

mixtapes

Paul Johnson- "I Need Another Plan"

This tape is definitely a goody. Paul shows us what house music is all about. Plenty of nice vocally stuff, with a theme throughout the tape about relationships...he takes you through some pretty emotional stuff, and it's all good. Overall, a really nicely put together tape. There are a few technical sounding problems on the beginning of side one, but that could have been the duplicator or something...who knows? It's still worth your money though, no questions asked...this tape is the bomb. (Available through Sole Unlimited Productions.) 9/10 (Brenda)

Mark Almaria- "Let Yourself Go"

One of the city's biggest little crowd mover drops another bomb ass tape on all y'all. Mark has the tunes to shake that ass...disco house, it's all so nice. The quality of the tape is good, and the mixing superb...Mark's the shit. If you haven't heard him yet, and you dig upbeat, disco house...check him out, and certainly get this tape. (Available through most record stores or from the man himself.) 8/10 (Brenda)

Wilhelm K- "Live at Get Freaky"

Wilhelm K...you may have heard about him...he threw the "Get" parties in Indiana. Anyhow, part of his set was taped at "Get Freaky." The beginning has most of the recognizable goods that everyone knows and loves, then he gets into some tunes I never heard before, but nonetheless, good shit. Good mixing, and good quality. Overall, a good tape. Indy's not too far, so why don't we "get" him up here more? For a tape and/or booking call (317)474-0818. 8/10 (Brenda)

DJN8- "Keep Pushin' Chicago"

Another nice house tape here. Lots of butt shakin' tunes, some a little more on the commercial tip, but some are ghetto too, so you take the good with the bad. "Funk Phenomena," "Southside Chicago"...you know the routine. (630)469-2016 7/10 (Brenda)

G-Spot- "X Up X Down"

Starts out with this Bjork track, that's a little commercial, but still pretty cool. Overall, the tape is progressive house from a Chicago native living in Hawaii. Check him out when he's in town. (847)3288658 7/10 (Brenda)

Terry Mullan- "Straight Techno"

Mike Dearborn- "DJ Promo #3"

Everyone loves Mikes Promò tapes, they've kinda taken over where the Fusion tapes of Mr. Mullan have left off, with a harder edge of course. The quality and skills are all in there, as well as some of Mikes own tracks. Promo #4 is on sale now as well, and I'm sure it's just as good as the others. (312)409-0781 8.5/10 (Brenda)

Kikoman- "2Da Extreme"

Poundy, Detroit Techno...fast and somewhat noisy at times, but a good noisy. Good, slammin' shit. 8/10 (Brenda)

Shilo Maggi/Gerlando Piro- (Journees)

Martin really loves this tape, I agree that it's pretty cool. These fellas are from the West Coast, and the tape is all progressive acid...it's all good. Sounds kinda Mike Dearbornish, so you like his stuff, check into this one too. Call (408)725-1291 for a copy. 8/10 (Brenda)

Druid- "The Acid Wars Continue"

You can read about this character on page 22...he's from Chicago, and the tape is somewhat acid/trance/vocally/progressive house. Pretty good variety, and it'll get you movin. He out and about quite often, so check him out if you haven't. 7/10 (Brenda)

Solo- "Eon4"

What can I say? We can't diss our own...Solo the bomb! Actually this tape isn't his best work but it'll give you an idea of his capabilities for the most part. Hard-trancey/technoey stuff with his very own beginning that's kinda creepy (from the Alien Autopsy)...he's a good deejay so people should book him:) 7/10 (Brenda)

Dzak- "The Milwaukee Stance" (Toolbox Tunes)

This Milwaukee dude has proven his skills from his last tape...much, much better! He's got true variety, tight mixing, and a well produced tape all in all. Chilled out house to vocally shit to techno then back to house...it works well. A little somethin' for everyone. (414)342-2615 7.5/10 (Brenda)

Liquid- "Exit the Dragon"

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