Subject: Vinyl still being sold?
Posted by telegraph.hill on Sat, 12 Aug 2006 16:47:16 GMT
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Is there much stuff still being sold on vinyl, outside of the dj-ing scene?

Subject: Re: Vinyl still being sold?
Posted by Manualblock on Sat, 12 Aug 2006 17:17:51 GMT
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What kind of music do you like? I have the current Music Direct catalog with over 500 entries for new vynil. The real benefit lies in used vinyl from local stores. I just picked up yesterday a mint copy of Frank Zappa's " Burnt Weeny Sandwich." And A brand new re-master from the UK of Big Brother and The Holding Company, " Cheap Thrills." That album sounds so good I realised what they are supposed to sound like and how really great Janis sounded on record.Total price? 15$ Less than a CD.In New vinyl I bought Wilco's first album. Great americana roots/alternative rock music. 19$In Jazz Eric Dolphy; "Out There." 8$There's a sample of vinyl offerings.

Subject: 45 sales way up
Posted by colinhester on Sun, 13 Aug 2006 12:03:25 GMT
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According to "Home Entertainment" magazine sales of vinyl 45s are up 6 fold in 5 years.

Subject: Re: Vinyl still being sold?
Posted by Manualblock on Sun, 13 Aug 2006 15:43:51 GMT
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Oh; I forgot to mention GEMM; thats a site with over a million pieces of vinyl for sale. GEMM.COM. Good stuff.

Subject: Re: Vinyl still being sold?
Posted by telegraph.hill on Sun, 13 Aug 2006 16:48:27 GMT
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Sounds like you got some good bargains there.But I find that the trouble with vinyl is its tendency to deteriorate easily. It quickly gets scratched. I would have thought that most second hand vinyl would not be in terrific condition.What music do I like? Kaiser Chiefs, Franz Ferdinand, U2, eighties music, old rock 'n roll such as Chuck Berry, the Rolling Stones, ska, etc.

Subject: Re: 45 sales way up
Posted by telegraph.hill on Sun, 13 Aug 2006 17:01:26 GMT
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That's impressive. Why are people still buying vinyl when it deteriorates so easily?Is it just that digital sound cannot really match analogue?

Subject: Re: Vinyl still being sold?
Posted by telegraph.hill on Sun, 13 Aug 2006 17:02:29 GMT
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Thanks, manualblock - I'll take a look.So do you listen mostly to vinyl then?

Subject: Re: Vinyl still being sold?
Posted by Manualblock on Mon, 14 Aug 2006 15:20:40 GMT
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I go through phases. A lot of the jazz I listen to is either unavailable on vinyl or crazy expensive so that music I listen on CD; and of course the jazz is usually well recorded so CD sounds pretty good. Rock on the other hand is much better on vynil; especially the older stuff from my era. So for rock/classical and folk I usually listen to the turntable and for jazz mostly CD. I have a lot of jazz on vinyl but when I get into the mood I tend to stick with the CD so I don't have to change too often. How about yourself; what do you like?

Subject: Re: Vinyl still being sold?
Posted by telegraph.hill on Mon, 14 Aug 2006 22:23:04 GMT
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What do I like? Well - Franz Ferdinand, Kaiser Chiefs, Goldfrapp, U2, ABC, Roxy Music, The Specials, Madness, The Beat, The Sex Pistols, Pink Floyd, Rolling Stones, Chuck Berry. To name but a few!

Subject: Re: Vinyl still being sold?
Posted by Manualblock on Tue, 15 Aug 2006 13:21:53 GMT
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I love the Specials and Roxy Music; but that goes back a little also; in time I mean. List three or four good recordings every once in a while and why you like them. I try to do the same. It really helps to see what others listen too and you apparently have a good range of eclectic taste.

Subject: Re: Vinyl still being sold?
Posted by telegraph.hill on Wed, 16 Aug 2006 07:43:16 GMT
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Yes, I saw the Specials when I lived in Japan. They were really good. I may see them again soon.Yes - I can list some recordings and why I like them every once in a while. Do you mean particular tracks? Or bands?

Subject: Re: Vinyl still being sold?
Posted by Manualblock on Wed, 16 Aug 2006 18:17:42 GMT
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I would say recordings that are special enough to make you want to buy them. Like the recent Mark Knopfler/Emmylou Harris album.

Subject: Re: Vinyl still being sold?
Posted by Manualblock on Thu, 17 Aug 2006 18:38:16 GMT
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Not to detour off a tangent here but the NYT just had an article two pages long about the problem the Smithsonian is having with data transferral from the different formats. It seems that the new formats such as CD and DVD have a finite life-span; they deteriorate from oxidation. Then there is

what is called Bit Loss; each time you transfer some data from another source you lose bits. That means less resolution until it is useless. Know what they said is the longest and most reliable info storage? Paper. It will last indefinately. Not digital storage. Life expectancy? 15 yrs. Vinyl is supposedly good for over 100 yrs or more. Scratches? true; but nothing like the complete disintigration of the data on CD in the future.My point is if you build a CD library you will need to re-format it in 15 yrs and when you do you lose info. Makes vinyl look a little better than it did for me.As for scratches; I have albums from the 60's I bought as a kid. They have a little surface noise but nothing intrusive. So ask for a garrauntee of quality when you buy or buy new.Hope this is of some interest.

Subject: Re: Vinyl still being sold?
Posted by telegraph.hill on Sat, 19 Aug 2006 21:41:55 GMT
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Blimey! I didn't know that Mark Knopfler and Emmylou Harris had done an album! What a combination!

Subject: Re: Vinyl still being sold?
Posted by Manualblock on Sun, 20 Aug 2006 15:37:35 GMT
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Yep; nice sounding and well recorded. Damn it is getting hard to find good new music. I bought a recording of Japanese flute I got so desperate.

Subject: Re: Vinyl still being sold?
Posted by telegraph.hill on Fri, 08 Sep 2006 18:31:30 GMT
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That's nice. What sort of Japanese flute? I used to live in Japan, btw.

Subject: Re: Vinyl still being sold?
Posted by nogard on Sat, 09 Sep 2006 02:37:03 GMT
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Yes, I seen some vinyl in this local music store the other day. Matter of fact there was a room with nothing but vinyl. There was old KISS vinyls there that I ended up buying. I have a ton of vinyls that I collect.

Subject: Re: Vinyl still being sold?
Posted by telegraph.hill on Mon, 18 Sep 2006 09:09:12 GMT
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What, you mean KISS the glam rock band? My neighbour is into them.

Subject: Re: Vinyl still being sold?
Posted by destiny on Mon, 30 Oct 2006 23:35:44 GMT
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GEMM.com... I'll have to remember that, it sounds like a good place for vinyl collectors to start.

Subject: Re: Vinyl still being sold?
Posted by destiny on Mon, 30 Oct 2006 23:37:27 GMT
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I haven't seen vinyl being sold (except on eBay or at flea markets) for many years. But just thinking about it sure brings back some sweet memories.
