of rock music that they played better than anyone else. Tony Franklin, who played bass alongside Jimmy Page in the Firm, recalls, "Page is a real craftsman and very daring." It's hard to find a rock musician over 30 who doesn't list one of Led Zeppelin's members as a musical influence.

Timing also played a key factor, and Led Zeppelin's original mesh of American blues into hard rock was relatively fresh, except for Cream, who broke up before Led Zeppelin's inception, yet still haunted them as a comparison. The band's memorable live performances were also a key factor. Led Zeppelin's ability to come across "big" was unrivaled, and the group's decibel level was notoriously high. Zeppelin concerts, often played in arenas housing 50,000 people, lasted up to four hours. The group was very experimental live, and frequently improvised on songs, carrying them on for three times their original length. At one concert, the group's version of "Dazed And Confused" stretched for 45 minutes. At another, the band performed "Dancing Days" twice. Viewers and listeners of the band's many bootlegged live chronicles, as well as their concert movie The Song Remains The Same, frequently comment on the band's drawn-out and often "inaccurate" presentation with disdain. Others recall

Led Zeppelin as the ultimate concert experience and give credence to the band for their daring and unrestrained live approach. Many of the band's attendance records still stand.

So, will there ever be another Led Zeppelin? Probably not. Times have changed, and the novelty that accompanied Led Zeppelin's monster status can't be duplicated. The group pioneered many things that are taken for granted today. Carson reiterates that the way the music industry was set up during Led Zeppelin's heyday was a prime factor in their career course.

As for a Led Zeppelin reunion, there are many rumors, but little else. Page, at 49, is planning to tour in support of his collaboration with David Coverdale. Plant, 45, recently released his eighth solo album, *Fate Of Nations*, and is



- ★ The "Stu" in "Boogie With Stu" is Rolling Stone piano man lan Stewart,who played on "Rock And Roll" as well.
- ★ Plant wrote the Lyries to "The Battle Of Evermore," in which Plant duetted with late Fairport Convention vocalist Sandy Denny, after reading a book on Scottish wars.
- Misty Mountain Hop," from Led Zeppelin IV, was inspired by a London love-in that was raided by the police. The title is from a Tolkien Middle Earth locale.

Page says he wrote "The Rain Song," from Houses Of The Holy, after Bonham met George Harrison, who lamented the lack of ballads in Zep material.

\* Oyer Mak'er," Zeppelin's 1974 Top Twenty hit, is Jamaican slang for "did you make her?"

> starting his U.S. tour. Jones, 47, recently produced the new Butthole Surfers album. Bonham would have been 45 on May 31st. In celebration of the band's 25th

anniversary, Atlantic will be issuing two new box sets. Boxed Set 2, a two-CD mini-box retrospective, features 31 tracks from the band's studio albums that were not released on Atlantic's original four-CD box set released in 1990. It will feature the previously unreleased track. "Baby, Come On Home." originally recorded for the first album. The collection also contains a full-color 54page booklet sporting rare photos of the band. Slated to be in stores on September 28th. Led Zeppelin-The Complete Studio Recordings is a ten-CD box set that contains all of the band's studio material. Both of the box sets have been digitally re-mastered by Jimmy Page and George Marino. The latter comes in a cube-shaped box and includes six hard cover, full-color booklets sporting complete credits, rare photos and original color LP artwork.

Not bad for a band that called it quits thirteen years ago!





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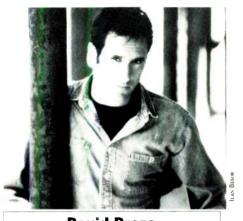
#### **Boy On A Dolphin**

Label: Modern/Atlantic Manager/contact: Sam Feldman Address: 1505 West 2nd Ave., Suite 200, Vancouver, BC, Canada V6H3Y4 Phone: 604-732-0922 Booking: Sam Feldman Legal Rep: N/A Band members: Darren Ford, John Reilly, Andy Needham, Pete Hiley. Type of music: Pop-influenced world music Date signed: Sept., 1992 A&R Rep: Paul Fishkin

Ithough they hail from the Northern English mining town of Sheffield, Boy On A Dolphin scored their record deal in America. How come, you may ask? Singer/guitarist/band frontman and founder John Reilly explains: "We had recorded a demo tape and somehow a copy made its way into the hands of the guy who's now our manager-Sam Feldman. Sam lives in Vancouver, but we were in England. However, when he got our tape, he rang me up and said he couldn't stop playing it over and over again. He told me he thought the songs were great, and the next thing we knew he paid for the band to fly over to Canada. It was pretty amazing really. We all flew over here and after we met Sam he began managing us. We knew he could help us, and sure enough-next thing he had scored us a deal.

Having made a couple of trips to Canada to discuss what their next move should be, Boy On A Dolphin signed with the Modern/Atlantic label and recorded their debut album, *Words Within* soon after. Why did they decide to go with this particular label? "We wanted the clout and backing of a major label," continues Reilly in his heavy English accent, "but we also wanted to go with a smaller label so we wouldn't get lost in the midst of a huge roster, like most majors have these days. With Modern/Atlantic we literally get the best of both worlds—Atlantic is one of the biggest labels in the world, while Modern is small and only has a few acts on its roster. That way, we figure we get the financial backing, distribution and expertise of Atlantic, plus the individual attention and personal touch of an independent with Modern."

Since signing their deal and releasing their album, the band has spent most of the time touring in the States and Canada, as at the moment, these are the only countries in which the record is commercially available. According to John Reilly, the band really wanted to come here for another reason: to get to know their record company staff! "Before we came over here for this tour a lot of the record company people didn't know much about us, "he comments. "We wanted to come over here and play several shows in each area so that they could all come and see us and meet with us in person, just to get them really behind us, and it seems to be working so far." He pauses, smiles, then adds, "After all, we got signed here to an American label, and because of that, we're treated as an American signing, not a British one, so we might as well get to know the label as well as we would if we came from here and were here all the time!" -Nick Douglas



David Broza

Manager/contact: Peter Seligman Address: 60 Madison Ave., Penthouse, New York, NY 10010 Phone: 212-685-4300 Booking: Fleming/Tamulevich Legal Rep: Paul Marshall at Marshall/Morris

Type of music: Folk/rock Date signed: March, 1993

A&R Rep: Jamie Biddle

avid Broza wanted a record company that believed in him and the songs that would eventually fill his November Records debut, *Time Of Trains.* 

His first American recording contract was signed with EMI at the end of 1989. Before this deal went down, the artist, born in Israel, raised in Spain and educated in England, already had five solo albums and several others—about a dozen pieces of product in all—recorded in Israel for CBS in the years before Sony bought the company.

Even Broza's background in and knowledge of the international industry couldn't keep his wouldbe American debut from being still-born. Support from the company, according to Broza, simply wasn't forthcoming despite the best efforts of the William Morris Agency and Bill Graham Management, both of which were involved with the project.

It was an amicable parting. Broza walked away from EMI with all of his tracks and a half-million dollars worth of tape. "They call it a loss, I call it a win," he says. With time on his hands, Broza returned to his primary objective and nine-year obsession: the rehabilitation of his American career.

Sometime prior to March of 1993, Jamie Biddle came into the artist's life. Biddle had always said he was going to set up a record company so Broza and his associates had always kept an open space for him as they looked for a potential home. Broza likes him. "He comes through as genuine as he was before, and now he can really make it happen," the talkative artist says.

What Broza particularly likes about Biddle and November Records is the support his product receives. The first signing to the fledgling label, Broza likes having the staff's full attention. He likes that he can call up the president of his record company at odd hours to talk about reviews or features that concern him. He likes that November Records is a tight, focused unit.

The artist understands that even with the most reverential of record labels, success still rides on his shoulders. "Having done everything this industry wants you to do," Broza says, "I'll never forget that 80 percent of the time, I'm going to have to spend promoting what I'm doing in one way or another. We'll make it happen."

---Tom Kidd



#### **Cry Of Love**

Label: Columbia Manager/Contact: Mike Renault or Bud Prager, ESP Management

Address: 8481 W. 3rd St., Suite 1001, Los Angeles, CA 90048

Phone: 213-653-2324

Legal Rep: Pryor, Cashman, Sherman & Flynn; Joseph L. Grier

Booking: ICM, Phil Ernst Band members: Kelly Holland, Audley Freed, Robert Heams, Jason Patterson.

Style of music: Rock Date signed: July, 1992

A&R Rep: Josh Sarubin

he Chapel Hill area of North Carolina, where Cry Of Love hails, has a robust musical

scene. Unfortunately for them, that scene is geared toward alternative bands. "We completely sidestepped that," says Audley Freed. "We're not a Southern jangle pop band. This alternative mentality is such an elitist thing. They see a guy who's got Marshall amps and long hair and plays lead guitar and automatically you're playing dinosaur redneck music. We just wrote tunes and played whenever we could. We're not metal enough to go over in the metal clubs. And we wouldn't even bother to play the alternative clubs."

What they did do is send demo tapes out to everyone they could. For obvious reasons, it's called "shotgunning," and the results are usually disappointing, as many A&R reps don't accept unsolicited tapes. Freed says all of the tapes they sent out netted a bunch of rejection letters and little else, and then their deal almost fell into their laps.

"I've got to feel real good about that, because it was almost like it was meant to be. I never sent a tape to CBS; never talked to anyone at CBS. A friend of mine was at a release party in New York for a band whose name escapes me now, but he had a copy of our tape and knew this A&R guy there and said to him, 'Maybe you oughta come down to the car and check these guys out.' Since then, our A&R guy has told me that after the first eight seconds of the tape he knew he wanted to sign us. Anyway, I talked to him the following week, and he was real adamant about us setting up a show, so we managed to sleeze our way onto the bill with a couple of bands who are friends of ours. We played on a Wednesday, he called us Monday and that was that.'

Cry Óf Love's first rehearsal was November 1, 1991, and they began recording their album exactly one year later. In keeping with the tradition of their musical influences, and relying more on feel than technology, most of the album was recorded live.

"That's just the way we are, and I think that it really captures the essence of what the band's all about," says Freed. "You've got to be able to play. It would be ridiculous for us to do anything else."

Call them dinosaur redneck rockers, and Freed and his bandmates will just shrug it off and laugh. Happy dinosaurs with a record deal, making the kind of music they love. Can't complain about that. —Richard Rosenthal





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Rachel Pollack Contact: Kym Reeves 310-288-5793 Seeking: Label deal Type of music: A/C



Vibration Union Contact: Vibration Union 310-455-7588 Seeking: Label deal Type of music: Alternative rock



Bracket Contact: Bracket 707-823-0241 Seeking: Label deal Type of music: Pop-Punk

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❑ Hints: Though Ms. Pollack scored highest in the production and musicianship area, it was obvious that she needed work in songwriting. The tunes didn't really capture your attention and seemed quite bland. There wasn't even a single uptempo tune on the tape. Also, we'd like to hear you stretch out vocally—let loose every now and then. A little power would have gone a long way.

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→ Hints: Here's a band that scored super high grades for the way they packaged their submission, but in the all important songwriting area, they were not as successful. Though the band did take chances musically by stretching out their arrangements and coming up with a unique rhythm or two, the songs still lacked substance—and that's the most importantingredient needed to get signed.

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❑ Hints: Bracket put together a nice, color-coordinated, four-song cassette with two songs on each side. This makes it inconvenient for the A&R people who are used to hearing it all on a single side. With simple but effective lyrics, the band was able to get its sound across primarily by virtue of their solid musicianship which was very tight and aggressive.



Toxic Daisies Contact: P-N Music 818-786-7626 Seeking: Label deal Type of music: Grunge



□ Hints: This is a tight little grunge band that displays fine musicianship and strong melodies. Their aggressive attack keeps the tunes moving but the band scored only average grades in the songwriting and production categories. Pay special attention to "Moon Ballad," which appears to be a standout track. This bands has the chops but needs stronger songs.

❑ Package:
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❑ Songwriting:
❑ Musicianship:⑦
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□ Hints: Although Spike 1000 sent in a package chock full of pertinent info, they neglected to enclose an adequate band photo, as you can see. Musically, the band sounds like a rock act fronted by a Nineties version of Grace Slick circa "White Rabbit." Though the musicianship and production are fine, the songs leave something to be desired. The band has a video available.

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❑ Hints: Though the female backing vocals were very powerful and great to hear, little else was professional about this package. The lead vocals, for example, were mixed too low and were drowned out by the backing vocals. Additionally, the songs themselves were a bit lackluster—they just didn't go anywhere. You might want to rethink sending this package out to the A&R Reps.

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J Hints: With very low scores in the three major categories—production, musicianship and songwriting—it's apparent that this band should start all over again with a fresh batch of material. Might we also suggest that you don't refer to an unknown writer as a "songwriting genius." Though the band is getting some local airplay, they desperately need to improve in the writing department.



Spike 1000 Contact: Noah Glass 805-872-2364 Seeking: Label deal Type of music: AOR



Suburban Parade Contact: William Blackwell 310-447-6181 Seeking: Label deal Type of music: Pop / rock

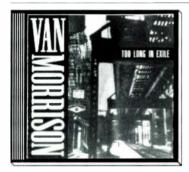


The Chords Contact: Wendy McKenna 805-438-4347 Seeking: Label deal Type of music: Rock

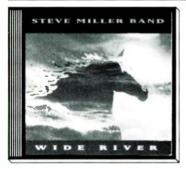




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#### D Producer: Various

Top Cuts: "As If We Never Said Goodbye," "Children Will Listen." over this collection must be personal attacks on the Funny Girl herself. Artistically, she, producer David Foster and arranger Johnny Mandel are at an all-time high, with lush treatments of stage musical gems old ("Some Enchanted Evening") and new (the stunning ballads from Andrew Lloyd Webber's Sunset Boulevard). Babs does get overpowering attimes (who else could overshadow on duets with Michael Crawford and Johnny Mathis), but subtlety has never been her strong point. For sheer vocal drama, she's still Num--Jonathan Widran ber One.

❑ Producer: Van Morrison ❑ Top Cuts: "Too Long In Exile," "Gloria," "Before The World Was Made."

Summary: Van Morrison's latest in a string of outstanding albums is a return to a more bluesy sound than his more recent releases, with his trademark ethereal vocals not just intact, but flourishing. And although the emphasis this time out is on the blues, we're still treated to Morrison's unique blend of jazz and moody rock. A highlight of the album is John Lee Hooker's sensual collaboration on a remake of Van's own "Gloria," which is G.L.O.R.I.-O.U.S. Hopefully this release will garner some appreciation that has mysteriously eluded his work lately. -Michael Kramer

 Producer: Steve Miller
 Top Cuts: "Blue Eyes," "Stranger Blues," "Cry Cry Cry."
 Summary: One of pop/rock's el-

der statesmen, Miller seems content to coast on his fluffy Seventies hit sound most of the way here, offering nothing new lyrically or musically. He seems to be sleepwalking or flying on automatic pilot for the first six cuts or so. Only later, when he revs up for some fun blues/rock, does he begin to loosen up, wax playful and create something we haven't heard before. But it's likely that you'll be lulled into retro catatonia before the action starts. Miller can still rock, but his imagination runs in fits and starts. Which is too bad. —Wanda Edenetti

□ **Producer:** Jim Bailey & the Monas □ **Top Cuts:** "Seeing And Understanding."

□ Summary: The Monas paint with words the colors of the alphabet. Such well-written wordage is lost in songs lacking melodies and hooks. The closest the Monas come to acceptable songwriting on this 4-song EP is "Seeing And Understanding," a psychedelic folk track. Hooks don't drive the lyrics home so tempo should. The three Sex Pistols/ Transvision Vamp hybrids sung by guitarist Alison Pipitone are all too slow to pogo but too fast to relax. The Monas should have made it an imperative that their audience hear what they say. They did not. —Tom Kidd



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Pete Townshend *Psychoderelict* Atlantic ① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦ ✿ ⑨ ⑪



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Trae Trae TCT ① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦ ⑧ ✿ ❹  Producer: Denny Diante and Dennis Walker
 Top Cuts: All

□ Summary: This batch of all new duets is less a studio CD than it is a great, jubilantbluesparty. B.B. King's guest list includes at least a couple generations of blues greats: Robert Cray, Etta James, Buddy Guy. Best tracks play with a cool fire and water stylistic mix. Examples abound but the contribution by laid-back John Lee Hooker is the chief representative. Whether working in Memphis or Berkeley, no matter which producer was on the boards, there isn't a single bad cut. This is classic blues, cathartic blues, blues about feeling good about feeling bad. Prime. —Tom Kidd

 Producer: Pete Townshend
 Top Cuts: "English Boy," "I Want That Thing," "Now And Then."
 Summary: Townshend once

□ Summary: Townshend once again puts himself in the forefront of rock innovation by expanding on the concept-album formathe helped pioneer. Unlike his previous attempts at story telling through music, this time out he has actors reciting lines between and during the songs. Unfortunately, the album does suffer at times from the concept getting in the way of the music, particularly when a song is interrupted by spoken dialogue. However, the songs rank amongst Townshend's best solo work, and his voice is sublime. This is a superb, original album.

—Michael Kramer

D Producer: Cyndi Lauper and Junior Vasquez

□ Top Cuts: "Who Let In The Rain," "Sally's Pigeons," "Like I Used To." □ Summary: Since her Unusual heyday, her daffiness' output has been a series of great highs and deep lows, and this time, she pulls a similar mixed bag out of her hat. Fortunately, she hits the mark more often than not, with the few "Time After Time"-like ballads making the best impact. She's still prone to cutesy vocal tricks, but when she plays it straight, she's still a powerhouse. Her hooks and lyrics are interesting, and her delving into a mix of Irish folk and hip-hop unique and worth a spin or two. "She's So Eclectic," anyone? —Jonathan Widran

#### C Producer: Trae

Death," "Why You Trickin On Me." Summary: Trae uses every production trick in the book to lure listeners to his hip-hop pop. When they arrive in his world, fans find a cool combination of Prince and Bobby Brown. When the CD is over, listeners will inevitably find some of Trae's fine melodies stuck in their minds. "Why You Trickin' On Me" gets closer to "Erotic City" territory than the Purple One himself has come in quite a while. At the other end of the spectrum, "There's No Future In Death" is a sassy Bobby Brownstyle stomp. If only the vocals were higher in the mix, this record could set a new pop standard. -Tom Kidd



#### NIGHTLIFE

ROCK



**Babbie Green and Kirsten Benton** 

Seven Thunders/Miracle recording act Keith Chagall will celebrate his maiden voyage onto CD, Angels On The Faultline, with a special concert Sept. 14th at Night Winds, which used to be At My Place, 1026 Wilshire Blvd. in Santa Monica, (310-917-9111). Chagall is best-known for his song, "Talked About Lover," from the movie Blind Date. You can reach Chagall at 310-313-8603.

Things are really looking up for pretty chanteuse Kirsten Benton, seen in our photo flashing her pearly whites before a recent performance at the famed Cinegrill nightclub. Representatives from ASCAP were so impressed with the local siren that they helped her land a gig at New York City's popular Club 88. On hand to wish her best to Benton was singer-songwriter Babbie Green, who previously invited Benton to sing on her album In Nobody's Shadow. You can reach Benton through Lockett-Palmer Recordings at 213-465-2541.

Eleven, featuring former members of What Is This?, Walk The Moon and Red Hot Chili Peppers has found a new home at Hollywood Records (818-560-5670). Their new, self-titled album will be out on September 28th.

Recommended: L.A. punk progenitors X and Best Kissers In The World will be at the Whisky September 14th, and the Palace September 17th; velvet-throated songstress Juliana Hatfield will bring her addicting mantra and fat, inky Rorschach blots of emotion to town, (hey, that's what Goldenvoice's press release said, honest) singing that way-cool song that goes, "I hate my sister, she's such a bitch." That alone should be worth the price of admission to see her September 9th at the Roxy. Critics are raving about Bad Religion. See if you can figure out why when they hit the Palladium for a two-night stint on September 11th and 12th. South Africaners Tribe After Tribe bring their Pink Floyd-cum-Burundi drum tones to the Troubadour on the 22nd.

Rocket 88 is rekindling their local buzz via their cool rockabilly sound and look. The band recently played to a packed house at the English Acid opening for the Reverend Horton Heat. You can contact Rocket 88 at 213-962-8252.

This Sixties/Seventies retro thing is getting waaaay outta line; I actually received an eight-track cassette from local rockers **Dark Horse**, who play music in the tradition of Creedence Clearwater Revival, Steppenwolf and the Guess Who. Okay, Dark Horse sent me a regular cassette as well. You can commune with the band at 213-663-0498.

Gervasi will be performing at the Palace on Sunday, September 12th, for a Rebuild L.A. Showcase Fundraiser. —Tom Farrell





**Ron Crowder** 

It was a country songwriting extravaganza at the Grafitti Coffeehouse (1002 Pico Bl., S.M. CA 90405/310-314-6244) as hostess Merrily Weeber (213-938-9875) invited a plethora of talented acoustic artists to perform. On the bill this particular eve were Joey Scarbury accompanied by Marty Rifkin (310-399-3032) playing some great country pop material. Everybody thinks of Joey and "The Great American Hero Theme" while Scarbury can really sing country like nobody's business. Hit songwriter Ed Berghoff with Mike Fried on dobro were very impressive. Producer/songwriter Ed Tree (213-256-2771) and the swivel hipped Steve Kolander shared Dave Hall (310- 370-5207) on bass as both artists delivered well-crafted songs. Highlights also included Bradley Ditto, playing songs from his new CD Daydream and Mark Islam singing songs for the heart.

Suzanne Sherwin of country duo the Darlin's (818-761-5402) will be a judge of the Emerging Songwriters Showcase at the Napa Valley Folk Festival on Oct. 9th. For more info: Napa Valley Folk Festival, P.O. Box 10227, Napa, CA 94581.

Ed Black (602-943-6289) stopped into Ronnie Mack's Barndance at the Palomino to say howdy to old friends on his recent visit. Ed is currently playing pedal steel and guitar on the Red River Opry (1-800-466-OPRY), a popular country music revue and show in Tempe, AZ. Ed's impressive credentials include work with Linda Ronstadt, Dwight Yoakam and Tracy Chapman. Ed is also one of America's premier leather craftsman.

Wylie and the Wild West Show (Mitch Cohen Mgt., 310-394-3111) travel to Nashville to promote their new single and video, "Black Boots & Blue Jeans." The video has already begun airing so Wylie and the gang encourage you to write and request it. The addresses for both CMT and TNN are 2806 Opryland Dr., Nashville, TN 37214.

Want to write country songs? Well, former Angeleno and Zomba Music staff writer Jason Blume is coming in from Nashville to conduct an intensive one-day seminar entitled "Country Songwriting: Writing From The Heart." Interested parties should call Jason at 615-292-1880 or write: Moondream Music, 4201 Colorado Ave., Nashville, TN 37209.

Mr. Harp Country Ron Crowder was a featured artist on Ray Doyle's Country Writer Spotlight. He was very impressive with his trad/country songs and always strong harmonica licks.

Country singer-songwriter Joanne Montana is working on an album of material geared for a mature country audience. Montana believes, "There is a large group of female country music listeners who can relate very strongly to a more mature point of view." The project is being recorded at Sunburst Studios (310-204-2222) with Bob Wayne at the board and Ed Tree, producing.

Two CD recommendations: Pierce Pettis (Ray Ware Mgt., 615-790-7820) on High Street Records produced by David Miner and also Anthony Crawford on Little Dog Records (1-800-788-8931) produced by Pete Anderson and Dusty Wakeman. —Billy Block



Rocket 88



The Grafitti Gang

#### JAZZ



#### **Danilo Perez**

Pianist Danilo Perez and his guartet performed brilliantly at Le Cafe recently. Their frequently intuitive music would settle into a groove, become increasingly complex and then shift tempos, keys or chord changes spontaneously. Tenorsaxophonist Donny McCaslin showed a great deal of maturity in his solos and, even when the musicians played in four separate rhythms at once, he avoided getting lost! No wonder the virtuosic Perez was smiling, even when breaking into an eccentric stride, jamming on a waltz version of "Round Midnight" or swinging hard like the late Wynton Kelly. Perez's memorable music consistently had the adventure, danger and unpredictability of the best jazz, leading listeners to constantly ask with anticipation, "Now what?"

Want to hear jazz on a Tuesday night but a bit low on cash? J.P.'s Lounge in Burbank is the place to go. One can listen to tenor-saxophonist Benn Clatworthy's new quintet (which features trumpeter Tony Lujan and the powerful pianist Otmaro Ruiz) without paying a cover charge. Benn's best group so far has plenty of soft-toned but passionate and inventive interplay by the two horns along with strong work from the rhythm section. Well worth checking out!

Rumor has it that a jazz critics jazz band is starting up. If you have written at all about jazz (or even other genres) and play an instrument (enthusiasm is more important than virtuosity), call 818-848-2866 for further details.

The Moonlight Tango Cafe's exciting Tuesday night series of big bands (818-788-2000) recently hosted Bill Berry's L.A. Band, an all-star outfit that mostly focused on the music of Duke Ellington. Trombonist Buster Cooper got to roar and scream on "Things Ain't What They Used To Be," altoist Marshall Royal filled in for Johnny Hodges on "I Got It Bad" and other top soloists included Berry, Conte Candoli and Steve Huffsteter on trumpets, tenor saxophonist Herman Riley and pianist Ross Tompkins. In addition, singer Madeline Eastman dropped by for a few songs, faring best on "This Can't Be Love." Lenetta Kidd deserves applause for organizing this well-conceived program which deserves enthusiastic support from the jazz community.

Upcoming: Jazzwest Productions presents Early Autumn, afourday (Sept. 23-26) celebration of the music of Woody Herman including sixteen concerts, nine panel discussions and many film showings. Call 310-420-7480 for further information about this unique convention. Also, Catalina's (213-466-2210) welcomes Frank Morgan (Sept. 14-19) and the Jazz Bakery (310-271-9039) has rare appearances by the great 87-year-old trumpeter Doc Cheatham (Sept. 24-25), a still-viable veteran of the Twenties.

-Scott Yanow

#### URBAN



#### Chocolate

Al's Bar, just on the fringe of downtown, and close to the East L.A. area, has long been known as a mecca for off-beat entertainment geared to artists. Since its inception some ten or so years ago, there have been poetry readings, a failed punk scene, some smatterings of blues and so on. Al's Bar is a venerable institution that now turns its leaning for the unusual to fill a vacuum that has plagued L.A. for some time.

Several months ago, I decried the lack of avenues for rappers to gain exposure, get on a stage and work out the kinks. On Monday evenings from 10 p.m. to closing, Al's Bar has flung its doors open to the rap world—for \$10 per customer. Response, predictably, has been positive, and word about the bar is steadily building. Several record company execs, including **Asia Love** from **New Breed Records** in New York, have haunted the place for fresh faces. I plan on checking out Al's Bar and will file a report.

Miscellany: Not that anyone would truly want to be associated with the guy, but props are due to rapper Chocolate, who wrote and produced the maligned Vanilla Ice 1990 smash, "Ice Ice Baby." Chocolate steps out with "Rizin Son" from his debut album, Life-N-A-Day. Chocolate, predictably, will diss Vanilla Ice on the album...San Diegobased rapper, C-Note, has just signed with Music Web Entertainment Group-a new album is ex-pected this fall...A hot new single called "Dawg Catchhim" by a fivemember female rap group, Diamonds In The Rough, is catching on big time. Snippets of funk god George Clinton's "Atomic Dog" classic can be heard throughout. Speaking of which, KRLA, the classic oldies station known for its whitebread approach, actually played "Atomic Dog" on Sunday, August 29. I was breezing through my station scanner on Route 10 when the song sprung out of nowhere. Imagine my surprise to hear Art Laboe sing the song's praises. Well, it is a classic...Last, but certainly not least: the Black Rock Coalition (BRC) will celebrate its fifth anniversary on Monday, September 27, at the Coconut Teaszer. The show features a special early evening VIP cocktail hour. Bands scheduled to play read like a VIP list itself: Total Eclipse, Civil rite, PMS, Bozaque, Afro-D-Ziak, Hello Children, Admiral Ball-Z, Sophia's Toy and a surprise guest headliner (could it be BRC pioneers Living Colour?) will rock the house. And, BRC will also celebrate the formation of its own label, BRC Records, and its first CD, a sampler entitled Blacker Than That. See ya there! -Gary Jackson



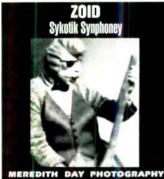
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311: Diverse musical styles.

**CLUB REVIEWS** 

**311**  *The Troubadour* West Hollywood ① ② ③ ④ **۞** ⑥ ⑦ ⑧ ⑨ ⑩

Contact: Marc Pucci, Capricorn Records: 615-320-8470

❑ The Players: Nicholas Hexum, vocals; Chad Sexton, drums; P-Nut, bass; Timothy J. Mahoney, guitars; SA, vocals.

 Material: 311 combines elements of rap, reggae and heavy metal into a musical stew. Just imagine Ziggy Marley, one of the Beastie Boys and the guitar player from Metallica getting together to jam. As far as the group's material goes, songs like "Visit" and "Welcome" highlight elements of the above mentioned styles in memorable packages. However, too much of the group's material is below par and comes off as unimaginative and failing to make use of the band's musical diversity. U Musicianship: Hexum and SA "bust out" with the raps in standard fashion. They seem to like the tightness and well-timed delivery of their counterparts, though. The rest of 311 keep in the swing of things, pretty much. Mahoney supplied the metal guitar licks, and like his counterparts, 311's greatest musical attributes may lie in their ability to blend a diversity of styles without stepping on each others toes.

→ Performance: 311 obliged with the typical jumping around stage and hair-swinging, but they really didn't seem to into it. Their performance was delivered without a whole helluva lot of sincerity, and they seemed to be a bit too distant from an audience that quite often threatened to be more interesting than they were. The audience was stage diving and moshing, but seemed to use the 311 concert as an excuse for mayhem, much like looters used the L.A. riots as an excuse to steal. I would have liked to have seen more interaction coming from someone who was actually paid to be on the stage. At one point, a member of 311 yelled to the soundman, "Hey, we're having problems with these monitors!" prompting me to yell back, "They'll sound a lot better if you tell your fans to quit leaping off them!" Remember guys, you're in control of the circus.

Summary: 311 is a good band which needs to get better. Their affable tryst of style is commendable. and while some of their songs grab the listener, their material needs shoring up. Delivering the material live is part of the game as well, and 311 needs improvement in this area. At times, the concert moved as lazily as an old hound dog on a Mississippi porch. Fortunately for 311, they have a very good foundation to build on. Get the album-it's really worth checking out-but I'd think twice about going to see them live again. —Tom Farrell

#### The Hellecasters Club Lingerie

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Contact: Genie Zelig, Pacific Arts Audio: 310-820-0991

❑ The Players: John Jorgenson, guitar; Will Ray, guitar; Jerry Donahue, guitar; Dennis Belfield, bass; John Hobbs, keyboards; Steve Duncan, drums.

Interval: After witnessing the Hellecasters' six-string sorcery firsthand, I'm convinced they've made a pact with the devil. Because no mere mortals could wring such ungodly sounds from the necks of their guitars. Bound by their common devotion to the Church of Telecaster, John Jorgenson, Will Ray and Jerry Donahue, three of the top hired guns on the Country & Western scene, have united to indulge their wildest guitar fantasies in this one-off project. Unlike their session work, in which "the song" comes first, Hellecaster compositions are but platforms for the players to blast into solo hyperspace. The group covers virtually every style (except heavy metal) with extra emphasis on country. "Sweet Dreams" offers mournful, Texas blues. "Hellecaster Stomp' swings in a jazz tribute to Charlie Christian. "King Arthur's Dream" evokes a traditional British romantic feel, while their smoking version of country classic "Orange Blossom Special" will raise the room temperature 20 degrees. But in their race to cross the musical galaxy at blinding speed, the Hellecasters sometimes stumble for lack of inspiration, as evidenced by their heavy use of cover tunes and a couple of duds (the would-be rock anthem "Back On Terra Firma" and lazy country boogie of "Five Seconds To Spare") that barely limp to the solo break, where the players must revive them with large doses of genius.

Musicianship: While it's impossible to say who played best, subtle differences in style did arise to distinguish the players from one another. Jorgenson showed perhaps the best ear for melody and a definite fondness for finger-tapping and whammy shrieks. Ray's quick-pickin' and nimble use of ring slides gave him the strongest country feel, while Donahue's fierce string-bending and marathon sustains created the deepest moods. Guitar lovers will surely feel compelled to fall to their knees in praise of the Hellecasters. But, despite their musical mastery, the band's overabundance of solos not only de-emphasized the songs but the solos as well. A little more breath-



Cranberries: Emotional and haunting.

ing room in between shred-a-thons would have made the music much more listenable and, ultimately, memorable.

D Performance: The Hellecasters are fun, plain and simple. They don't want to be rock stars. They already are stars in their own right. They don't care about some critic's nitpicking about too many solos or too many covers. That's beside the point. The Hellecasters do what they want to do, and what they want to do is play and play and play. Jorgenson and Ray grinned their way through a loose, playful set, chatting with the crowd and introducing the songs with a casual flair. The band's rendition of Duane Eddy's always-hip "Peter Gunn" established the light mood early on. From there the musicians' personalities were able to shine through in their playing: Jorgenson, the likable yet serious craftsman; Ray, the hotshot cut-up and Donahue, the quiet, thoughtful artist.

□ Summary: A Hellecasters show is a lot like the NBA Slam Dunk Contest: plenty of highlights but little meaningful action. Yes, the trio will dazzle you into a stupor, but right about the 200th solo, all motor skills will cease functioning and your body will go numb. In all, cheap thrills of the highest order. —Sean Doles

#### **The Cranberries**

*The Troubadour* West Hollywood ① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦ ✿ ⑨ ⑩

Contact: Susan Clary, PLG: 310-996-7255

❑ The Players: Dolores O'Riordan, vocals; Noel Hogan, guitars; Mike Hogan, bass; Fergal Lawler, drums.
 ❑ Material: Imagine an Irish guitar/

bass/drums rock band fronted by a less aggressive Sinead O'Connor with an amazing range of a voice. Throw in some great melodies and more than a hint of the traditional Gaelic sound and feel. Emotional, haunting, undeniably owing a lot to the heritage of their native isle, the music this band makes is full of mood and atmosphere. For a young band material such as the moving "Linger" and the atmospheric "Dreams" shows a huge amount of potentialfollowing in the footsteps of other trendsetters from the Emerald Isle such as Clannad and the hallowed U2.

Musicianship: O'Riordan has one hell of a voice. It's one of those voices that you either have or don'tyou can't learn to sing like this, it's inbred. Showing amazing range and versatility, her voice is very much the trademark of the band and gives their sound a very unique touch. The guitar and bass work of the Hogans is more than competent, yet very subtle. However, their playing takes a backseat to O'Riordan's vocals. Though the songs don't demand any acrobatics on the fretboards, their playing is tight, solid and more than adequate. Drummer Lawler has great meter and his playing lays down a solid backbone for the band's flowing rhythms. His style of playing is basically tight and versatile without over-playing or over-complicating the music

❑ Performance: O'Riordan is undoubtedly the center of attention here. In fact, so much so, that at times you'd be forgiven for thinking this was a solo artist with a backing band. The Hogans and Lawler remain virtually still and anonymous throughout the set, seemingly content to let O'Riordan take all the spotlight. That said, it seems the crowd came to see her. The capacity filled Troubadour was packed with people shouting out the singer's name between songs, throwing flowers for her onstage and even one young man who declared his love for the Irish songstress toward the end of the set! O'Riordan and her band may have been a little bit daunted to be playing to a sellout crowd for their first show in L.A., but they took it all in stride.

□ Summary: For such a small country, Ireland has always produced a steady flow of talented and longlasting artists from all genres of music. This band has already started to make waves in their native country, not to mention Britain and mainland Europe. If this performance tonight was an indicator of what they are capable of, then it shouldn't be long before this band is a household name in the USA as well. —Nick Douglas



Hellecasters: Crossing the musical galaxy.



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### Human Drama

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Contact: Bruce Duff, Triple X Records: 213-221-2778.

 The Players: Johnny Indovina, vocals and acoustic guitar; C.J. Eiriksson, drums; Geri Sutjak and Lisa Haney, cello; Mark Balderas, keyboards; Estefan Bravo, backing vocals; Carlo Bartolini, guitar; Curt Harding, bass; Renell LaPlante, flute. D Material: Human Drama falls into that lush pop romanticism genre we've been seeing lately from the new and improved Duran Duran. And it's obvious that ringleader Indovina has a profound and abiding respect for singer-songwriters a la Tom Waits, which is admirable, except that Indovina doesn't seem to have a scrap of the irony, subtlety or mastery of language required. The last time you heard lyrics this overwritten was in your high school cre-ative writing class. To wit: "Plunge a knife into my heart, it will be faster that way." The result is music that, while wonderfully arranged and technically strong, is plodding and bombastic, as interesting as sitting in a living room looking through other people's photo albums. This group is dreadfully misnamed: Human Melodrama would be much more precise.

Musicianship: Some wonderful instrumentation from Sutiak and Haney save many of the songs and make them much more palatable than they would be without the classical flavor of the cello. The same goes for LaPlante's graceful touches on the flute, which were always tasteful and well-timed. Indovina can sing-kind of a Robert Smith of the Cure/Neil Diamond mutation-and Bravo pulled of a falsetto so well, you'd swear he was a flaxen-haired siren, if you weren't looking at him. Eiriksson has an intricate drumming style with magic timing, and Balderas



Moth Macabre: Aggressive, alternative rock.



Human Drama: Taking risks live.

fills out the songs with seamless keyboard work. But truly, the most exciting element musically was Bartolini's fretwork, which was detailed but fluid, electrifying and emotionally just over-the-top.

Deeply silly. Indovina makes so many theatrical gestures you want to shake him and say, "This is not Shakespeare and you are definitely not Hamlet!" There's also the problem of taking a ten-minute break in the middle of a set. True, it was a long set, but pop music isn't meant to be opera and shouldn't assume its pretensions. Need a break to run to the bathroom? Put Bartolini up there for a five-minute solo and keep the audience engaged.

□ Summary: How frustrating it is to have a band with so much native talent and with such a great sense of risk-taking, and then have it held back by self-indulgent and sophomoric songwriting. Such is the fate of Human Melodrama. There must be some kind of cure for this, right? –Sam Dunn

#### **Moth Macabre**

The Troubadour West Hollywood 1234507891

Contact: Lucinda Fleurant, Interscope Records: 310-208-6547 The Players: Daniel Presley, vocals, lead guitar; Michelle Muldrow, bass, vocals; Tom Risse, guitar;

David White, drums. music into sub-pop grunge medioc-rity has spawned bands such as Moth Macabre. Not caring too much about polished perfections, they plunge their way into a noisy selfindulged oblivion. Their matérial is unbalanced, aggressive, alternative rock with styles ranging from punk angst to gentle pop, and thoughtprovoking lyrics about everything from self-mutilation, lost continents, vampires and pathetic modern architecture, All in all, an obscure, radically unusual blend to say the least. My personal faves were "Screwdriver Girl," "All Great Architects Are Dead" and "AEIOU," which deals with, what else, communicating with dolphins! D Musicianship: Not content with the current music scene, the members of Moth Macabre employed an arty approach to their instruments. Often loud, loose and discordant, their musical abilities tap into a strange world. Presley was a foul screamer. He barked like a dog and was often impossible to understand. His guitar parts were pretty much bar chords, albeit somewhat innovative. Rhythm guitarist Risse didn't do much for me besides adding to the almost out-of-tune dual guitar bits. Muldrow brought out a dark underlying depth, but played bass like a novice guitarist. Drummer White produced standard drum patterns to round out the quartet.

Performance: An odd individual. Presley's onstage persona reflects his introverted self. He won't talk to the audience, instead, arrogant and intense emotions pour out during the actual songs. I'm talkin' serious amounts of energy here. He's by far the main focal point of the outfit. Besides the obtrusive voice, I enjoyed watching him. Although she often appeared distant, Muldrow bounced around and was the most visually appealing of the bunch. She was the only one to speak to the audience between songs. The other two guys in the band were nothing much to look at, just pieces of the jigsaw puzzle.

Summary: Moth Macabre produce an alternative product in every sense of the word. They're as bizarre as their name. No doubt the young ambiguous college sector can relate. Their intelligent and unconventional methods lean toward a loud and literate approach. Observing the peculiar planet around them, Moth Macabre are flying their way toward uncharted territory. Look around the next corner-they'll be there!

CLUB REVIEWS



Bleed: Potent pop.

#### Bleed

Club Lingerie Hollywood ① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ✿ ⑧ ⑨

Contact: 310-470-6666

**The Players:** Carlo Bartolini, guitar; Kevin Damn, vocals; Tim Pedersen, drums; Curt Harding, bass.

□ Material: The influences are almost too easy to spot—Bauhaus, Bauhaus, Bauhaus, solo Peter Murphy and maybe even a little Sisters of Mercy. Still, you gotta love a pop song that's executed well—the kind that makes you feel like moving your feet and sticks in your head for a few days afterward. Happily, that's what Bleed delivers without being overly trite on the goth thing. "Emily," "Favorite Tragedy" and "Perfect Kiss" are fine cases in point.

Musicianship: Damn has a rich vocal style that is very reminiscent of Peter Murphy-even down to the British articulation, which on an American seems contrived but we'll let Damn get away with it because he doesn't overdo it. Bartolini, who can also be heard with Human Drama, is a stellar player of unusual complexity and finesse who is a joy to behold-"Kick It" was a particularly good number for him. Harding and Pedersen lock in solidly for some danceable if commonplace grooves. D Performance: Just what you'd expect from Bauhaus-er, goth rock: dry ice, artsy lighting effects and black nail polish. But seriously, as in their songwriting and playing Bleed seems to approach their perfor-mances very professionally. There was never a break in the tempo of the set, all the members seemed engaged and were engaging, and all their actions seemed appropriate for the material; never overblown. Summary: This is truly a promising start, but there's no getting around the fact that this type of material has been and gone in the music industry current. Still, pop is pop and there is room in the market for almost anything, given that it's done well. With a little more time, Damn should develop his own vocal identity, one that can pay tribute to Murphy without being such an overt copy of the goth master's style. In the interim this is an accessible and entertaining ensemble with lots of opportunity for growth. —Sam Dunn

#### Supreme Love Gods The Troubadour West Hollywood

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Contact: Melissa Dragich, American: 818-953-7910

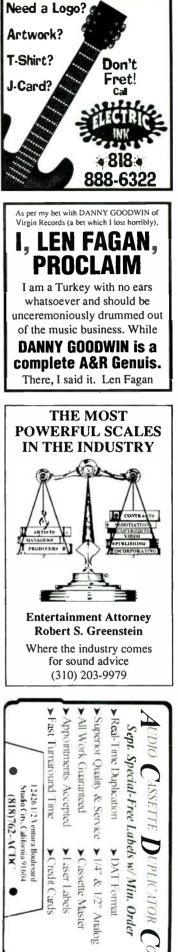
The Players: Thomas Dew, vocals, guitar; Tommy Joy, guitar, keyboards, vocals; John Wilson, bass, vocals; Eric Dansby, drums.

Material: Supreme Love Gods' material is college and commercial radio ready. Hypnotically moody, English-styled dance music, it sounds like Happy Mondays or a heavier version of the Cure. They incorporated lots of samples and sequenced snippets into the set. In parts, it was hard to tell what was real and what was on tape (including vocals). Fortunately, the plethora of weird sounds and sonic psychedelic squeals used complimented the mixture of loose grungy guitars and drum machine programming. Reminiscent of Primal Scream or EMF, supreme songs "Fantastique," "Fire" and "Souled Out" have hit written all over them. Musicianship: Vocally, nothing new or exciting was present, although they were proficient on their instruments. Dew rarely abided by the rules of the book. Instead, he rotated his parts around in a successful attempt to create a moody aroma. Smelled good to me. Juggling his multiple duties, Joy displayed a diversity that's sadly lacking in a lot of one-dimensional musicians these days. Industrial type keyboard parts, rather than a strictly notational form, were used sporadically throughout the set. The Nineties have arrived and Supreme Love Gods are cruisin' with 'em. Dansby played a box sounding kit with a heavy bottom end with precision-like timing endured throughout, suggesting that the drummer and bassist were one. Performance: A psychedelic backdrop and a ton of smoke and red strobe lighting gave the total effect of a foggy London night during World War Four. Intense visual effects were flooded our way, thank you very much. In a way, the guys were like stick figure puppets, set up to dance and enhance the stage show. Not that they performed inadequately, it was just that the lighting and smoke were given the standing ovation. Hats off to Dew, whose onstage charisma and habitual antics packed constant punches. A raw, gritty energy gripped him like a vice, which was professionally projected toward the humble audience.

Summary: Hailing from Fresno, Supreme Love Gods produce a sound that is more Manchester than typically Californian. As I've indicated, innovative extremities were prevalent, although more extraordinarily visual than musical. C'mon, with a name like Supreme Love Gods you've got a lot to live up to. They have the ability, they just need to stretch those godly artistic limits a bit. The band had hook-laden songs which were memorable and star qualities abounded, but something more dazzling is needed. They need to write more hits. Hey, they're not stars yet, but they're definitely in orbit<sup>1</sup> —Noel Hart



SLG: Visual and innovative.



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The crowd: muddied, bloodied and thirsty

#### Lollapalooza '93 Santa Fe Dam

Santa Fe

Ever wonder what would have happened had the Three Stooges been commissioned to oversee the Woodstock Festival? Had you attended this year's ill-fated Lollapalooza '93 Festival, you would have witnessed more mayhem than Larry, Moe and Curly Joe could have perpetrated at Woodstock in a decade of Saturday morning shenanigans.

It didn't take long for early arrivals to catch an ominous portent of things to come when, immediately upon entering the facility, cops began barking instructions with a frantic, twisted edge to their voices. They were privy to a still unrevealed actuality: There was but one road leading into a dustchoked cattle yard that would have to accommodate some 35,000 concertgoers. And you thought Dodger Stadium was tough!

But, hold on, there was more confusion to come ....

The press areas were hidden, the drinking fountains barren and the ratio of portable toilets to rock fans was grossly inefficient. In other words, midway through the day, portable potties began overflowing with human excrement, something which began to stink a lot more than the music.

Oh yeah, the music, I almost forgot about the music. That's what rock festivals are all about, right? Well, not at this Santa Fe Damnation. This year's celebration didn't hold a gasping Bic to the '92 edition that introduced Pearl Jam and the Chili Peppers to a captivated Irvine Meadows audience. This '93 dust bowl was unbelievably one-dimensional.

Starting things off was Rage Against The Machine, who, in all fairness, worked hard to project a cutting edge, angst-injected mood. Expectations ran high that the fourpiece aggregation would set the tone for a day of great, adventurous excursions

But, after Rage, things went downhill in a hurry. What followed was a seemingly never-ending roster of also-rans that chased most folks into the beer lines and concession stands.

Front 242 was awful. Fishbone's set sported some enticing moments

but their Prince-meets-Sly shtick disintegrated into confusion. Dinosaur Jr.'s intriguing potential never was realized as the Boston-based band's most promising moments were neutralized by the "East Coast superior" attitude projected by singer J. Mascis.

It was a day where no act had the charisma or originality to take charge. Where was Eddie Vedder when we needed him?

In the cruelest blow of all, Tool (who have great phallic T-shirts) achieved the impossible by driving a couple dozen half-crazed listeners into the mud bogs some one hundred yards to the left of the stage. After interminable stretches of tedium, people realized that they would have to entertain themselves or twiddle their thumbs all afternoon. And if that meant looking like extras from The Clan Of The Čave Bears, then so be it.

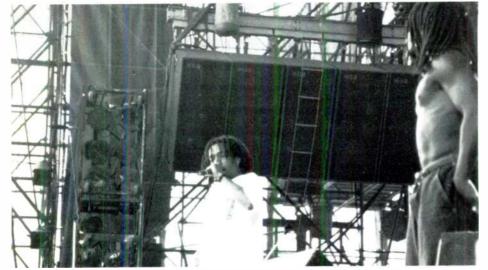
By the time Tool's lead singer stripped down to his waist and began flashing his sweat-drenched pubes, people began filtering to the rear away from the quagmire and slam dancers. Enough was enough. We were a muddied, bloodied lot with one common objective: to get the hell out of this 21st Century

nuclear anti-recreation site.

But, if getting into this nether world was difficult, getting out was virtually impossible. Some two hours after Primus had belched their final cartoony chords into the night, people were still belting down beers in the back of cars in resigned frustration of what had been an altogether anticlimatic concert. Fortunately, some had found a little fun and camaraderie in this polluted sea. After all, misery loves company, and there was plenty of that to go around.

Going from last year's menu of Pearl Jam, the Chili Peppers, Ministry and Soundgarden to Alice In Chains, Primus and Tool is like going from a Dallas Cowboys/San Francisco 49ers Super Bowl to a Tampa Bay/New England pre-season contest. The only feeling I was able to muster after escaping the demolition site was pity. If this is the best that the organizers of Lollapalozza can come up with, let's hope the whole extravaganza goes the way of the dinosaur. They can't get any lower than this, both from an organizational and aesthetic standpoint, and my deepest rooted primal fear is that they may try again next year.

-Oskar Scotti



**Speech of Arrested Development** 



**Fishbone's Angelo Christopher Moore** 



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BOGART'S 6288 E. Pacific Coast Hwy., Long Beach, CA 90803 Contact: Stephen Zepeda Type of Music: All styles of original music. Club Capacity: 300 Stage Capacity: 8 PA: Yes Lighting: Yes Piano: No Auditions: Send promo package. Pay: Negotiable.

CLANCY'S CRAB BROILER 219 N. Central Ave., Glendale, CA 91205 Contact: Richard Gaines Type of Music: Top 40, jazz, classic R&R Club Capacity: 162 Stage Capacity: 3 or 4 PA: No Lighting: Yes Plano: No Auditions: Send demo/promo pack to: Richard Gaines, 439 W. Acacia St., Glendale, CA 91204

Pay: Negotiable COCONUT TEASZER

8117 Sunset Bivd., Hollywood, CA 90046 Contact: Len Fagan (213) 654-4887 Type of Music: Upstairs-R&R originals, R&B/ Downstairs-8121 Club (acoustic sets). Downstars-8121 Club (acoustic sets Club Capacity: 285 Stage Capacity: 15 PA: Yes, with pro engineer Lighting System: Yes Piano: Upstairs, no/downstairs, yes Auditon: Call Len Fagan Pay: Negotiable.

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FM STATION 11700 Victory Blvd., North Hollywood, CA Contact: (818) 769-2221 Attn: Booking Type of Music: All new, original music. All styles. Club Capacity: 500 Stage Capacity: 12-15 PA: 4-way concert system with 24-channel board with independent monitor mix system, full effects, Lighting: Yes Piano: No udition: Send tape, promo pack, SASE. Pay: Negotiable

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THE MUSIC MACHINE THE MUSIC MACHINE 12220 Pico Blvd., W. Los Angeles, CA 90064 Contact: Milo (310) 820-8785. Type of Music: All types Club Capacity: 400 Stage Capacity: 15 PA: Yes, wiseparate monitor mix. Lighting: Yes Plano: No. Audition: Send demo on cassette. Beur, Nocettiche Pay: Negotiable

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PALOMINU 6907 Lankershim Blvd., N. Hollywood, CA 91605 Contact: Bill (818) 764-4010 Type of Music: Original, country, reggae, no T40 Club Capacity: 450

Stage Capacity: 15 PA: Yes

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Horizon Ave., Venice, Ca. 90291, Att: Jay Pay: Negotiable

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9081 Santa Monica Blvd., L.A., CA 90069 Contact: Lance, John or Gina, (213) 276-1158, Tues.-Fri, 2-6 pm Type of Music: All types Club Capacity: 300 Stage Capacity: 8 PA: Yes. Liablion: Yas Lighting: Yes Piano: No Audition: Tape, bio, picture Pay: Negotiable.

THE WHISKY 8901 Sunset. Blvd., W. Hollywood, CA 90069 Contact: Louie the Lip (213) 652-4202 Type of Music: All original, Heavy Metal, Pop, Club Capacity: 400 Stage Capacity: 8-10 PA: Yes Lighting: Yes Plano: No Audition: Call or mail tape/promo pkg. to above address Pay: Negotioable: Must pre-sell tickets.

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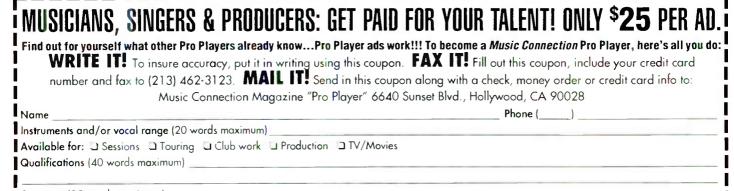
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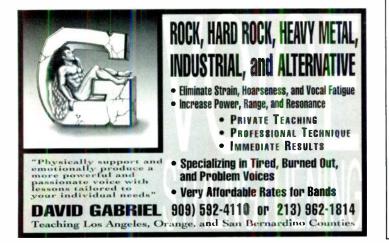
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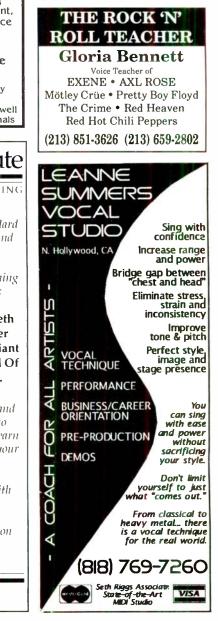
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 Up & coming prograv band siks uniq frontmn into Rush, Zep, Dream Theater, Marilion, Floyd, etc. Pros only. Demo avail, 313-625-1549

#### **13. DRUMMERS AVAILABLE**

A1 dedictd, career minded drmr & guit/sngwrtr team avail to join/form hvy, diverse, meldc, blues infl rock band. Infl



Zep, Floyd, 310-820-4025; 213-654-2825 •Drmr avail for hire for gigs, sessions & demos. Most pop & rock styles. Gri equip, very positive att & quick learner Michael, 805-296-834 •Drmr avail, formerty of Wink, Princess Pang & Sylvain Sylvain. To do live shows & studio wrk. Xtensv recrdng & tourng exp. Paid sits only. Brian, 213-876-3634 •Drmr httng drmr sks raw, R&R band. 100% dedictd a must. Infl Soul Asylum & Stones, Call Jimmy, 213-882-8290

must. Infl. Soul Asylum & Stones, Call Jimmy, 213-882-8290 Drmr sks srs. R&R band, Infl. vary, ie Stones, Pistols, Kravitz, Social Dist, Jane's. Ready to go. Randy, 213-850-

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6515 pmr w/17 yrs exp sks band writing to gig. Infl Beatles, Jam, Replacemtins, XTC. Jonathan, 213-658-1958 +Dmrr w/solid tempo, xiht imspo avail. Lkg for wrkg band into covers, rock or T40, cntry. I have very gd vocs too. 818-352-2355

d18-352-2365 •Dmm w/solid lime & feel lig to join wrk gor soon to be wrkg R&B tunk or jazz gpr. KL Johnson, 213-664-0355 •Fem dmm into 70 soul, funk, rock, 3 yrs training in dms, congas, lig for other musicns to jam with, leam with, Bella, 818-513-2389 •Fem dms.

6-513-2389 am drmr, 16 yrs exp, sks dedictd rock, HR or rhythm & es band, Pref fem plyrs, singrs. No drugs. Eves only.

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 Flashy, dywed black mop, cool cans, sks mirror image plyrs, 25 plus. 213-883-9578
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#### 13. DRUMMERS WANTED

13wDrmr & bst wid by blues outfit. Must know dynmcs & be open minded, Infl Robben Ford, Muddy Waters, Little Water, Albert Collins, Dan, 213-666-8408 \*21-24 y/o drmr for rock band, Infl Smithereens, SRV, Crowes, Richard, 818-858-2322 \*A #1 rock solid drmr vid for HR gro w/3 maj labi albums. Must be exp pro wigrt gear & att. No drugs. Ask for Joe, 310-791-0242

Must be exp pro wight gear & att. No drugs. Ask tor Joe, 310-791-0242 • Abandon ship. Are you tired of losers & flakes? So are we. Orig HR band nds pwrfl, well equip, team orientd, dedictid drmr. Randall, 310-431-6002 • Aggrsv, dynamc dbi bs drmr wid. Pantera style. 818-563-3811 • Attrinty drmr ndd for band. Infl are Cure, Smiths, Nick Cave. No Pearl Jam, Peppers, no white generic American formulated trash. Lv msg. Derrick, 310-399-0949 • Amazing drmr ndd. Infl Alice's Helmet mts Jane's Tool wide uoch of Primus. 24 hr Lokout studio, estaba musicns. No drugs, pis. Liberty, 318-386-8369 • Ambitious pro drmr wid for melker mdt. Jaus phys gd music. Infl Heart, Giant, Yankees. 310-214-7276 • Ambitious, pro drmr wid for melker nock band wistudio & connex. Gd meter & att a must. Infl Heart, Giant, Yankees. 310-214-7276

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310-214-7276 •Band archng for drmr/percussnst. Creativy, timing & dedicid a must. Have gigs, video, labi intrsl. Infl Eagles, CSN, America. Call Math, 818-343-1489 •BL.ACK WIDOW sks drmr. Infl Aero, Zep, early VH. Ozzy w/Randy Rhodes. 213-467-8242 •Black In; sleazy drmr wid. Early Crue vs Wasp. 818-363-9279; 818-831-1825 •Bs plyr & guit team skg drmr to complete guit/Ihrash proj. Must have gear, Imspo & exp. Call for more info. 213-463-9212

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Bs plyr sks drmr intrstd in all styles, willing to wrk. Call Mitch, 818-902-1720
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496-3571 •Drmr ndd to fill that groove. Sound like yourself. Style of Nick Mason, Mitch Mitchell, Bill Ward, Brendan Hill. Call J.D., 818-972-3977

Beatles. 310-784-1802 •Drm wtd for KROQ, KLOS style covers & origs. So Bay area. Have PA & rehrsi room, John, 310-372-5495 •Drm wtd for new proj. Must be willing to start from scratch. Must be hvy & hnh thng, Infl Tool, Exel & No Fx. Srs only. Call Dunark, 818-884-6879 •Drmr wtd for R&B groove rock band, Rick, 310-202-0895 •Drmr wtd to complete band. Covers & origs. Styles •Drmr wtd to complete band. Covers & origs. Styles •Drmr wtd to complete band. Covers & origs. Styles •Drmr wtd to complete band. Hor Annot the start for include regge, instrumnit surf music & classic rock, new wave. In Hermosa Bch, Chip, 619-767-5076 •Drmr wtd to complete buesy, soutif, HR band wword class matri, atty & ambition. Absolute pros only. 310-204-3176

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3176 orrmr wtd to form band into Metallica, Nirvana, Pantera, for gigging, recrdng, etc. 310-473-5752 orrmr wtd welec drms for industrial band. Infl Ministry, NIN, Pantera, White Zombie. Samplers & segncrs a plus. Chris, 213-851-9227, Michael, 213-878-0885 •Drmr wtd wfunky back beat. No drug head, pickle in the spandex poser rock wig outs. Call Adam, 310-996-7755; 310-396-1953; Todd, 818-771-0557 •Drmr/percussnst ndd jo complete acous rock band ala

310-396-1953; Todd, 818-771-0557 •Dmmr/percussnst ndd to complete acous rock band ala Eagles, CSN, America. Dedicth & creavity req d. Maj labi intrst. Pros only. Shawn, B18-705-8407 **-Estab gigging** R&R band sks dmr. Steve Jordan, Charlie Watts, Kenny Aronoff, Steve Foley. Pager #310-449-8008 **-Estab local** band sks dbl kick, under 6 ft dmr. Bckgmd vocs a must. Lng hr image a must. Lynch Mob, Firehouse, Dokken, Ronnie, 310-804-3671

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769-8852 Fem bat, beginner, sks drim to practice with at my studio. N Hillywd. & pm-midnight. 818-980-9176 Fem pop/rock singrisks pro drim wigni image for live gigs & collab. I have a demo deal. Melanie, 213-851-1680 Groove orlend furwk master for altrniv band. Will Calhoun, Bozzio. Prograv swing, stamming R&B. Pro w/demo tape. Xint timing, commitment, vocs helpfl. Gender & race unimporint. 213-969-4093. "Gut sks mature, intelignt, musicns for meldo, groove, altrniv HR bend. O'ryche, Extreme, DRN. Rock stardom, rock ki sint priority' Gd music is. Tony, 310-426-3175 "Hienergy, passionate dmm w/crazy, pro att & tons of feel. 310-696-6645

3 U-395-9545 Hrld httng, hyper dmr ndd for aggrsv, after pop trio. Lkg for a real band mate. Pixies, Pumpkins, Nirvana. Brett, 213-466-657 Hrld httng, solid grooving dmr for hvy, hvy, blues ad. Tm, 818-285-6359; Rodney, 818-963-9709 Intellight dmm ndd for modem, groove, world atmosphrc band. Tony Samson, Omak Hakim, Bonham. 310-820-5781; 818-980-6502 A) MAMMA kis dmm. Must ba abla to K/A Labi search JO' MAMMA kis dmm.

•JO' MAMMA sks drmr. Must be able to K/A. Labl, recrd, tour. 818-558-5257



#### 14. HORNS AVAILABLE

Ssx/flute plyr avail for studio & pro wrk of any kind. All styles. Maurice, 213-662-3642

#### **14. HORNS WANTED**

•Sax plyr for aggrsv R&R band. Infl Ramones, NY Dolls, C.Trick, etc. Randall, 213-850-7301

#### **15. SPECIALTIES**

•2 mixed Phillipino & black fems lkg for exp & responsbl mgr or proder. Style of music, R&B, hip hop & rap. Kathryn, 818-891-6844 •23 y/o English compsr/recrdng artist skg mgmt. Infl include Sakomoto, Peter Gabriel, Kate Bush. Have demo



& matri. Lee, 818-666-0870 \*Attn investors & promoters. The ambitious singr/sngwrtr duo of Amour Lu is currently skg promotional bckng. All styles ol new musics. Mary, 213-483-7330 \*Attn, fem musicns wild Gotrecrd deal, all expenses paid. Nd drms, bs. guit, keys. Must be pro & willing to travel. 714-471-1824

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893-2861 •European rep wtd by pro cntry rock act w/tem front currently charting & receiving steady rotation in Western Europe. Linn, 702-438-8798

•Found, Les Paul guit. Found on Sat, 8/21 in Hilywd. Can you identify? I have your first name. Mark, 213-851-9380 +Hip hop D wid now. Put dope beats to dope rhymes. 213-344-1860

 Hot fem video model avail for wrk. Debbie, 607-732-342 Investors wid. Hot black rock duo w/em t6 vocs. Have video. Grt investmit opportunity. Ask for Jackie Mitchell, 213-463-4014 signer nds wrk. Some equip. Exp. Pager

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2134034014 designer nds wrk. Some equip. Exp. Pager #2133634248 whatc HR singr/sngwrtr w/strong sngs skg music atty & publishr. Carmelo, 310-301-3983 \*Mgatt with or represent cimcl rock trio. We have pkg & gigs. Pis call Pierre, 310-433-8939 \*Midi engineer lkg for recrind gor tourng proj. Know all current synths. Have 2 rcks of private gear. Pro sits only. Rob, 818-799-5744 \*Musicilly orientd, non profit organization sks music industry pros to help organize benefit concert. Big names & maj media involvemnts already. 213-368-6146 •OFF THE CROSs, a metal band, sks booking agent 7 mgmt. 818-960-9765 \*Recrdng engineer lkg to hone his skills. Wrk on demos, etc. Steve, 213-934-6188



•Strings. Solo anist sks estab & regular rehrsng string quartet for shows & recrdng. Some pay, Must be pro. 213-851-9096 •Verst1 fem violinist Wrimage skg gigging band & recrdng proj. Jacklyn Lewis, 818-558-5124 •Wid, fem hip hop dancers, Jeanette, 310-478-1378 •Wid, violinist & celloist ndd for upcmng film proj. Some pay. Xperimntl music. 310-652-9197

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o.391 •A1 trax. Orig tunes avail for your demo or recrd. R&B, new jack swing, dance, pop, pop/rock, etc. Maurice, 213-662-3642

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MODERN ROCK	<b>79</b> %	21%
ADULT CONTEMPORARY	77%	23%
HOT 100	71%	29%
RAP	59%	41%
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