The WEFT Revue
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NEED HOLIDAY GIFT IDEAS?

We asked our airshifters for their favorite CDs of the year -- something perfect for gift-giving (or getting). Here are some of their suggestions:

Ed Blackwell Project, Vol. I, "What it is?" (Enja) jazz
Paul Wience, "Stolen Moments", Thurs 9-12p.m.
Matt Malloy, "Music at Matt Malloy's" (Real World) irish rock
Lynn Deasy, "Electric Planet", Fri 3-5p.m.
Liz Phair, "Exile in Guyville" (Matador) rock
Jill, "She's Actual Size", Mon 2-5a.m.
Luscious Jackson, "Search for Manny" (Grand Royal) rock
Sheila, "She's Actual Size", Mon 2-5a.m.
John Coltrane, "The Last Giant, the John Coltrane Anthology" (Rhino) jazz
Kevin Kizer, "Kaleidoscope", Tues. 9-12p.m.
Bessie Smith, "The Complete Recordings, Vol.4" (Columbia) blues
Blue Lou, "Every Thursday I Get the Blues", Thurs. 12-3a.m.
Gurv "Jazzmatazz, Vol.1" (Chrysalis) hip-hop, jazz fusion
Kayleigh, "Spastic Ear Cafe", Wed. 10-12p.m.

NEW YEAR'S EVE AT THE CLUBS

If you're looking forward to 12/31 already, here's some ideas for some great live music alternatives.

LOCAL:
Jelly Hines (blues) and Baaro (rock), THE BLIND PIG, 351-7444
Bella Donna (rock), 5 POINTS, 367-5888
Alliance (rock), MABELS, 328-5700
Keith Harden (blues), THE HIDEAWAY, 356-3081

OUTATOWN:
CHICAGO
Liz Phair (rock), METRO, 312/549-0203
The Son Seats Blues Band with Magic Slim and the Teardrops (blues), BLUES ETC, 312/525-9898
Subdukes, Bad Example and UJB (rock), CUBBY BEAR, 312/252-1662
The Ellington Dynasty featuring original saxist Harold Ashby, plus pianist Reginald Robinson and Jon Weber (jazz), THE GREEN MILL, 312/878-5552
Lennie Brooks (blues), BUDDY GUY'S LEGENDS, 312/427-1190

and if none of the above appeal to you, maybe...
Muder and Mayhem with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra (Clas.), ORCHESTRA HALL, 435-6666 (tickets include an open bar)

WEFT T-SHIRTS FOR SALE

We still have a few WEFT T-shirts left. Great for holiday gift-giving! Only $10! Call 359-9338 or stop by the station at 113 N. Market St., Champaign.

WE'RE NEW!

Welcome to first issue of the WEFT Revue. You may have known us under our former name, Wireless, but be assured that we've changed for the better - not only our name, but our format as well. Now a monthly publication, the WEFT Revue will bring you more information more often. Regular features to watch for in coming issues include WEFT airshifter and show profiles, reports of special WEFT programming, and reviews of the best new music from all genres. We'll also let you know about special events and concerts coming up in the area. And remember, the WEFT Revue is mailed free to everyone who has pledged $30 or more to WEFT in the last year.
Letter from Linda General Manager

We've made it to the end of another year! I think one of my favorite station activities at this time of year is writing up the WEFT Annual Report. This is where I get to kick back with my keyboard and think about all the things we've accomplished in the last twelve months. Yes, we've had the usual share of financial difficulties and other temporary setbacks, just like any other organization. But as I look out onto our "great hall" at this very moment, I see staff and volunteers hard at work building new CD racks for all the great new music we've received at the station in 1993 -- music brought in through the efforts of tireless volunteers.

Then there's the production studio. Whenever I peer into the window and see someone in there editing tape, or taping a telephone interview, or just learning how to use the equipment, I catch their excitement -- I love to see people letting their creativity loose in production, really caring about the end product (and sometimes working late into the night to get it right!). WEFT volunteers' overall commitment to quality is higher than ever -- perhaps our greatest accomplishment to date.

I want to thank the listeners who call us throughout the day and night to let us know how much they enjoy staying tuned to 90.1, and the hard-working WEFTies who just keep coming through our doors and making us better than we were. Here's to a great new year in community radio!

PERFECT PITCH
The best new music reviewed by WEFT volunteers

Hypnotic Clambake "Gondola to Heaven" (Blue Button) um....
The second release from this most surprising of bands. This one combines jazz, blues, zydeco, rock and an ode to a turkey. Words alone can't convince you how satisfying this combo is. A must listen. A must buy. Skip lunch for a week and buy this one today!

Luscious Jackson "In Search of Manny" (Grand Royal) rock
Recipe for an album: Carefully arrange two smooth female voices and rich music in layers on top of a steady beat and sprinkle generously with attitude. This recipe makes only seven tracks, but there's enough of "In Search of Manny" for everyone. The second track is especially delicious -- with a beat too slow to dance to, but too fast to sit still. Enjoy Luscious Jackson immediately at a high volume.

Jill, "She's Actual Size", Mondays 2-5 a.m.

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