

CHUCK D

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said, alleging that the record companies change formats every several years to force fans to repurchase their music collection.

"The public has no choice when they bought that Marvin Gay album in 1971 for \$6.99 and bought the same damn thing 20 years later for \$17. The period of 1986 to 1997 was known as the Big CD Scam — a period that showed that artists weren't going to get the big payday, only a select few. Executives would get the big pay day, with CDs going for 300 percent on the dollar."

Chuck D has put his money where his mouth is in helping to found RapStation.com, a Web site dedicated to empowering rap acts from around the world. He said he measures the site's success by

the fear in Corporate America's eyes.

"Three years ago I was crazy, two years ago I was sued, last year I was a parasitic threat and this year I was competition," Chuck D said toward the end of his talk.

The CMJ fest was proof that attention to independent music is growing, whether from the Internet, discontent with major record labels or otherwise. More than 51 clubs hosted shows during the four-day event, which ran from Oct. 19 to 22, and bands played to mostly capacity crowds huddled in venues from the spacious Bowery Ballroom to cozy Parkside Lounge.

Only a few major label bands played the event, and many independent record labels — from Chicago's Bloodshot to Olympia, Washington's Kill Rock Stars to Wilmington, Delaware's Jade Tree — found they had sell-out crowds at the label showcases.

Even former major label acts fared well at the fest. Jimmy Eat World, a Mesa,

Ariz., band dumped by Capitol Records in 1999 after two poor selling albums, has a new home on the independent label Big Wheel Recreation and played to a sold-out crowd at CBGB's.

With the independent spirit in the air, many panelists remarked at the convention's surprising lack of attitude, which has almost become synonymous with major labels. Independent record company owners mingled with college radio station program directors, and the New York Times' senior pop critic Ann Powers handed out free advice to college journalists.

Many experts from the fest's 50 panels urged students and attendees to approach them and ask for jobs, advice or both. Many did. But just as many attendees took the independent spirit to heart and attended the conference to promote their own Web site, band or Internet radio station.

Movie Times

Carmike Wynnsong 10
5320 Forest Drive,
782-8100

Bring It On (PG-13) 2:00, 7:30
The Cell (R) 4:30, 9:30
The Contender (PG-13) 1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:45
Dr. T & the Women (R) 1:30, 4:00, 7:00, 9:45
The Exorcist (R) 1:15, 4:15, 7:00, 9:45
Get Carter (R) 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:15
Ladies Man (R) 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:15
Legend of Drunken (R) 2:00, 4:30, 7:15, 9:30
Lost Souls (R) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:30
Nurse Betty (R) 2:00, 7:00
Scary Movie (R) 4:30, 9:35

Columbiana Grande
Stadium Cinemas
1250 Bower Parkway,
407-9898

Almost Famous (R) 2:05, 4:50, 7:25, 10:00
Bedazzled (PG-13) 1:05, 2:10, 3:30, 5:00, 7:15, 8:00, 9:35, 10:15
Best in Show (PG-13) 1:00, 3:10, 5:20, 7:15, 9:20
Bring It On (PG-13) 1:05, 3:20, 5:30, 7:45, 10:00

Coyote Ugly (PG-13) 1:10, 3:25, 5:45, 7:20, 9:45
Digimon (PG) 1:00, 3:15, 5:35, 7:45, 9:50
The Exorcist (R) 1:20, 4:30, 7:20, 10:05
Legend of Drunken (R) 1:05, 3:25, 4:20, 5:45, 8:00, 10:15
Lost Souls (R) 1:40, 4:00, 7:30, 9:55
Pay it Forward (PG-13) 1:25, 2:00, 4:10, 6:55, 7:30, 9:45, 10:20
Space Cowboys (PG-13) 1:10, 3:50, 6:50, 9:25
The Watcher (R) 1:50, 3:55, 7:35, 9:40

Dutch Square 14
800 Bush River Road,
750-3576

Beautiful (PG-13) 1:20, 4:10, 7:30, 10:00
Bedazzled (PG-13) 1:50, 4:50, 7:45, 10:10
The Contender (R) 1:30, 4:20, 7:10, 9:50
Digimon Digital (PG) 2:00, 4:10
Dr. T & the Women (R) 1:40, 4:10, 7:15, 9:55
The Exorcist (R) 1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:45
Get Carter (R) 7:40, 10:10
Ladies Man (R) 2:30, 5:00, 7:20, 9:30
Legend of Drunken (R) 2:00, 4:20, 7:00, 9:20
Lost Souls (R) 2:20, 5:10, 7:30, 9:40
Meet the Parents (PG-13) 1:50, 4:30,

Pay it Forward (PG-13) 1:15, 4:00, 7:10, 9:50
Remember the Titans (PG) 1:40, 4:00, 7:00, 9:30
Urban Legends 2 (R) 2:15, 4:20, 7:50, 10:00
What Lies Beneath (PG-13) 1:30, 4:15, 7:20, 10:00

Regal Cinema 7
Richland Mall Rooftop,
748-9044

Almost Famous (R) 1:30, 4:10, 7:05, 10:05
Beautiful (PG-13) 1:40, 4:15, 7:15, 9:45
Bedazzled (PG-13) 2:10, 4:35, 7:30, 9:55
Digimon (PG) 2:15, 4:50, 7:35
Meet the Parents (PG-13) 2:00, 4:30, 7:20, 9:50
Pay it Forward (PG-13) 1:45, 4:20, 7:10, 10:00
Remember the Titans (G) 1:50, 4:25, 7:00, 9:40
Urban Legends (R) 10:10

Nickelodeon
Main at Pendleton,
254-3433

Jesus, Son 7:00, 9:00

TOP 30

For the week ending Oct. 20



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| 1. Elf Power- <i>The Winter is Coming</i> | 16. The Alchemysts- <i>Zero Zen</i> |
| 2. Hooverphonic- <i>The Magnificent Tree</i> | 17. Don Caballero- <i>American Don</i> |
| 3. Electronic- <i>Twisted Tenderness</i> | 18. Black Uhuru- <i>Live 84</i> |
| 4. Ugly Duckling- <i>Journey to Anywhere</i> | 19. Ian Pooley- <i>Since Then</i> |
| 5. Underworld- <i>Live</i> | 20. Scientist- <i>Dubs Culture into a Parallel Universe</i> |
| 6. Badly Drawn Boy- <i>The Hour of Bewilderbeast</i> | 21. Banca De Gaia- <i>Laizeh</i> |
| 7. Superdrag- <i>In the Valley of Dying Stars</i> | 22. Natacha Atlas- <i>Remix Collection</i> |
| 8. Gomez- <i>Abandoned All...</i> | 23. VJA- <i>AfroBeat- No Go Die</i> |
| 9. Death Cab For Cutie- <i>Forbidden Love</i> | 24. J Mascis and the Fog- <i>More Light</i> |
| 10. Karate- <i>Unsolved</i> | 25. Morphine- <i>Bootleg Detroit</i> |
| 11. Idaho- <i>Hearts of Palms</i> | 26. The Sea and the Cake- <i>Oui</i> |
| 12. Elevator- <i>Taste of Complete Perspective</i> | 27. The Fucking Champs- <i>Four</i> |
| 13. Kool Keith- <i>Matthew</i> | *28. Robert Nighthawk- <i>Live on Maxwell St.</i> |
| 14. Adrian Shaw- <i>Head Cleaner</i> | 29. Joan of Arc- <i>The Gap</i> |
| 15. High Llamas- <i>Buzzle Bee</i> | 30. Tristeza- <i>Dream Signals and Full Circles</i> |

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