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Posted by [Deej \[4\]](#) on Wed, 07 Feb 2007 06:39:11 GMT
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....perhaps I'm over music and should try my luck as a juggler or something.
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Posted by [Kim](#) on Wed, 07 Feb 2007 08:40:51 GMT
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Posted by [Jamie K](#) on Wed, 07 Feb 2007 19:56:17 GMT
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Rap involves talking or shouting, you can do it over any kind of music, just a simple beat or unaccompanied. Sometimes it's done over interesting music that has some semblance of development. More commonly it's done over repetitive loops and the main attraction is dance moves.

I dunno about the blanket dissing of "geezer rock" in comparison. Hip hop has been around long enough that there are geezers who rap, and there is no shortage of boring retread hip hop. Maybe the Jamaicans can infuse something new.

Cheers,
-Jamie
www.JamieKrutz.com

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Posted by [TCB](#) on Thu, 08 Feb 2007 01:03:22 GMT
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Subject: Re: The music industry
Posted by [chuck duffy](#) on Thu, 08 Feb 2007 01:16:02 GMT
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Hi Thad,

I'm not exactly sure what pushing sonic boundries means after reading this.
Is it the lack of sonic cliché so to speak? I'm asking because normally
I understand what you are saying, or at least think I do.

Thanks
Chuck

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With categories like "geezer rock" it is clear that no one can actually discuss, oh say, music, within your context.

Why don't we discuss geezer rock vs. commercial hip hop?

How about geezer jazz vs. misogynist rap?

We could have a go at geezer baroque vs. Bling R & B where Hummers of both kinds are a must-have in all videos

I am really looking forward to a chat about geezer bebop vs. gangsta rap. That one will be fun.

BTW, which reductionistic, anti-art category do you put your own music in? Or does it have all kinds of new sounds, so it's OK to not write good songs?

Endless Wire, BTW is the new Who disc and the sonic landscapes are absolutely breathtaking in places. You should listen. Oh, and there is also some actual songwriting and composition going on.

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Posted by [excelav](#) on Thu, 08 Feb 2007 01:41:11 GMT
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It's not 1969 anymore, but I think Geezer Butler kind of rocks (Terence Michael Butler). I haven't listen to them in years, but the last time I saw them they rocked. Actually being a drummer I pay more attention to Bill Ward, I always kind of liked his playing style. At least these old Geezers can actually play instruments.

Geezer Rock Rules;)

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Considering that nearly all rap/hip-hop involves recycling something that someone else has already done (whether it's a sampled loop from a geezer rock song or an Acid loop or repeating one-shot sample that someone else has recorded), I'd say they're breaking, oh... ZERO new ground.

Neil

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Posted by [LaMont](#) on Thu, 08 Feb 2007 01:57:48 GMT
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Ok Mon! I think this is what TCB is talking about, check it out, the videos.
Music, dance and culture. <http://www.dancehallreggae.com/index1.aspx>

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Mostly, yes, the lack of sonic cliché. Also a willingness to explore beats beyond straight 4/4 time, incredible bass sounds, and a toleration of 'grit' that I find refreshing.

Sorry I'm being less clear these days, must be early onset senility,

TCB

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Never liked The Who all that much. The only Brit geezer rockers I ever really like were the Kinks and the Stones. But if someone else has that record I'll listen to it.

TCB

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>How about geezer jazz vs. misogynist rap?
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>We could have a go at geezer baroque vs. Bling R & B where
>Hummers of both kinds are a must-have in all videos

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>vs. gangsta rap. That one will be fun.
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Well, at least when the Stones ripped off an old bluesman, they recorded & played the song themselves, and actually gave the original writer the appropriate credit & royalties. I like Janet Jacksons voice quite a lot, but when half of a CD consists of looped samples of everything from Ventura Highway" to "You're So

Vain" (ok, so that's "geezer pop", not geezer rock"), you're basically buying a CD full of karaeoke performances.

So, next time you wanna prove to us how hip you are by talking smack about how cool & "groundbreaking" P.Diddy is, just remember "Come With Me".

In fact, I think you should one-up him... why not just write & rap some new lyrics over a looped main riff of "Black Dog", that was an even bigger hit for Zep than "Kashmir" was. lol

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As with punk, even your esthetic sense will too become a period piece as the culture absorbs it. Yesterday's news.

Instead of looking for a new trend, I prefer doing what I do well.

Oh, and shhhhh, don't tell anyone, but that is what the trendsetters are doing; what they do well. They are too busy to worry about all this, to follow a trend, and to criticize other musicians, even old ones. Those who do, who worry about the next trend and where the new sounds may come from, are all behind the curve by the amount time of the writing, production, and marketing process.

In other words, anyone who gives a shit about "where the new sounds are coming from" is 6 months to 2 years behind the curve anyway.

Oh, and as you have seen, the young can be dumped on for their youth, the Jamaicans for their cultural myopia and lack of musical breadth, the rappers for not understanding music at all, and the hip-hoppers for their obsession with money and criminality.

Lessee, how about we come up with some stupid and useless descriptions of these guys...

Maybe

Zit-Rockers

or

Ganja Dancehalls

or perhaps

Numbnutz no-talent Rap hustlers

and don't forget Bling-Hop!

The problem with all these stupid phrases, as with "geezer rock"; is not that saying them makes the music bad. It cannot do that.

The problem is that they blind the person who uses them.

just my .02

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People talking and yelling in rhythm over a sonic background can be listenable, even compelling. But it's harder to be as _musical_ as you can be in genres that make greater use of melody and development.

Lyrically, when it's just shock lyrics it's not particularly interesting. Even though not all rapping is like that, the genre has that reputation.

When posturing and dance have to take up the slack, sometimes the dancing is spectacular. Other times it's mostly about marching back and forth, repetitive gesturing, crotch grabbing and other simplistic and cheesy moves.

So really, it all depends on the piece and the performer.

I could say similar things about other genres. So it's not the genre, per se, it's the results that opens rappers to criticism from people who would rather hear something more musical.

Also, if you're looking for a virtuostic performance on an instrument or amazing singing, there's not much there in a lot of hip hop. Some, yes, but generally it doesn't deliver those goods. So the question of musical talent comes up.

To point those aspects out isn't dismissing the genre out of hand, it's just recognizing some of the limitations that have become obvious since the day when rapping actually was something new and fresh, and that's been a while.

Cheers,
-Jamie
www.JamieKrutz.com

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Hi Chuck,

Glad you're still around.

You have my deepest sympathy as a PK. They have it harder as kids than most people know.

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>>>>>>>>>Music industry stats.
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>>>>>>>>>> http://home.businesswire.com/portal/site/google/index.jsp?ndmViewId=news_view&newsId=20070104005813&newsLang=en
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>>>>>>>>>>>By genre, I'm surprised that Metal sold more than RAP. In fact, I'm
>>>surprised
>>>>>>>>>>>>that Rock is about three times bigger than RAP. You'd never know
it
>>>by
>>>>>>>>watching
>>>>>>>>>>>MTV or by watching any music award shows. You'd think nothing is
bigger
>>>>>>>>>>>>than RAP.
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>>>>>>>>>>>>I was also surprised that the band No Doubt wasn't listed in the top
>>>ten
>>>>>>>>>>>>>albums from 1991-2006. I read and was told by Matt Wilder and Tony
>>Ferguson
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>(Interscope Records) that Tragic Kingdom sold around 16 million records
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>and
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>set sales records???
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>>>>>>http://www.taxi.com/faq/ar/ferguson.html
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Subject: Re: The music industry
Posted by [TCB](#) on Thu, 08 Feb 2007 20:43:52 GMT
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We're very much a live outfit, though that CD was done with very, very little of my influence. The next one will have my stomp prints all over it and I'm hoping to make it sound MORE live. I'm quite excited with the really bare bones mixes we're getting right now. Our 'signature' is three part harmonies on almost everything with a big loud rock'n'roll noise behind it and we're getting there on the next CD.

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TCB

"DC" <dc@spammersinhell.org> wrote:

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>"TCB" <nobody@ishere.com> wrote:
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>>Hey Don,
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>>I play in what I would call a 'Brit flavored pop band' called the Mold Monkeys.
>>You can hear some songs at www.moldmonkeys.com or buy our CD if you actually
>>give a rip, which I suspect you don't.
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>
>Actually I do, and like some of the tunes. I hear the need for a
>producer to focus things a bit. Sounds like a good band for a
>fun live show.
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>DC

Subject: Re: The music industry
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I've never understood it either. I mean, I'm 37, white, played in blues/jazz bands for years, and I can enjoy hip hop so I would think everyone could. For me it was the first time I heard 'Fight the Power' that I realized there was something going on that demanded my immediate attention.

We used to have Derek around which helped a bit.

Oh well, more cool tunes for me,

TCB

"chuck duffy" <c@c.com> wrote:

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>You know the thing that has always bugged me about this group is how hiphop
>gets dismissed out of hand almost every time its mentioned. If I close
my

>eyes I can almost see the bumperstickers that say RAP=CRAP next to the picture
>of calvin peeing on the chevy.

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>I love three chord rockers, love the who, stonies, beatles, kinks. But I
>also (I'm dating myself) love innovative, sonically interesting, thought
>provoking hiphop by guys like dela soul, pharcyde and tribe called quest.
> I don't understand how anyone could listen to that and not find at least
>something sonically or lyrically interesting. Who gives a rats ass if it's
>samples and loops put together.

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>It also get's me thinking about intolerance. As many of you know, i am
a

>PK. My dad is nutty as a fruitcake intolerant. Bad language, bad manners,
>things he percieved to be innately 'worthless', how society was going to
>hell with violence, the emptyness of the consumer society, the list goes
>on and on. One day he was raving on and on about a movie he had seen.
Couldn't

>stop talking about it. Said it was the best thing he had seen in 20 years.

> Go figure, guy can't stand to see a bloody nose, change a diaper or hear
>a curse word and his favorite movie of the the past 20 years turns out to
>be BOYS IN THE HOOD!!!!

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>"LaMont" <jjdpro@ameritech.net> wrote:

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>>Agreed..Those 2 genres are the titans..

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>>"DC" <dc@spammersinhell.com> wrote:

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>>>At my daughter's high school it's a big mix of everything, but
>>>there are lots of people rockin' including black kids. Also
>>>with a lot of music, the line between rock and rap is pretty
>>>darn hard to find sometimes.

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>>>DC

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>>>"LaMont" <jjdpro@ameritech.net> wrote:

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>>>>James , I'm talking about the teens..Most of teen, including my own and
>>>neighbors

>>>>listen to Hip /Rap..

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>>>>"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:

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>>>>>LaMont we live in the same place, and run in two different crowds, not
>>>everybody

>>>>>here is in to RAP. Many are though.

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>>>>>"LaMont" <jjdpro@ameritech.net> wrote:

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>>>>>>Not Me..I'm not surprised... Both Rock and RAP have been battling each
>>>>for

>>>>>>the better part of the last 10 years. Rap

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>>>>>>RAP Sales have been dominate for the last 2 years with groups such
as

>>>Outcast.

>>>>>>But this where things get's confusing.. Both Outcast & Ludacris aven

>>Em

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>>>>>>EM where catagorzed aS ROCK!!!! As is Jay-Z..

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>>>>>>So, you can see that how the numbers for Rock climbed. Some in the
industry

>>>>>>calls this racism. I can tel you that in my neighborhood (Macomb) Mi

>>nearly

>>>>>>all kid(Wjites , Blacks, Hispanic) listen to only Hip Hop rap..And

No

>>>Rock..

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>>>>>>And that's the trend all over this world not just the US..

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>some smart producer to keep us from doing all of the stupid, silly stuff
>we do.

Smart producer??

Like Phil?

hah

DC

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>> Go figure, guy can't stand to see a bloody nose, change a diaper or hear
>>a curse word and his favorite movie of the the past 20 years turns out
to
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>>"LaMont" <jjdpro@ameritech.net> wrote:

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>>>Agreed..Those 2 genres are the titans..

>>>
>>>"DC" <dc@spammersinhell.com> wrote:

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>>>>At my daughter's high school it's a big mix of everything, but
>>>>there are lots of people rockin' including black kids. Also
>>>>with a lot of music, the line between rock and rap is pretty
>>>>darn hard to find sometimes.

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>>>>>
>>>>>James , I'm talking about the teens..Most of teen, including my own
and

>>>>>neighbors
>>>>>listen to Hip /Rap..

>>>>>
>>>>>"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:

>>>>>>
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not

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>>>>>>>Not Me..I'm not surprised... Both Rock and RAP have been battling
each

>>>>>>>for

>>>>>>the better part of the last 10 years. Rap
>>>>>>
>>>>>>RAP Sales have been dominate for the last 2 years with groups such
>as
>>>>Outcast.
>>>>>>But this where things get's confusing.. Both Outcast & Ludacris aven
>>>Em
>>>>>>&
>>>>>>>EM where catagorzed aS ROCK!!!! As is Jay-Z..
>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>So, you can see that how the numbers for Rock climbed. Some in the
>industry
>>>>>>>calls this racism. I can tel you that in my neighborhood (Macomb)
Mi
>>>nearly
>>>>>>>all kid(Wjites , Blacks, Hispanic) listen to only Hip Hop rap..And
>No
>>>>Rock..
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>>>>>>>> http://home.businesswire.com/portal/site/google/index.jsp?ndmViewId=news_view&newsId=20070104005813&newsLang=en
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>>>>>>>>By genre, I'm surprised that Metal sold more than RAP. In fact,
I'm
>>>>surprised
>>>>>>>>that Rock is about three times bigger than RAP. You'd never know
>it
>>>>by
>>>>>>>>watching
>>>>>>>>MTV or by watching any music award shows. You'd think nothing is
>bigger
>>>>>>>>than RAP.
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>>>>>>>>I was also surprised that the band No Doubt wasn't listed in the
top
>>>>ten
>>>>>>>>albums from 1991-2006. I read and was told by Matt Wilder and Tony
>>>Ferguson
>>>>>>>>(Interscope Records) that Tragic Kingdom sold around 16 million records
>>>>>>>>and

>>>>>>>set sales records???

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>>>>>>>http://www.taxi.com/faq/ar/ferguson.html

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>>>>>>>James

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 >want
 >>some smart producer to keep us from doing all of the stupid, silly stuff
 >>we do.
 >
 >Smart producer??
 >
 >Like Phil?

Yeah, one wouldn't want some smart producer like George Martin coming along & forbidding any silly stuff... you know, like he did with "Yellow Submarine" or "Octopus' Garden".

;)

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Preacher's Kid...

Usually the rowdiest kid in class...

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I don't think you listen to hip-hop, not that that matters, but there is plenty of original thinking, lyric, delivery and musical content amongst the groups I cited and dozens of others. You'll probably think this is criticism of you personally, but it's not, everyone likes what they like.

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I've recorded some hip-hop & R&B over the years, and I enjoyed working on some of that, as well (one of the bands was called "The Krunch" - two of whom went on to become the "Mac-Money" team of guys that do a lot of samples & loops for Sony/Acid); although it's certainly not a genre that I would say I bring anything to the table for, other than my mad engineerin' skillz. :D

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Neil

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Posted by [chuck duffy](#) on Fri, 09 Feb 2007 01:54:01 GMT

"Neil" <IUOIU@OIU.com> wrote:

"And even if I wasn't interested in it in the least bit, I guess I would respond to your question in the following manner: "for the same reason that Thad dismisses a geezer rock genre that he has no interest in."

Good point, haha :-)

Chuck

Subject: Re: The music industry
Posted by [Jamie K](#) on Fri, 09 Feb 2007 03:01:53 GMT
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TCB wrote:

> Some of us find beats and bass lines to be at least as interesting as melody
> and harmony. Which is not to say that all hip hop is lacking in melodic or
> harmonic interest, just that there is a universe in the rhythm.

Oh, absolutely Thad. I love a good drum circle, for example.

I've shot some hip hop concerts by big name artists, check my web site. Some were good or partially good, some were appallingly bad.

But if you and Chuck are wondering why not everyone is thoroughly amazed by hip hop in general, there are reasons people may want to look elsewhere without it being a knee-jerk diss.

Whereas I thought your geezer throwaway line was a knee-jerk diss of a much wider range of music and musicians.

And BTW, I disagree with your line about about Kraftwerk, they did some fun stuff but much of it flirted with boredom for me. You're missing a lot if you stopped there but that just my opinion. Granted the fear and loathing writing style is fun to engage in, but Hunter is dead.

(OK, that wasn't so fun to write and I miss the real Hunter).

Back to the music: I am usually looking for other things, ALONG WITH great rhythmic ideas (in most bands I listen to the drummer first and I dig a good bassist, but then I want more). Add in great melodies, counterpoint, thematic development, instrumental talent and even virtuosity, great singing...stuff that is absent or less present in most hip hop, and that's what really makes my ears happiest.

I don't usually get much from being shouted at, yo, or having cheesy sub bass lines pounded incessantly into my skull. Or record scratching. Or repetitive inexpressive synth lines with the world's most boring patches. or "bands" that are one guy yelling insults, more guys yelling trash and a guy standing alone in back with some turntables and flashing lights, or fake turntables and flashing lights. Or one woman singing through autotune with just a bunch of dancers bouncing around an erector-set stage, no musicians at all.

Again, I'm not saying all hip hop is like that, and probably there's some I haven't heard that I'd like, but I've heard a lot of hip hop that fits the above description.

A friend of mine is in a hip hop group that does some groovy almost-jazz jams, with actual musicians playing live instruments behind a very socially conscious rapper, they are better than most. But still not something I'd listen to every day. There's no melody, very little development, no singing, and no playing that makes my skin tingle. It doesn't suck but it doesn't climb the musical mountain to a really stunning view.

There's room in the world for a lot of different tastes. So enjoy what you dig but don't be surprised if other people simply don't dig it.

Cheers,
-Jamie
www.JamieKrutz.com

> Jamie K <Meta@Dimensional.com> wrote:

>> People talking and yelling in rhythm over a sonic background can be
>> listenable, even compelling. But it's harder to be as _musical_ as you
>> can be in genres that make greater use of melody and development.

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>> Lyrically, when it's just shock lyrics it's not particularly
>> interesting. Even though not all rapping is like that, the genre has
>> that reputation.

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>> When posturing and dance have to take up the slack, sometimes the
>> dancing is spectacular. Other times it's mostly about marching back and

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>> forth, repetitive gesturing, crotch grabbing and other simplistic and
>> cheesy moves.

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>> So really, it all depends on the piece and the performer.

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>> I could say similar things about other genres. So it's not the genre,

>> per se, it's the results that opens rappers to criticism from people who
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>> would rather hear something more musical.
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>> Also, if you're looking for a virtuostic performance on an instrument or
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>> amazing singing, there's not much there in a lot of hip hop. Some, yes,
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>> but generally it doesn't deliver those goods. So the question of musical
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>> talent comes up.
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>> To point those aspects out isn't dismissing the genre out of hand, it's
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>> just recognizing some of the limitations that have become obvious since
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>> the day when rapping actually was something new and fresh, and that's
>> been a while.
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>> Cheers,
>> -Jamie
>> www.JamieKrutz.com
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>> chuck duffy wrote:
>>> You know the thing that has always bugged me about this group is how hiphop
>>> gets dismissed out of hand almost every time its mentioned. If I close
> my
>>> eyes I can almost see the bumperstickers that say RAP=CRAP next to the
> picture
>>> of calvin peeing on the chevy.
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>>> I love three chord rockers, love the who, stoness, beatles, kinks. But
> I
>>> also (I'm dating myself) love innovative, sonically interesting, thought
>>> provoking hiphop by guys like dela soul, pharcyde and tribe called quest.
>>> I don't understand how anyone could listen to that and not find at least
>>> something sonically or lyrically interesting. Who gives a rats ass if
> it's
>>> samples and loops put together.
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>>> It also get's me thinking about intolerance. As many of you know, i am
> a
>>> PK. My dad is nutty as a fruitcake intolerant. Bad language, bad manners,
>>> things he percieved to be innately 'worthless', how society was going
> to
>>> hell with violence, the emptyness of the consumer society, the list goes
>>> on and on. One day he was raving on and on about a movie he had seen.

> Couldn't
 >>> stop talking about it. Said it was the best thing he had seen in 20
 > years.
 >>> Go figure, guy can't stand to see a bloody nose, change a diaper or hear
 >>> a curse word and his favorite movie of the the past 20 years turns out
 > to
 >>> be BOYS IN THE HOOD!!!!
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 >>> "LaMont" <jjdpro@ameritech.net> wrote:
 >>>> Agreed..Those 2 genres are the titans..
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 >>>> "DC" <dc@spammersinhell.com> wrote:
 >>>>> At my daughter's high school it's a big mix of everything, but
 >>>>> there are lots of people rockin' including black kids. Also
 >>>>> with a lot of music, the line between rock and rap is pretty
 >>>>> darn hard to find sometimes.
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 >>>>>> listen to Hip /Rap..
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 > not
 >>>>>>> everybody
 >>>>>>>> here is in to RAP. Many are though.
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 >>>>>>>> "LaMont" <jjdpro@ameritech.net> wrote:
 >>>>>>>>> Not Me..I'm not surprised... Both Rock and RAP have been battling
 > each
 >>>>>>>>> for
 >>>>>>>>>> the better part of the last 10 years. Rap
 >>>>>>>>>>>
 >>>>>>>>>>>> RAP Sales have been dominate for the last 2 years with groups such
 > as
 >>>>>>>>>>> Outcast.
 >>>>>>>>>>>>> But this where things get's confusing.. Both Outcast & Ludacris
 >>>>>>>>>>>>> Em
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 >>>>>>>>>>>>>>> EM where catagorzed aS ROCK!!!! As is Jay-Z..
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 >>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> So, you can see that how the numbers for Rock climbed. Some in the

> industry
>>>>>> calls this racism. I can tel you that in my neighborhood (Macomb)
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>>> nearly
>>>>>> all kid(Wjites , Blacks, Hispanic) listen to only Hip Hop rap..And
> No
>>>> Rock..
>>>>>> And that's the trend all over this world not just the US..
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>>>>>> "James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:
>>>>>>> Music industry stats.
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>>>>>>> http://home.businesswire.com/portal/site/google/index.jsp?ndmViewId=news_view&newsId=20070104005813&newsLang=en
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>>>>>>> By genre, I'm surprised that Metal sold more than RAP. In fact,
> I'm
>>>> surprised
>>>>>>> that Rock is about three times bigger than RAP. You'd never know
> it
>>>> by
>>>>>>> watching
>>>>>>> MTV or by watching any music award shows. You'd think nothing is
> bigger
>>>>>>> than RAP.
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>>>>>>> I was also surprised that the band No Doubt wasn't listed in the
> top
>>>> ten
>>>>>>> albums from 1991-2006. I read and was told by Matt Wilder and Tony
>>>> Ferguson
>>>>>>> (Interscope Records) that Tragic Kingdom sold around 16 million
> records
>>>>>>> and
>>>>>>> set sales records???
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>>>>>>> <http://www.taxi.com/faq/ar/ferguson.html>
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>>>>>>> James
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Posted by [chuck duffy](#) on Fri, 09 Feb 2007 14:20:45 GMT
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It makes me sick to my stomache, not only for the appalling lack of musicianship, but for the atrocious misunderstanding of the nature of death, and the very idea that they can sufficiently illuminate the twin realities of lifelessness and the void using the self-limiting vocabulary of symphonic death metal.

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Posted by [Jamie K](#) on Fri, 09 Feb 2007 16:26:44 GMT
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Heh.

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LOL.

I'll get you a bag to hork into.

Cheers,
-Jamie
www.JamieKrutz.com

Subject: Re: The music industry
Posted by [Jamie K](#) on Fri, 09 Feb 2007 18:46:41 GMT
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I haven't heard of them, but now it sounds like I'll need to get you a bigger bag...

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www.JamieKrutz.com

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Subject: Re: The music industry

Posted by [Aaron Allen](#) on Fri, 09 Feb 2007 19:04:50 GMT

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Chuck

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Posted by [xpam_mark](#) on Fri, 09 Feb 2007 20:11:03 GMT
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James, although it pleases me to read about and then hear these musical alloys, I doubt that Amish Metal Rap is going to be the next big thing.

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"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote in message
news:45ccd3e7\$1@linux...

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Posted by [excelav](#) on Fri, 09 Feb 2007 21:27:38 GMT
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YES IT IS!!!! It's going to be a lot bigger than Jamaican RAP!

>"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote in message
>news:45ccd3e7\$1@linux...

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Posted by [Nil](#) on Fri, 09 Feb 2007 21:30:59 GMT
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Posted by [DC](#) on Fri, 09 Feb 2007 21:41:49 GMT
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irony + internet = wha??

heh

DC

"chuck duffy" <c@c.com> wrote:

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>Aaron,

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>Reading your post reminded me of what a great guy you are :-) I wasn't

even

>aware there was really something called symphonic death metal. I was setting
>it up as a joke on how people categorize hip-hop as not music, contradicting
>my own post on how people shouldn't be bothered by genres they don't work
>in.

>

>I have no problem with mega orchestral sample libraries or the people who
>use them, no matter what the genre :-)

>

>Chuck

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>"Aaron Allen" <know-spam@not_here.dude> wrote:

>>FWIW, I may be able to explain some of that to make sense to you. Think

>of

>>the music not as a death (as in real life) but more in a comic book / Alice

>

>>Cooper context. It is not real, it's a fantasy land for this genre' -

>>although there are always idiots out there that don't understand and take

>it

>>WAY too far...

>>As to the orchestral part of it, it's an extension, in my experiences,

of

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>>the limitations of being tuned down and very heavily distorted. Sort of

like

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>>when they kick an ac gtr piece out, only an extension of this thinking.

>It's

>>an expanded view of their skills I have found, and that's pretty cool.

Most

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>>of (note, I said -most-) the death metal guys I've worked with/around are

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>>quite thoughtful and intelligent. Sadly, much more so than the bible belt

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>>free riding idiots from religious groups I have in the past had to deal

>

>>with.

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>>FWIW anyway. I'm of the mind that you get it being a PK but if not I hope

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>>I've only illuminated and not offended.

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>>AA

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>>"chuck duffy" <c@c.com> wrote in message news:45cc752d\$1 @linux...

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>>> Jamie K <Meta@Dimensional.com> wrote:
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>>>>But if you and Chuck are wondering why not everyone is thoroughly amazed
>>> by hip hop in general, there are reasons people may want to look elsewhere
>>> without it being a knee-jerk diss."
>>>
>>> Jamie I never asked anyone to be amazed. I just don't understand the
>
>>> overly
>>> simplistic rap is just samples and loops bit.
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>>> For example, i'm not a fan of symphonic death metal. I think that the
>use
>>> of large scale symphonic sample libraries is a cheap demeaning cheat
>to
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>>> real
>>> orchestra players, conductors and composers who have spent their lives
>
>>> honing
>>> their skills and applying their craft. These symphonic death metal guys
>>> come along with huge oversized midi rigs, gigantic over-powered computers
>>> with massive amounts of RAM, and ham fistedly thrust away at their touch
>>> sensitive keyboards in a frenzy of melodramatic hair brained insanity,
>
>>> stopping
>>> only to print out scores they never wrote (and definitely can't read)
>to
>>> impress their symphonic death metal groupies.
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>>> It makes me sick to my stomache, not only for the appalling lack of
>>> musicianship,
>>> but for the atrocious misunderstanding of the nature of death, and the
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>>> very
>>> idea that they can sufficiently illuminate the twin realities of
>>> lifelessness
>>> and the void using the self-limiting vocabulary of symphonic death metal.
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Posted by [DC](#) on Fri, 09 Feb 2007 21:43:58 GMT
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"chuck duffy" <c@c.com> wrote:

>See now you are just trying to get me going, cause if there's anything I
>like less than symphonic death metal, it's proto weenie beat butchers like
>Hork Bag.
>
>Chuck

Oh yeah???

Well, Geezer proto weenie beat butchers are much worse!!

DC

Subject: Re: The music industry
Posted by [chuck duffy](#) on Fri, 09 Feb 2007 21:52:21 GMT
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Mark, a couple of years ago, who would have imagined orthodox jewish reggae?

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Ichabod rocks!

There was a big rock fight on the Ohio Pennsylvania border. Battle of the amish metal bands. The last two bands standing were Ichabod against The Malachi's, kind of a Hatfield's against the Macoy's. Ichabod won, the Malachi's were disqualified because they wore fake beards and hair extensions.

There was some great music to come out of that battle of the bands though.

Amish Metal rules dude! It's the best most innovative music to come out in a long time. It's not some retread old geezer stuff, it's Amish Metal.

The new band wagon to get on, it's gonna be big, and by now you know, I'm putting you on.

Guys, music is subjective and we all have different tastes. You can have your opinion, but saying something like, RAP is the best and most innovative form of music to day, would be ridiculous. It would be like saying that break dancing is the best form of dancing. Just like Geezer Rock packed arenas and still does, doesn't mean it's the best stuff out there.

What is the best music is pretty silly, it subjective.

The Geezer Rock comment is some what true, there is a lot of old tired rock out there. Although, it seemed that it was a slam on all rock, including new rock, as to say it all sucks, it's all old retread stuff, and RAP is new and innovative.

I must say I am inspired with this term Geezer Rock. I think I'm going to dig up all the old Geezer rock stuff I wrote in the 80s and rerecord a bunch of that old stuff. I might even call the CD Geezer Rock! Geezer Rock Productions! On retread records. The Old Geezers are so old school it's cool!

We've been through it all before here. I will say that Rock has it's roots in the Blues, but not all rock. I don't hear much Muddy Waters in Iron Maiden, or Chuck berry in Rush, TNT, Saxon, Pantera, Yngwie Malmsteen, Genesis, Kansas etc. So it's not all a rip off.

However, a lot of stuff was ripped off so to speak, or should we say influenced.

The depictions in the movie Dream Girls was sad, funny and pathetic all at the same time. Just like what they are doing in the industry these days is sad, funny and pathetic.

They are always pushing a lot of crap, and some eat it up like candy. It's called bad taste, and a lot of people have it. Just because something is popular doesn't mean it's good. The industry decides what will be popular.

They ram it down our throats until the masses start to like the taste of the shit they are pushing. The kids are being raised on what the industry says is cool, and that is all they will know. It's also called marketing

or brain washing. It's always good to listen to some different kinds of music once in a while to open up to different things.

In the end it's opinion and we all got one.

"W. Mark Wilson" <xpam_mark@avidrecording> wrote:

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>just made.
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