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Subject: Re: Dyson

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Everything Old is New again!", did Cole Porter write that? --> No I don't think so. He said Anything Goes. Nostalgia is a word fraught with meaning. For those who see all things as progressing in a linear fashion from point A to the dirt nap then it takes on a grim connotation. Do people really hold their world view in such a prescriptive manner? I wonder. --> I know this is rhetorical above but I'm of the mind that the good old days that everyone 'remembers' including the TV producers of That 70's Show or the whatits-- blended family that I never watched-- have a view of that time that I don't share. The good old days then and I'd venture to say now as well largely depend on your position in society. Gil-Scott Heron makes great music and writes beautiful songs; what has that to do with nostalgia? And Kerouac can suck you in emotionally like all true writing should so that serves a modern purpose. --> In point of fact, GSH hardly sang at all but talked poetry. I never put on rose glasses; but those things that were good didn't get bad over time. They bridge the things we do with experience; not always remembered correctly but then nothing has the exact reality for each of us and neither does the passing of time. I hope this doesn't sound confrontational because it isn't but as an older guy these things have an immediacy that demands attention. --> What things? I'm an old fart too. I think also the current lack of valuable musical and written art available forces us to examine the best of all that we have at hand. And what is shared events but the evolving of culture. --> There's always new art. I'll venture to say neither of us have heard any of the good stuff. We are not current with it. One of the great experiences of my life as an 18 year old was seeing Julian Beck's Living Theatre live on a college campus in Appleton Wisconsin. I was in the right place at the right time. I believe that music had a more connected effect back in the day and I also think it will as everything does resume that function. --> Until then people will keep on going ooblah dee ooblah dah with their old Beatles records. Why If I may ask are you a member of the underclass? --> No comment.

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