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Posted by Deej [4] on Mon, 19 Mar 2007 05:32:47 GMT
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Posted by Sarah on Mon, 19 Mar 2007 07:51:06 GMT
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Posted by Sarah on Mon, 19 Mar 2007 07:58:36 GMT
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Posted by excelav on Mon, 19 Mar 2007 08:01:05 GMT
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I've used it to search an artist content to find a song when I didn't know the song title, by playing the snippets. I've listen to a new records to get a sampling of what's on it before I buy it. Some times I'll check out movie trailers. Some times, I actually use it to listen to my music while I'm on the tube. Just drop you CDs in and hit import. You can also do drag and drop. I also use it to listen to the net radio shows while I work.

There is a lot of cool stuff on iTunes that is free. The thing I find coolest about it is the Pod casts. Check it out, if you go to the store and click on podcasts, there is a bunch of categories. select a category and pick some thing your interested in and subscribe. It will down load the pod casts. It is mostly audio and some videos. There are a lot of radio shows, instructional videos. There is all kinds of stuff, like real-estate, investment, business, comedy, music, motivational speaking, news, learning video production, cooking to learning spanish. The best part is most of it is free.

There is a lot there. Have fun with it.

James

Subject: Re: OK.....I've gotta' hand it to Steve Jobs
Posted by excelav on Mon, 19 Mar 2007 08:24:33 GMT
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I should have mentioned that you don't have to subscribe to the podcasts, if you just want to listen or watch one of them, just click on them one at a time. If it's video, double click on the video to open a larger screen. There are PhotoShop quick tips video podcasts there. You can also create your own podcasts and up load them.

There is one screwy thing about itunes. If you add original music that has no meta info, iTunes will try to figure out what it is based on song length or something, and it will sometimes give it a wrong name. So you kind of

have to watch it, and correct the name if it does that.

James

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Posted by rick on Mon, 19 Mar 2007 08:45:42 GMT
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it's called maturity.
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Posted by xpam_mark on Mon, 19 Mar 2007 08:59:48 GMT
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Posted by Aaron Allen on Mon, 19 Mar 2007 13:55:32 GMT
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Subject: Re: OK.....I've gotta' hand it to Steve Jobs
Posted by excelav on Mon, 19 Mar 2007 14:44:18 GMT
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Posted by LaMont on Mon, 19 Mar 2007 16:51:07 GMT
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Posted by rick on Mon, 19 Mar 2007 18:06:46 GMT
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Posted by excelav on Mon, 19 Mar 2007 18:31:40 GMT

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Posted by excelav on Mon, 19 Mar 2007 18:40:50 GMT
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Subject: Re: OK.....I've gotta' hand it to Steve Jobs
Posted by Ted Gerber on Mon, 19 Mar 2007 22:07:58 GMT
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Posted by Aaron Allen on Tue, 20 Mar 2007 00:41:02 GMT
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Subject: Re: OK.....I've gotta' hand it to Steve Jobs
Posted by Paul Braun on Tue, 20 Mar 2007 02:09:38 GMT
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On 20 Mar 2007 11:37:40 +1000, "Ab" <ab.vangoor@wanadoo.fr> wrote:

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I use it on both Windows and OSX. No crashes here.

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Subject: Re: OK.....I've gotta' hand it to Steve Jobs
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Subject: Re: OK.....I've gotta' hand it to Steve Jobs
Posted by Dedric Terry on Tue, 20 Mar 2007 04:29:44 GMT
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Umm, before we go down the road of extreme assumptions that Vista is a
bloated waste of bits and bytes (or rather for any PC users interested):

http://www.rainrecording.com/vista/performance

Scroll down for the graph. Cubase 4 was used. Pretty big jump in plugin count with Vista over XP32. Vista 64 and 32 will be the same as Cubase 4 (I believe) is still a 32-bit app.

Hard to say how reliable this report is, but no reason to doubt it. I'm not an early OS adopter, but at least this is rather encouraging. Maybe then we can put an OSX version of Cubase 4 against a Vista version and see which OS is bloated the most instead of subjectively guessing. ;-)

Not exactly what I call requiring 8 cores just to open. :-)

BTW - I had iTunes running on one PC today playing some Elgar and Win Media Player 11 on the laptop with some Dvorak - one screen on each side. They cancelled each other out to absolute silence. Cool. Dvorak and Elgar weren't too happy about it though.

Dedric

For instance:

On 3/19/07 8:13 PM, in article ukguv2t01241qgi51tafnlolgvtruo816d@4ax.com, "Paul Braun" <cygnus_nospam@ctgonline.org> wrote:

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You noticed that? I'm just glad somebody else said it;)

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Posted by TCB on Tue, 20 Mar 2007 18:38:10 GMT
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Posted by Tony Benson on Tue, 20 Mar 2007 20:57:11 GMT
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So here we go again. Steve Jobs is the bad guy??? He went and beat up the poor record companies and made them open up their libraries to Apple. Is

that the way it was? I can't believe that some people will stand right in front of the truth and deny it.

The record companies have been pushing such crap music for the last 15 years that they were in trouble. With the advent of MP3s and the increased use of personal computers, the record companies could no longer maintain control of their music. With P2P file sharing, and the huge salaries they were paying the pimps to run the record companies, and the crap artists they signed, they were losing revenue.

Steve Jobs came to them with a good BUSINESS MODEL/PLAN! It was a great deal for the record companies. Apple pays them on average, $0.85 per song! Apple had to set up the whole infrastructure and maintain the system out of pocket. Many of the songs are remastered, and Apple has the task of encoding all of the songs.

The reason the record companies signed with Apple is not because Steve Jobs brow beat them. They signed because it was a good deal and because they were on their asses! Record companies were mismanaged and were going out of business, and were being restructured at that time.

Steve Jobs business plan worked, and has help save the record industry. In order to get them to go for the plan, Apple had to agree to limit the number of copies a user can have on a number of machines. It is a reasonable number of copies! I believe it six. Unlike MS/Rapsody, where as soon as you stop paying MS, the music stops being playable. At least you get to keep what you buy with iTunes, unlike MS's DRM bullshit!.

The record companies are doing fine now, and now the greedy bastards want more. They are trying to force Apple to raise prices. Jobs would like to see them relax and open the market up more by dropping the DRM. The Pay to play model sucks for consumers. It's MS's pay to play DRM that Apple is fighting against. Yet you blame Apple, and accuse them of the pay of play model.

Look at the record companies and the lock they have on music distribution and Air play. Apple has tried to help artist and independent record labels to get their product out there to the public. Apple has given the public a place to buy music, a lot of music at a reasonable price. Apple doesn't force you to buy the whole record to get one good song.

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MS, look at the things they've done. They have stolen from Apple, netscape, Sun, the list goes on, and the list is long. Look at how much they have taken. They steal, then they turn around and prosecute people that copy their software, when much of it was stolen by them. How many times have you heard of Apple having people prosecuted?

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>>>>>>>>>>Lastly, Steve Jobs is a billionaire executive in charge of a
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>>>>>>>>>>That's his job. He doesn't care about you or me or small record
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>>>>>>>>>Yes of course Apple is in business to make money. However, if what
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>>>>>>>>are
>>>>>>>>>saying is so true, then why did he open up iTunes music store to
>>>>>>>>>artists,
>>>>>>>>>and independent record labels? Why take up time and space
>>>>>>>>>featuring
>>>>> and
>>>>>>>>>spotlighting unsigned artists. I think he is trying to help the
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>>>>>>>>>little
>>>>>>>>guy
>>>>>>>>>out. How much money and effort have the major labels and MS put
> out
>>>>> and
>>>>>>>>>done to help the little guy?
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>>>>>>>>Why does he do those things? To convince as many people as he can
> that
>>>>>>he's
>>>>>>>>something other than the stinking rich greedy CEO that he is.
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>>>>>>>That one dollar a year CEO salary sure is greedy. I guess you'll say
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>>>>>>>that
>>>>>>>his salary is just for appearances. So how many CEOs take one dollar
>>> a
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>>>>>>>for their salary? How about taking one dollar for ten years? I'd
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>>>>>>>>>>>Apple.
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>>>>>>>>>>>right
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>>>>>>>>>>>front of the truth and deny it.
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>>>>>>>>>>>The record companies have been pushing such crap music for the
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>>>>> were
>>>>>>>>>>paying
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>>>>>>>>>>>signed,
>>>>>>>>>>>they were losing revenue.
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>>>>>>>>>>>Steve Jobs came to them with a good BUSINESS MODEL/PLAN! It was
>>> a
>>>>> great
>>>>>>>>>>>deal for the record companies. Apple pays them on average, $0.85
>>> per
>>>>>>>>>song!
>>>>>>>>>>> Apple had to set up the whole infrastructure and maintain the
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>>>>>>>>>>> system
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>>>>>>>>>>>Steve Jobs business plan worked, and has help save the record
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>>>>>>>want
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>>>>>>>>>>> keep what you buy with iTunes, unlike MS's DRM bullshit!.
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>>>>>>>>>>> more. They are trying to force Apple to raise prices. Jobs
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>>>>>>>>>> to
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>>>>>>> Pay
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>>>>>>>>>>> is fighting against. Yet you blame Apple, and accuse them of
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>>>>>>>>> of
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>>>>>>>>>>> and Air play. Apple has tried to help artist and independent
>>>>>>>>>>> record
>>>>>>> labels
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>>>>>>>>>>> the
>>>>> public
>>>>>>>>>>> a place to buy music, a lot of music at a reasonable price.
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>>>>>>>>>>> force you to buy the whole record to get one good song.
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>>>>>>>>>>> musicians out of their fair share. They are trying to squeeze
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>>>>>>>>>>> they and their greasy lawyers can. Look at how many people the
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>>>>>>>>> companies
>>>>>>>>>>> and the RIAA have sued! They have their lobby group the RIAA
>>>>>>>>>>> which
>>>>>> is
>>>>>>>>> a
>>>>>>>>>>> gang of thug lawyers that pushes everybody around. Impoverished

>>> kids
>>>>>>>> and
>>>>>>>>>>> single moms! They don't care, pay up or else! Slime!
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>>>>>>>>>>> MS, look at the things they've done. They have stolen from
>>>>>>>>>>> Apple,
>>>>> netscape,
>>>>>>>>>>> Sun, the list goes on, and the list is long. Look at how much
>>>>>>>>>>> they
>>>>>>> have
>>>>>>>>>>> taken. They steal, then they turn around and prosecute people
>>>>>>>>>>> that
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>>>>>>>>>>> their software, when much of it was stolen by them. How many
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>>>>>>>>>>> Jobs that wants to take your freedoms away, not Gates and his
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>>>>>>>>>>>> in a format that treats me like I'm a criminal. My secondary
>>>>>>>>>>>> take
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>>>>>>>>>>> is
>>>>>>>>>>>> that Esteban Jobs is wicked smart and managed to brow beat the
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>>>>>>>> labels
>>>>>>>>>>>> into using his store precisely because of the DRM it had. Now
>>>>>>>>>>>> that
>>>>>> he's
>>>>>>>>>>> cornered
>>>>>>>>>>>> the market he's campaigning for the removal of the DRM because,

>>>>>>>>>>>> surprise,
>>>>>>>>>>>> customers don't like it.
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>>>>>>>>>>>> I'm also quite sure that some day in the not too distant future
>>> when
>>>>>>>> you
>>>>>>>>>>>> buy a car you'll have to sign and EULA that says, 'This 'motor
>>>>>>>>>>>> vehicle'
>>>>>>>>>>> is
>>>>>>>>>>>> licensed, not sold, to you . . .'
>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>> BTW I'm putting my money where my mouth is on this one. I'm
>>>>>>>>>>>> trying
>>>>>> to
>>>>>>>>> convince
>>>>>>>>>>>> the Mold Monkies to release our upcoming second CD as both .ogg
>>> and
>>>>>>> flac
>>>>>>>>>>>> files into the file sharing universe. I'm hoping to include a
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>>>>>> pointing
>>>>>>>>>>>> people to our web site and saying only that if they like our
>>>>>>>>>>>> music
>>>>>> it
>>>>>>>>> would
>>>>>>>>>>>> be really cool if they would buy a sticker or a T-Shirt or pick
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>>>>>>>>> bar
>>>>>>>>>>>> tab some night. I haven't completely convinced the guys, I
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>>>>>>>>>>>> closer.
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>>>>>>>>>>>>> What's your take on the idea that DRM is being foisted on all
>>>>>>>>>>>>> online
>>>>>>>>> stores
>>>>>>>>>>>>> by the
>>>>>>>>>>>>> respective rights holders/publishers?
>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>> FLAC is very good. If anyone's on Mac, Amadeus will play FLAC
>>>>>>>>>>>>> files...

>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>> Ted
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>>>>>>>>>>>>> "TCB" <nobody@ishere.com> wrote:
>>>>>>>>>>>>>> Other than the DRM and the fact that you're locked into their
>>>>>>>>>>>>>> hardware,
>>>>>>>>>>>>> it's
>>>>>>>>>>>>>> not bad. Which is kind of like the famous, 'Other than, Mrs.
>>>>>>>>>>>>>> Lincoln,
>>>>>>>>>>>> how
>>>>>>>>>>>>>> was the show?'
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>> For higher quality audio, check out FLAC.
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>> TCB
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>> "DJ" <www.aarrrrggghhh!!!.com> wrote:
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> OK, so I'm an (admittedly) old curmudgeon and only listen to
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> audio files when I absolutely have to and I especially go
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>>>>>>> my
>>>>>>>>>> way
>>>>>>>>>>>>>> to
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> avoid having anything to do with Mac related stuff as a
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> matter
>>>>> of
>>>>>>>> principle,
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> but Amy likes Apple and so I loaded ITunes on her new PC and
>>> I've
>>>>>>>> been
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> playing around with it. Yeah, I know.....I'm only 5
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> years
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> behind
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> everyone else here, but anyway, all I can say is that I
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> *really*
>>>>>>> like
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> ITunes. I can't find anything I don't like about it. If I
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> were
>>>>> going
>>>>>>>>>>> to
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> design something like this, I couldn't do it any better (now
>>> hows
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Posted by Neil on Fri, 23 Mar 2007 21:54:57 GMT
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Or better stated: Most charites are nothing but thinly-veiled
corporations that don't have to pay taxes.

:)

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James - now you are making it personal. You haven't gotten a single thing
I've said here.
I said over and over again that it's just a silly computer regardless of who
makes it.
Hardly of significance in the grand scheme.

And since you are choosing to throw my faith back in my face and slander me
personally
as a means to support your argument then this conversation is over.

Btw - I've spent a lot of time volunteering for Habitat in 4 different
states, have a close relative that works for them,
and have met and heard Millard Fuller speak in person (the founder).

"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote in message
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> "Dedric Terry" <dedric@echomg.com> wrote:

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>>Like I said, I'm not stating an opinion either way about either company.
>>You are the only one with the vehement and somewhat unnervingly biased
>>opinions here.
>>
>>Good luck with that. Nothing personal.
>
> It sounded like you were saying by nature all businesses are greedy. Thad
> was saying that SJ is greedy. He also stated it's because iTunes is
> closed
> and Apple has tied iTunes to their hardware. It's true that it is tied to
> their hardware MP3 players, that's just smart business for them, and it is
> because of the deals they made with the record companies. I don't think
> they had much of a choice.
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> Apple did however open itunes up to WinBlows! Apple doesn't keep you from
> add non Apple purchased MP3 to their iPod. They make a Windows version of
> the iPod, and they don't charge any more for it. Jobs would like to drop
> all DRM, and open up the market to third party MP3 players. He's knocked
> for that here also. Why should SJ ever open it up to third party MP3
> players?
> Did MS open up VMs in all their version of Vista? No! Why not?
>
> This post was DJ he was saying that he didn't find any thing wrong with
> iTunes.
> I think he expected it to be a "KLUG". I posted back to tell him about
> some cool features and some ways I've used it. but it wasn't long before
> someone posted, WINDOWS! WINDOWS! WINDOWS! Windows Media Player is good
> too! Ok! Where did MS get the ideas for the features, the interface, the
> look and even down the Aqua note with the CD? They copied it from
> Apple!!!!!!!!!
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> So then it went to Thad knocking Apple, iTunes, Steve Jobs for their DRM
> and being greedy. Not cool! Apple's DRM isn't really DRM. I drag files
> on to my non Apple MP3 player all the time with no problems and no
> restrictions.
> Just compare that to Microsoft's DRM! Look at all the big brother shit
> MS has going on in their software. They steal from others and then
> prosecute
> others for copying their software. Yes software Nazis! Maybe your cool
> with this kind of unethical business practice, where did you say your
> from?
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> Apple and crusade? No, just standing up to the lies and the bashing. By
> the way, there are some Mac users here. Since you bring up crusades, who
> is on a crusade? Aren't you the big Christian? Your posts aren't so
> Christian
> like!!!!! Maybe you should think about things. You've even said you
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> to screw with me. So have fun with your taunting posts.
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Subject: Re: OK.....I've gotta' hand it to Steve Jobs
Posted by excelav on Fri, 23 Mar 2007 23:08:04 GMT
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"Dedric Terry" <dedric@echomg.com> wrote:
>James -
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>#1 - I never said anyone in particular was greedy, nor am I looking to call

>anyone greedy. You are arguing your ideals with anyone
>that post in any Mac related thread and putting words in other posters posts

>to continue your Apple crusade. It's getting really, really old.
>

>#2 - If you mistakenly and sadly think that Habitat for Humanity and other

>charity organizations are communist
>idealistic principles, and can't distinquish between corporate and
>altruistic motivations, then obviously you have other issues.
>
>Like I said, I'm not stating an opinion either way about either company.
>You are the only one with the vehement and somewhat unnervingly biased
>opinions here.
>
>Good luck with that. Nothing personal.

It sounded like you were saying by nature all businesses are greedy. Thad
was saying that SJ is greedy. He also stated it's because iTunes is closed
and Apple has tied iTunes to their hardware. It's true that it is tied to
their hardware MP3 players, that's just smart business for them, and it is
because of the deals they made with the record companies. I don't think
they had much of a choice.

Apple did however open itunes up to WinBlows! Apple doesn't keep you from
add non Apple purchased MP3 to their iPod. They make a Windows version of
the iPod, and they don't charge any more for it. Jobs would like to drop
all DRM, and open up the market to third party MP3 players. He's knocked
for that here also. Why should SJ ever open it up to third party MP3 players?
 Did MS open up VMs in all their version of Vista? No! Why not?

This post was DJ he was saying that he didn't find any thing wrong with iTunes.
 I think he expected it to be a "KLUG". I posted back to tell him about
some cool features and some ways I've used it. but it wasn't long before
someone posted, WINDOWS! WINDOWS! WINDOWS! Windows Media Player is good
too! Ok! Where did MS get the ideas for the features, the interface, the
look and even down the Aqua note with the CD? They copied it from Apple!!!!!!!!!

So then it went to Thad knocking Apple, iTunes, Steve Jobs for their DRM
and being greedy. Not cool! Apple's DRM isn't really DRM. I drag files
on to my non Apple MP3 player all the time with no problems and no restrictions.
 Just compare that to Microsoft's DRM! Look at all the big brother shit
MS has going on in their software. They steal from others and then prosecute
others for copying their software. Yes software Nazis! Maybe your cool
with this kind of unethical business practice, where did you say your from?

Apple and crusade? No, just standing up to the lies and the bashing. By
the way, there are some Mac users here. Since you bring up crusades, who
is on a crusade? Aren't you the big Christian? Your posts aren't so Christian
like!!!!! Maybe you should think about things. You've even said you posting
to screw with me. So have fun with your taunting posts.

I never said Habitat for Humanity or any other charities are communist.

It sounded like you were saying all businesses are greedy, and that statement sounds like communist idealism. So how many days have you volunteered for Habitat for Humanity?

Nothing personal? Come on dude, it's getting totally personal!

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>"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote in message
>news:46043054$1@linux...
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>> "Dedric Terry" <dedric@echomg.com> wrote:
>>>Wow. Pretty strong accusations, assumptions and convenient speculation
>>
>>>there James.
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>> First it was said in effect that Steve Jobs is a bad guy and greedy.
I
>> totally
>> disagree. you should really look at Gates and Balmer, if you want to

>> call
>> people greedy.
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>>>I'm not defending either MS or Apple, but I think it's quite narrow minded
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>>>to make
>>>Apple out to be shining star of the corporate world just because you
>>>choose
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>>>to believe that's the case.
>>>In fact, it's kind of sad you hold Apple in such high regard and think
MS
>> is
>>>basically the spawn of Satan.
>>>A little balance might be the wiser approach.
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>>>In my opinion, if an organization isn't dedicating 100% of it's resources
>> to
>>>fighting hunger,
>>>helping the poor, or building homes for low income families (Habitat for
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>>>Humanity), it's
>>>motivated by one thing - profit. Call it greed, call it business, it's
>> all
>>>the same.
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>> Sounds like communist idealism! So all enterprise and businesses are

>> greedy?
>> Would that also apply to individuals?
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>>>Remember, it's just a company building a product to sell and make a
>>>profit...
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>>>Hope the Apple flavored kool-aid tastes good where you live.
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>> No Kool-Aid here.
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>>>> their
>>>> software. They steal from other companies. They rip off Apple on a
>>>> regular
>>>> basis. They have copied Mac OSX look and feel. They have stomped on
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>>>> forced other companies out of business. They prosecute people for
>>>> copying
>>>> the software they stole from others. That's greed!
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>>>>>this time - $1 salary
>>>>>in exchange for stock options, etc worth much more. The $1 salary is
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>>>>>there so he is listed
>>>>>as an employee rather than volunteer. I seriously doubt there was any
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>>>>>other
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>>>>>reason
>>>>>than the pure legality and financial advantages to him and the company.
>>>> I
>>>>>seriously doubt his salary
>>>>>would impact the company's bottom line enough to be an act of charity.
>>>> And
>>>>>though it could
>>>>>be a publicity stunt, that seems less than likely as well.
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>>>>>Comparing salaries isn't a way to evaluate greed or charity.
>>>>>Gates and others have contributed a lot to education and other charities
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>>>>>don't know about SJ.
>>>>>I'm not impressed by extreme wealth, but even so, I think it's a bit
>>>>>difficult to judge either Bill or Steve's
>>>>>motivations from a sizable distance.
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>>>>>There are just too many examples of excessive salaries, stock options
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>>>>>> I don't believe he has exercised his options yet. The company also
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>>>>>> and
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>>>>>>>>>>Why does he do those things? To convince as many people as he can
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>>>>>>>>>>something other than the stinking rich greedy CEO that he is.
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>>>>>>>>>That one dollar a year CEO salary sure is greedy. I guess you'll
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>>>>>>>>>that
>>>>>>>>>his salary is just for appearances. So how many CEOs take one dollar
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>>>>>>>>>>>>Steve Jobs came to them with a good BUSINESS MODEL/PLAN! It
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>playing around with it. Yeah, I know.....I'm only 5 years
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Subject: Re: OK.....I've gotta' hand it to Steve Jobs
Posted by Jamie K on Fri, 23 Mar 2007 23:50:18 GMT
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Dedric Terry wrote:
> All I was trying to do was suggest a more balanced perspective.
>

> When I think of altruistic organizations serving the betterment of mankind,
> Apple and Microsoft don't even come to mind. They don't just fail to come
> to
> mind 1st or second...they just don't come to mind.

Well, I'm not claiming that ANY business is more altruistic than not. I don't think that's really the issue. Corporations have a fiduciary responsibility to make money for the stockholders.

However, some businesses are more visionary than others, and that distinction is important to me. Even when it's not nearly on the level of the best charitable organizations.

How our culture develops is important, and many businesses are involved in that. Some do better than others. In this case, Apple gets my vote big time over Microsoft. So I will agree with some of Jame's points on that one (with no hyperbole from me, just observing what they've accomplished, for example with the record companies and with electronic distribution of independent music).

Which doesn't mean I won't criticize Apple when they screw up, which they do from time to time (I can give you examples).

And just because I respect many of Apple's accomplishments of late, doesn't mean I will blindly buy every toy from Apple if I don't think I need it. For example, I don't own an iPod. But I do use iTunes.

> Arguing the humanitarian value of large corporations whose product is at
> best a
> luxury item for most of the world is a bit like arguing that it doesn't rain
> enough
> on the sun and Mercury is to blame. ;-)

See, I'm not going that far. That's really getting into straw man territory.

Long week this week? I dunno about you, but I'm really glad to see the weekend, and no gigs for once. That means I get to relax (er, clean the garage, dang!).

Cheers,
  -Jamie
  www.JamieKrutz.com

> Also, in my not so humble opinion.
>

> Dedric
>
> "Jamie K" <Meta@Dimensional.com> wrote in message news:46044328@linux...
>> Apple is not perfect. But on balance, over the last five years or so,
>> Apple is way ahead of MS on innovation, ethics and vision. It's not even
>> close. Go back farther and they both lose points.
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>> IMNSHO...
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>>> there James.
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>>> helping the poor, or building homes for low income families (Habitat for
>>> Humanity), it's
>>> motivated by one thing - profit. Call it greed, call it business, it's
>>> all the same.
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>>> profit...
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>>>>> in exchange for stock options, etc worth much more. The $1 salary is
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>>>>> personal wealth in many
>>>>> industries to point fingers in any one direction.
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>>>>>>> half

>>>>>> a
>>>>>>> billion.
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>>>>>>> http://www.appleinsider.com/article.php?id=1590
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>>>>>>> TCB
>>>>>> I don't believe he has exercised his options yet. The company also
>>>>>> bought
>>>>>> a 45 million dollar gulf stream for him to use for business. He
>>>>>> doesn't
>>>>>> own the jet the company does. What did Gates and Balmer make last
>>>>>> year?
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>>>>>> format
>>>>>>>>>>> that restricts my freedoms. Not MSoft, not Apple, not anyone.
>>>>>>>>>>> Trust
>>>>>> me,
>>>>>>>>>> I
>>>>>>>>>>> despise Microsoft a great deal more than you do, because I have
>>>>>>>>>>> to
>>>>>>>>>>> deal
>>>>>>>>>> with
>>>>>>>>>>> their hideous, bloated software all the time.
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>>>>>>>>>>> Lastly, Steve Jobs is a billionaire executive in charge of a
>>>>>>>>>>> corporation
>>>>>>>>>>> with an $80 billion market cap. He's is specifically tasked with
>>>>>>>>>>> making
>>>>>>>>>> as
>>>>>>>>>>> much money for Apple shareholders as he can, in other words to be
>>>>>>>>>>> greedy.
>>>>>>>>>>> That's his job. He doesn't care about you or me or small record
>>>>>>>>>>> labels
>>>>>>>>>> or
>>>>>>>>>>> artists one bit more than Steve Ballmer does.
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>>>>>>>>>>> TCB
>>>>>>>>>> Yes of course Apple is in business to make money. However, if
>>>>>>>>>> what

>>>> you
>>>>>>>>> are
>>>>>>>>>> saying is so true, then why did he open up iTunes music store to
>>>>>>>>>> artists,
>>>>>>>>>> and independent record labels? Why take up time and space
>>>>>>>>>> featuring
>>>>>> and
>>>>>>>>>> spotlighting unsigned artists. I think he is trying to help the
>>>>>>>>>> little
>>>>>>>>> guy
>>>>>>>>>> out. How much money and effort have the major labels and MS put
>>>>>>>>>> out
>>>>>> and
>>>>>>>>>> done to help the little guy?
>>>>>>>>> Why does he do those things? To convince as many people as he can
>>>>>>>>> that
>>>>>>> he's
>>>>>>>>> something other than the stinking rich greedy CEO that he is.
>>>>>>>> That one dollar a year CEO salary sure is greedy. I guess you'll
>>>>>>>> say
>>>>>>>> that
>>>>>>>> his salary is just for appearances. So how many CEOs take one
>>>>>>>> dollar
>>>> a
>>>>>>> year
>>>>>>>> for their salary? How about taking one dollar for ten years? I'd
>>>>>>>> like
>>>>>>> to
>>>>>>>> have seen Gates take one dollar a year for ten years. I guess it
>>>>>>>> will
>>>>>> always
>>>>>>>> be some kind of wrong reasoning and a jab.
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>>>>>>>>>> Give the guy a little credit.
>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>> "James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:
>>>>>>>>>>>> So here we go again. Steve Jobs is the bad guy??? He went and
>>>>>>>>>>>> beat
>>>>>>>> up
>>>>>>>>>>> the
>>>>>>>>>>>> poor record companies and made them open up their libraries to
>>>>>>>>>>>> Apple.
>>>>>>>>>> Is
>>>>>>>>>>>> that the way it was? I can't believe that some people will
>>>>>>>>>>>> stand
>>>>>>>>>>>> right
>>>>>>>>>>> in
>>>>>>>>>>>> front of the truth and deny it.

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>>>>>>>>>>>> The record companies have been pushing such crap music for the
>>>>>>>>>>>> last
>>>>>>> 15
>>>>>>>>>> years
>>>>>>>>>>>> that they were in trouble. With the advent of MP3s and the
>>>>>>>>>>>> increased
>>>>>>>>> use
>>>>>>>>>>>> of personal computers, the record companies could no longer
>>>>>>>>>>>> maintain
>>>>>>>> control
>>>>>>>>>>>> of their music. With P2P file sharing, and the huge salaries
>>>>>>>>>>>> they
>>>>>> were
>>>>>>>>>> paying
>>>>>>>>>>>> the pimps to run the record companies, and the crap artists they
>>>>>>>>>>>> signed,
>>>>>>>>>>>> they were losing revenue.
>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>> Steve Jobs came to them with a good BUSINESS MODEL/PLAN! It was
>>>> a
>>>>>> great
>>>>>>>>>>>> deal for the record companies. Apple pays them on average,
>>>>>>>>>>>> $0.85
>>>> per
>>>>>>>>> song!
>>>>>>>>>>>> Apple had to set up the whole infrastructure and maintain the
>>>>>>>>>>>> system
>>>>>>>>> out
>>>>>>>>>>>> of pocket. Many of the songs are remastered, and Apple has the
>>>>>>>>>>>> task
>>>>>>>> of
>>>>>>>>>> encoding
>>>>>>>>>>>> all of the songs.
>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>> The reason the record companies signed with Apple is not because
>>>>>>>>>>>> Steve
>>>>>>>>> Jobs
>>>>>>>>>>>> brow beat them. They signed because it was a good deal and
>>>>>>>>>>>> because
>>>>>>> they
>>>>>>>>>>>> were on their asses! Record companies were mismanaged and were
>>>>>>>>>>>> going
>>>>>>>>> out
>>>>>>>>>>>> of business, and were being restructured at that time.
>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>> Steve Jobs business plan worked, and has help save the record
>>>>>>>>>>>> industry.

>>>>>>>>>>>> In order to get them to go for the plan, Apple had to agree to
>>>>>>>>>>>> limit
>>>>>>>> the
>>>>>>>>>>>> number of copies a user can have on a number of machines. It is
>>>> a
>>>>>> reasonable
>>>>>>>>>>>> number of copies! I believe it six. Unlike MS/Rapsody, where
>>>>>>>>>>>> as
>>>>>>>>>>>> soon
>>>>>>>>>> as
>>>>>>>>>>>> you stop paying MS, the music stops being playable. At least
>>>>>>>>>>>> you
>>>> get
>>>>>>>>> to
>>>>>>>>>>>> keep what you buy with iTunes, unlike MS's DRM bullshit!.
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>>>>>>>>>>>> The record companies are doing fine now, and now the greedy
>>>>>>>>>>>> bastards
>>>>>>>> want
>>>>>>>>>>>> more. They are trying to force Apple to raise prices. Jobs
>>>>>>>>>>>> would
>>>>>> like
>>>>>>>>>>> to
>>>>>>>>>>>> see them relax and open the market up more by dropping the DRM.
>>>> The
>>>>>>>> Pay
>>>>>>>>>>>> to play model sucks for consumers. It's MS's pay to play DRM
>>>>>>>>>>>> that
>>>>>> Apple
>>>>>>>>>>>> is fighting against. Yet you blame Apple, and accuse them of
>>>>>>>>>>>> the
>>>>>> pay
>>>>>>>>>> of
>>>>>>>>>>>> play model.
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>>>>>>>>>>>> Look at the record companies and the lock they have on music
>>>>>>>>>>>> distribution
>>>>>>>>>>>> and Air play. Apple has tried to help artist and independent
>>>>>>>>>>>> record
>>>>>>>> labels
>>>>>>>>>>>> to get their product out there to the public. Apple has given
>>>>>>>>>>>> the
>>>>>> public
>>>>>>>>>>>> a place to buy music, a lot of music at a reasonable price.
>>>>>>>>>>>> Apple
>>>>>> doesn't
>>>>>>>>>>>> force you to buy the whole record to get one good song.
>>>>>>>>>>>>

>>>>>>>>>>>> The greedy entitled record companies have tried to screw the
>>>>>>>>>>>> artists
>>>>>>>> and
>>>>>>>>>>>> musicians out of their fair share. They are trying to squeeze
>>>>>>>>>>>> everybody
>>>>>>>>>>>> they and their greasy lawyers can. Look at how many people the
>>>>>>>>>>>> record
>>>>>>>>>> companies
>>>>>>>>>>>> and the RIAA have sued! They have their lobby group the RIAA
>>>>>>>>>>>> which
>>>>>>> is
>>>>>>>>>> a
>>>>>>>>>>>> gang of thug lawyers that pushes everybody around. Impoverished
>>>> kids
>>>>>>>>> and
>>>>>>>>>>>> single moms! They don't care, pay up or else! Slime!
>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>> MS, look at the things they've done. They have stolen from
>>>>>>>>>>>> Apple,
>>>>>> netscape,
>>>>>>>>>>>> Sun, the list goes on, and the list is long. Look at how much
>>>>>>>>>>>> they
>>>>>>>> have
>>>>>>>>>>>> taken. They steal, then they turn around and prosecute people
>>>>>>>>>>>> that
>>>>>>> copy
>>>>>>>>>>>> their software, when much of it was stolen by them. How many
>>>>>>>>>>>> times
>>>>>>> have
>>>>>>>>>>>> you heard of Apple having people prosecuted?
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>>>>>>>>>>>> Yep, it's Apple that is evil, and it's Steve Jobs that is the
>>>>>>>>>>>> bad
>>>>>>>>>>>> guy.
>>>>>>>>>> It's
>>>>>>>>>>>> Jobs that wants to take your freedoms away, not Gates and his
>>>>>>>>>>>> Pay
>>>> to
>>>>>>>> Play
>>>>>>>>>>>> model.
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>>>>>>>>>>>> Get a clue!
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>>>>>>>>>>>> "TCB" <nobody@ishere.com> wrote:
>>>>>>>>>>>>> Well, my main take on it is that I don't care, I simply will
>>>>>>>>>>>>> not
>>>> buy
>>>>>>>> things

>>>>>>>>>>>>> in a format that treats me like I'm a criminal. My secondary
>>>>>>>>>>>>> take
>>>>>> on
>>>>>>>>> it
>>>>>>>>>>>>> is
>>>>>>>>>>>>> that Esteban Jobs is wicked smart and managed to brow beat the
>>>>>>>>>>>>> record
>>>>>>>>>>> labels
>>>>>>>>>>>>> into using his store precisely because of the DRM it had. Now
>>>>>>>>>>>>> that
>>>>>>> he's
>>>>>>>>>>>>> cornered
>>>>>>>>>>>>> the market he's campaigning for the removal of the DRM because,
>>>>>>>>>>>>> surprise,
>>>>>>>>>>>>> customers don't like it.
>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>> I'm also quite sure that some day in the not too distant future
>>>> when
>>>>>>>>> you
>>>>>>>>>>>>> buy a car you'll have to sign and EULA that says, 'This 'motor
>>>>>>>>>>>>> vehicle'
>>>>>>>>>>>>> is
>>>>>>>>>>>>> licensed, not sold, to you . . .'
>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>> BTW I'm putting my money where my mouth is on this one. I'm
>>>>>>>>>>>>> trying
>>>>>>> to
>>>>>>>>>>> convince
>>>>>>>>>>>>> the Mold Monkies to release our upcoming second CD as both .ogg
>>>> and
>>>>>>>> flac
>>>>>>>>>>>>> files into the file sharing universe. I'm hoping to include a
>>>>>>>>>>>>> note
>>>>>>> pointing
>>>>>>>>>>>>> people to our web site and saying only that if they like our
>>>>>>>>>>>>> music
>>>>>>> it
>>>>>>>>>>> would
>>>>>>>>>>>>> be really cool if they would buy a sticker or a T-Shirt or pick
>>>> up
>>>>>>> my
>>>>>>>>>>> bar
>>>>>>>>>>>>> tab some night. I haven't completely convinced the guys, I
>>>>>>>>>>>>> don't
>>>>>>>>>>>>> write
>>>>>>>>>>> songs
>>>>>>>>>>>>> for this band so it's their copyright not mine, but I'm getting
>>>>>>>>>>>>> closer.

>>>>>>>>>>>>> TCB
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>>>>>>>>>>>>> "Ted Gerber" <tedgerber@rogers.com> wrote:
>>>>>>>>>>>>>> Thad-
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>> What's your take on the idea that DRM is being foisted on all
>>>>>>>>>>>>>> online
>>>>>>>>>> stores
>>>>>>>>>>>>>> by the
>>>>>>>>>>>>>> respective rights holders/publishers?
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>> FLAC is very good. If anyone's on Mac, Amadeus will play FLAC
>>>>>>>>>>>>>> files...
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>> Ted
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>> "TCB" <nobody@ishere.com> wrote:
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> Other than the DRM and the fact that you're locked into their
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> hardware,
>>>>>>>>>>>>>> it's
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> not bad. Which is kind of like the famous, 'Other than, Mrs.
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> Lincoln,
>>>>>>>>>>>> how
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> was the show?'
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> For higher quality audio, check out FLAC.
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> TCB
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> "DJ" <www.aarrrrggghhh!!!.com> wrote:
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> OK, so I'm an (admittedly) old curmudgeon and only listen to
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> compressed
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> audio files when I absolutely have to and I especially go
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> out
>>>> of
>>>>>>>> my
>>>>>>>>>>>> way
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> to
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> avoid having anything to do with Mac related stuff as a
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Subject: Re: OK.....I've gotta' hand it to Steve Jobs
Posted by DC on Sat, 24 Mar 2007 00:14:16 GMT
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I've got the solution mates...

Hate 'em all... They are all pieces of consumer crap never intended
for production, and are a curse upon the world...

heh

Hey, where'd my Studer go??

DC

Subject: Re: OK.....I've gotta' hand it to Steve Jobs
Posted by excelav on Sat, 24 Mar 2007 00:25:35 GMT
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If you could careless, then why are do you keep posting? Oh yeah, you already
answered this, it's because you want to screw with me. Your free to do what
you want, but you should think about your posts.

First this wasn't a conversation, this was a Mac bashing, again! This post
started out nice, it's not so nice anymore! Slander you? I don't think
so! So are you now threatening me? Your the one that's making this personal.

Go back and read all your posts!

I'm glad you have volunteered for Habitat for Humanity, that's a good thing.

"Dedric Terry" <dedric@echomg.com> wrote:
>James - now you are making it personal. You haven't gotten a single thing

>I've said here.
>I said over and over again that it's just a silly computer regardless of
who
>makes it.
>Hardly of significance in the grand scheme.
>
>And since you are choosing to throw my faith back in my face and slander
me
>personally
>as a means to support your argument then this conversation is over.
>
>Btw - I've spent a lot of time volunteering for Habitat in 4 different
>states, have a close relative that works for them,
>and have met and heard Millard Fuller speak in person (the founder).
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>> "Dedric Terry" <dedric@echomg.com> wrote:
>>>James -
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>>>#1 - I never said anyone in particular was greedy, nor am I looking to

>>>call
>>
>>>anyone greedy. You are arguing your ideals with anyone
>>>that post in any Mac related thread and putting words in other posters

>>>posts
>>
>>>to continue your Apple crusade. It's getting really, really old.
>>>
>>>#2 - If you mistakenly and sadly think that Habitat for Humanity and other
>>
>>>charity organizations are communist
>>>idealistic principles, and can't distinquish between corporate and
>>>altruistic motivations, then obviously you have other issues.
>>>
>>>Like I said, I'm not stating an opinion either way about either company.
>>>You are the only one with the vehement and somewhat unnervingly biased

>>>opinions here.
>>>
>>>Good luck with that. Nothing personal.
>>
>> It sounded like you were saying by nature all businesses are greedy.
Thad
>> was saying that SJ is greedy. He also stated it's because iTunes is
>> closed
>> and Apple has tied iTunes to their hardware. It's true that it is tied
to
>> their hardware MP3 players, that's just smart business for them, and it
is
>> because of the deals they made with the record companies. I don't think
>> they had much of a choice.
>>
>> Apple did however open itunes up to WinBlows! Apple doesn't keep you
from
>> add non Apple purchased MP3 to their iPod. They make a Windows version
of
>> the iPod, and they don't charge any more for it. Jobs would like to drop
>> all DRM, and open up the market to third party MP3 players. He's knocked
>> for that here also. Why should SJ ever open it up to third party MP3

>> players?
>> Did MS open up VMs in all their version of Vista? No! Why not?
>>
>> This post was DJ he was saying that he didn't find any thing wrong with

>> iTunes.
>> I think he expected it to be a "KLUG". I posted back to tell him about
>> some cool features and some ways I've used it. but it wasn't long before
>> someone posted, WINDOWS! WINDOWS! WINDOWS! Windows Media Player is good
>> too! Ok! Where did MS get the ideas for the features, the interface,
the
>> look and even down the Aqua note with the CD? They copied it from
>> Apple!!!!!!!!!
>>
>> So then it went to Thad knocking Apple, iTunes, Steve Jobs for their DRM
>> and being greedy. Not cool! Apple's DRM isn't really DRM. I drag files
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>> restrictions.
>> Just compare that to Microsoft's DRM! Look at all the big brother shit
>> MS has going on in their software. They steal from others and then
>> prosecute
>> others for copying their software. Yes software Nazis! Maybe your cool
>> with this kind of unethical business practice, where did you say your

>> from?

>>
>> Apple and crusade? No, just standing up to the lies and the bashing.
 By
>> the way, there are some Mac users here. Since you bring up crusades,
who
>> is on a crusade? Aren't you the big Christian? Your posts aren't so

>> Christian
>> like!!!!! Maybe you should think about things. You've even said you

>> posting
>> to screw with me. So have fun with your taunting posts.
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>> I never said Habitat for Humanity or any other charities are communist.
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>> statement
>> sounds like communist idealism. So how many days have you volunteered
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>>>> greedy?
>>>> Would that also apply to individuals?
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>>>>>Remember, it's just a company building a product to sell and make a
>>>>>profit...
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>>>>>Hope the Apple flavored kool-aid tastes good where you live.
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>>>>>>>news:4603f6b7$1@linux...
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>>>>>>>> "TCB" <nobody@ishere.com> wrote:
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>>>>>>>>>The $1 salary is a publicity stunt. He has options worth well over
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>>>>>>>>>half
>>>>>>>> a
>>>>>>>>>billion.
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>>>>>>>>>http://www.appleinsider.com/article.php?id=1590
>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>TCB
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>>>>>>>> I don't believe he has exercised his options yet. The company also
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>>>>>>>> bought
>>>>>>>> a 45 million dollar gulf stream for him to use for business. He
>>>>>>>> doesn't
>>>>>>>> own the jet the company does. What did Gates and Balmer make last
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>>>>>>>> year?
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>>>>>>>>>"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:
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>>>>>>>>>>"TCB" <nobody@ishere.com> wrote:
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>>>>>>>>>>>"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:
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>>>>>>>>>>>>"TCB" <nobody@ishere.com> wrote:
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>Good heavens, James, did you read my post? I said I won't buy
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>>>>>>>>>>>>_any_
>>>>>>>>>>>> format
>>>>>>>>>>>>>that restricts my freedoms. Not MSoft, not Apple, not anyone.
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>Trust

>>>>>>>> me,
>>>>>>>>>>>>I
>>>>>>>>>>>>>despise Microsoft a great deal more than you do, because I have
>>>> to
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>deal
>>>>>>>>>>>>with
>>>>>>>>>>>>>their hideous, bloated software all the time.
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>Lastly, Steve Jobs is a billionaire executive in charge of a
>>>>>>>>>>>>>corporation
>>>>>>>>>>>>>with an $80 billion market cap. He's is specifically tasked
with
>>>>>>>>>>>>>making
>>>>>>>>>>>>as
>>>>>>>>>>>>>much money for Apple shareholders as he can, in other words
to
>> be
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>greedy.
>>>>>>>>>>>>>That's his job. He doesn't care about you or me or small record
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>labels
>>>>>>>>>>>or
>>>>>>>>>>>>>artists one bit more than Steve Ballmer does.
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>>>>>>>>>>>>> DebianDebianDebianDebianDebianDebianDebianDebianDebianDebian
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>TCB
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>Yes of course Apple is in business to make money. However, if
>> what
>>>>>> you
>>>>>>>>>>>are
>>>>>>>>>>>>>saying is so true, then why did he open up iTunes music store
to
>>>>>>>>>>>>>artists,
>>>>>>>>>>>>>and independent record labels? Why take up time and space
>>>>>>>>>>>>>featuring
>>>>>>>> and
>>>>>>>>>>>>>spotlighting unsigned artists. I think he is trying to help
the
>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>little
>>>>>>>>>>>>guy
>>>>>>>>>>>>>out. How much money and effort have the major labels and MS
put

>>>> out
>>>>>>>> and
>>>>>>>>>>>done to help the little guy?
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>>>>>>>>>>>Why does he do those things? To convince as many people as he
can
>>>> that
>>>>>>>>>he's
>>>>>>>>>>>something other than the stinking rich greedy CEO that he is.
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>>>>>>>>>>>That one dollar a year CEO salary sure is greedy. I guess you'll
>> say
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>>>>>>>>>>>that
>>>>>>>>>>>his salary is just for appearances. So how many CEOs take one

>>>>>>>>>>>dollar
>>>>>> a
>>>>>>>>>year
>>>>>>>>>>>for their salary? How about taking one dollar for ten years?
I'd
>>>> like
>>>>>>>>>to
>>>>>>>>>>>have seen Gates take one dollar a year for ten years. I guess
it
>>
>>>>>>>>>>>will
>>>>>>>> always
>>>>>>>>>>>be some kind of wrong reasoning and a jab.
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>>>>>>>>>>>Give the guy a little credit.
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>>>>>>>>>>>>"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>So here we go again. Steve Jobs is the bad guy??? He went
and
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>beat
>>>>>>>>>>up
>>>>>>>>>>>>the
>>>>>>>>>>>>>poor record companies and made them open up their libraries
to
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>Apple.
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>>>>>>>>>>>>Is
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>that the way it was? I can't believe that some people will

>>>>>>>>>>>>>>stand
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>right
>>>>>>>>>>>>in
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>front of the truth and deny it.
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>The record companies have been pushing such crap music for
the
>>>> last
>>>>>>>>>15
>>>>>>>>>>>>years
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>that they were in trouble. With the advent of MP3s and the
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>increased
>>>>>>>>>>>use
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>of personal computers, the record companies could no longer
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>maintain
>>>>>>>>>>control
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>of their music. With P2P file sharing, and the huge salaries
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>they
>>>>>>>> were
>>>>>>>>>>>>>paying
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>the pimps to run the record companies, and the crap artists

>>>>>>>>>>>>>>they
>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>signed,
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>they were losing revenue.
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>Steve Jobs came to them with a good BUSINESS MODEL/PLAN! It
>> was
>>>>>> a
>>>>>>>> great
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>deal for the record companies. Apple pays them on average,

>>>>>>>>>>>>>>$0.85
>>>>>> per
>>>>>>>>>>>song!
>>>>>>>>>>>>>> Apple had to set up the whole infrastructure and maintain
the
>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>> system
>>>>>>>>>>>out
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>of pocket. Many of the songs are remastered, and Apple has
the

>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>task
>>>>>>>>>>of
>>>>>>>>>>>>>encoding
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>all of the songs.
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>The reason the record companies signed with Apple is not
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>because
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>Steve
>>>>>>>>>>>>Jobs
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>brow beat them. They signed because it was a good deal and
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>because
>>>>>>>>>>they
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>were on their asses! Record companies were mismanaged and
were
>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>going
>>>>>>>>>>>out
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>of business, and were being restructured at that time.
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>Steve Jobs business plan worked, and has help save the record
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>industry.
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>In order to get them to go for the plan, Apple had to agree
to
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>limit
>>>>>>>>>>>the
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>number of copies a user can have on a number of machines.
It
>> is
>>>>>> a
>>>>>>>> reasonable
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>number of copies! I believe it six. Unlike MS/Rapsody, where
>>>> as
>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>soon
>>>>>>>>>>>>as
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>you stop paying MS, the music stops being playable. At least
>> you
>>>>>> get
>>>>>>>>>>>>to
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>keep what you buy with iTunes, unlike MS's DRM bullshit!.
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>The record companies are doing fine now, and now the greedy
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>bastards
>>>>>>>>>>>want

>>>>>>>>>>>>>>more. They are trying to force Apple to raise prices. Jobs
>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>would
>>>>>>>> like
>>>>>>>>>>>>>to
>>>>>>>>>>>>>see them relax and open the market up more by dropping the
DRM.
>>>>>> The
>>>>>>>>>>Pay
>>>>>>>>>>>>>to play model sucks for consumers. It's MS's pay to play DRM
>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>that
>>>>>>>> Apple
>>>>>>>>>>>>>is fighting against. Yet you blame Apple, and accuse them
of
>>>> the
>>>>>>>> pay
>>>>>>>>>>>>of
>>>>>>>>>>>>>play model.
>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>Look at the record companies and the lock they have on music
>>>>>>>>>>>>>distribution
>>>>>>>>>>>>>and Air play. Apple has tried to help artist and independent
>>>>>>>>>>>>>record
>>>>>>>>>>labels
>>>>>>>>>>>>>to get their product out there to the public. Apple has given
>>>> the
>>>>>>>> public
>>>>>>>>>>>>>a place to buy music, a lot of music at a reasonable price.
>>>>>>>>>>>>>Apple
>>>>>>>> doesn't
>>>>>>>>>>>>>force you to buy the whole record to get one good song.
>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>The greedy entitled record companies have tried to screw the
>>>>>>>>>>>>>artists
>>>>>>>>>>and
>>>>>>>>>>>>>musicians out of their fair share. They are trying to squeeze
>>>>>>>>>>>>>everybody
>>>>>>>>>>>>>they and their greasy lawyers can. Look at how many people
the
>>>>>>>>>>>>>record
>>>>>>>>>>>>companies
>>>>>>>>>>>>>and the RIAA have sued! They have their lobby group the RIAA
>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>which
>>>>>>>>>is
>>>>>>>>>>>>a
>>>>>>>>>>>>>gang of thug lawyers that pushes everybody around.

>>>>>>>>>>>>>>Impoverished
>>>>>> kids
>>>>>>>>>>>and
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>single moms! They don't care, pay up or else! Slime!
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>MS, look at the things they've done. They have stolen from
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>Apple,
>>>>>>>> netscape,
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>Sun, the list goes on, and the list is long. Look at how
much
>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>they
>>>>>>>>>>have
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>taken. They steal, then they turn around and prosecute people
>>>> that
>>>>>>>>>copy
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>their software, when much of it was stolen by them. How many
>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>times
>>>>>>>>>have
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>you heard of Apple having people prosecuted?
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>Yep, it's Apple that is evil, and it's Steve Jobs that is the
>> bad
>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>guy.
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>It's
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>Jobs that wants to take your freedoms away, not Gates and his
>> Pay
>>>>>> to
>>>>>>>>>>Play
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>model.
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>Get a clue!
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>"TCB" <nobody@ishere.com> wrote:
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>Well, my main take on it is that I don't care, I simply will
>> not
>>>>>> buy
>>>>>>>>>>>things
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>in a format that treats me like I'm a criminal. My secondary
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>take
>>>>>>>> on
>>>>>>>>>>>it
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>is

>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>that Esteban Jobs is wicked smart and managed to brow beat
the
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>record
>>>>>>>>>>>>>labels
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>into using his store precisely because of the DRM it had.
Now
>>>> that
>>>>>>>>>>he's
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>cornered
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>the market he's campaigning for the removal of the DRM
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>because,
>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>surprise,
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>customers don't like it.
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>I'm also quite sure that some day in the not too distant
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>future
>>>>>> when
>>>>>>>>>>>>you
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>buy a car you'll have to sign and EULA that says, 'This 'motor
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>vehicle'
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>is
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>licensed, not sold, to you . . .'
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>BTW I'm putting my money where my mouth is on this one. I'm
>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>trying
>>>>>>>>>>to
>>>>>>>>>>>>>convince
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>the Mold Monkies to release our upcoming second CD as both

>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>.ogg
>>>>>> and
>>>>>>>>>>>flac
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>files into the file sharing universe. I'm hoping to include
>> a
>>>> note
>>>>>>>>>>pointing
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>people to our web site and saying only that if they like our
>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>music
>>>>>>>>>>it
>>>>>>>>>>>>>would
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>be really cool if they would buy a sticker or a T-Shirt or

>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>pick
>>>>>> up
>>>>>>>>>>my

>>>>>>>>>>>>>bar
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>tab some night. I haven't completely convinced the guys, I

>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>don't
>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>write
>>>>>>>>>>>>>songs
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>for this band so it's their copyright not mine, but I'm
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>getting
>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>closer.
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>TCB
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>"Ted Gerber" <tedgerber@rogers.com> wrote:
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>Thad-
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>What's your take on the idea that DRM is being foisted on
all
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>online
>>>>>>>>>>>>stores
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>by the
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>respective rights holders/publishers?
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>FLAC is very good. If anyone's on Mac, Amadeus will play
FLAC
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>files...
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>Ted
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>"TCB" <nobody@ishere.com> wrote:
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>Other than the DRM and the fact that you're locked into

>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>their
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>hardware,
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>it's
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>not bad. Which is kind of like the famous, 'Other than,
Mrs.
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>Lincoln,
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>how
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>was the show?'
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>For higher quality audio, check out FLAC.
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>TCB
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>"DJ" <www.aarrrrggghhh!!!.com> wrote:
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>OK, so I'm an (admittedly) old curmudgeon and only listen
>> to
>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>compressed
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>audio files when I absolutely have to and I especially
go
>> out
>>>>>> of
>>>>>>>>>>my
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>way
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>to
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>avoid having anything to do with Mac related stuff as a
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>matter
>>>>>>>> of
>>>>>>>>>>>principle,
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>but Amy likes Apple and so I loaded ITunes on her new PC
>> and
>>>>>> I've
>>>>>>>>>>>been
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>playing around with it. Yeah, I know.....I'm only 5

>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>years
>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>behind
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>everyone else here, but anyway, all I can say is that I
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>*really*
>>>>>>>>>>like
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>ITunes. I can't find anything I don't like about it. If
I
>>
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>were
>>>>>>>> going
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>to
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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>design something like this, I couldn't do it any better

>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>(now
>>>>>> hows
>>>>>>>>>>>that
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>for

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>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>egotism?).
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Subject: Re: OK.....I've gotta' hand it to Steve Jobs
Posted by audioguy_editout_ on Sat, 24 Mar 2007 01:25:31 GMT
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It's in the shop getting the capstan motor rebuilt... AGAIN!

Damn those sintered bronze bushings!! ;-)

David.

DC wrote:

>
> heh
>
> Hey, where'd my Studer go??
>
>
> DC

>
>

Subject: Re: OK.....I've gotta' hand it to Steve Jobs
Posted by dc[3] on Sat, 24 Mar 2007 05:01:36 GMT
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Hah... Nah, just use the thin teflon lube from the gun shop...

You have the assistant pick it up on the way back from
the Rite Aid with the Light Days Oval pads for the drums...

heh

DC

"Dave(EK Sound)" <audioguy_editout_@shaw.ca> wrote:
>It's in the shop getting the capstan motor rebuilt... AGAIN!
>
>Damn those sintered bronze bushings!! ;-)
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>David.
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>> Hey, where'd my Studer go??
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