



Like, wow!

WHEN IT COMES TO '80S MUSIC, depending on whom you ask, you'll get varied opinions on what an '80s club night means. For some, it means bright colors, spandex, glitter, lace and flash dancing to Madonna, Michael Jackson and Cyndi Lauper. For others it's sliding on a pair of black fishnets, eyeliner, dark lipstick and lighting a clove while listening to Depeche Mode, New Order and The Cure. And for others still, it's none of the above. So what's a person who wants all of the above to do? Every Wednesday, Next Door presents Acid Wash (you know you had a pair). The flyer says: "Spinning the best in '80s Music." What kind, you ask? Well, with four resident DJs and an entire decade to choose from, take your pick.

If you like the darker side of the '80s, DJ Nocturna can take you there with New Order, Joy Division and a hint of goth-industrial. G-

Spot lightens it up with Depeche Mode and Hall and Oates. DJ Quicksilva's favorites include Afrika Bambaataa, Grand Master Flash and Cameo. While promoter and DJ Vegas Mike sticks with "The" bands: The Smiths, The Psychedelic Furs and The Damned.

Barring the fact that the place gets hotter than a Swedish sauna (there's still no air-con) it's a pretty sweet deal. 1. Free cover. 2. It's 21 and over—finally, everyone at an '80s night is old enough to have experienced the '80s. 3. Forgotten favorites. Remember Soft Cell's "Sex Dwarf?" See what we mean? 4. Cheap drinks. Acid Wash's happy hour is more like a happy night with drink specials until closing. Guinness and all other beer for three bucks? Rad. They don't even serve domestic beer here. Or, if liquor is quicker, the fee is the same for well drinks.

Next Door

43 N. Hotel Street, 548-NEXT,
www.whoisnextdoor.com

Getting In: 21+; No cover with work card, local or state ID (except for special events \$7-\$10 '80s cover prices)

Dress Code: Ladies: tights, lace, bangles, fishnets, short skirts, pencil skirts. Guys: muscle tees, jeans, Members Only jackets, polo shirts.

Sightings: Andy Rourke and DJ Keoki on stage. Otherwise, it's a bit to dim to tell...

Soundtrack: Blondie, Depeche Mode, The Smiths, Blur, Joy Division, Soft Cell, Grand Master Flash, New Order, Gary Numan, Debbie Harry

Signature drink: '80s drink prices until closing. \$3 well and \$3 draft (no domestic beers here!)

Last month's Andy Rourke visit was the best-attended Acid Wash and the first of many guest DJ appearances. He's got big plans for his baby (going on 3 months). Starting June 28 (with a guest appearance by Mt. Simms) and every last Wednesday of the month, Acid Wash and Superstar DJ Keoki present Disco 2012 (Think electro-'80s remixes). Future celeb bookings include Peter Hook from New Order, Ian McCullough from Echo & The Bunnymen and Alex James of Blur spinning their personal selection of '80s.

The only drawback (besides the heat, of course): We haven't yet spotted a pair of acid washed jeans.

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