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Posted by [John \[1\]](#) on Fri, 10 Feb 2006 18:49:30 GMT
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Posted by [DC](#) on Sun, 12 Feb 2006 04:50:34 GMT

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Posted by [Bill Lorentzen](#) on Tue, 14 Feb 2006 01:43:35 GMT
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That's why I am a rock and blues guy and a big fan of jazz...

If you know what I mean.

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my own personal opinion is that the brain works on two levels, the intellectual and emotional. You can intellectually figure out things musically from now until forever, and come up with what should be a good jazz solo line, or, with sufficient background in the music and physical facility, you can just forget all about that lydian/modal stuff and just let the music come out. Well, sometimes you can. Perhaps it's rationalization after the fact.

Dizzy or Louis could play whole solos, if they chose, with only one or two well placed notes. Miles, too. Scales not necessary. It's the placement that's important.

But my opinion is that CC couldn't have cared less about scales and modes and what does and doesn't work. He just did it. I'm just guessing here, but he was a young kid from the sticks.. I don't think he had years of music theory. He just listened and played. That's why he so confounded schooled players.

Reminds me of a supposed meeting between Fats Waller and Artur Rubinstein. I may have the names mixed up -- you can substitute "great jazz pianist" and "great classical pianist" -- but the story went that AR said, here's a chorus of, oh, some standard jazz tune, like "I've Got Rhythm", and he played it, and AT said, that's great! and AR said, well, I've been working it out for the last two months. So AT sat down and ripped one off, equally great. AR said, wow, when did you write that? and AT said, just now, when I sat down...

-steve

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