Subject: Saved On Vinyl
Posted by Silver on Sun, 20 Feb 2022 13:37:56 GMT
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Is there a way to store a spoken word message on vinyl? People use high-tech methods to put messages, like verbal copies of wills and such, why not vinyl?

It would be a unique way to leave your legacy.

Subject: Re: Saved On Vinyl
Posted by gofar99 on Sun, 20 Feb 2022 22:52:10 GMT
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Hi, Anything is possible...but why use a media that is easily subject to damage? A scratch or accidently dropping and cracking would spoil the archive. I am not a great fan of any particalular method, but I feel it is a toss up between digital and photo digital.

Subject: Re: Saved On Vinyl
Posted by Strum Drum on Mon, 21 Feb 2022 22:29:20 GMT
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I like the idea, it sounds unique, and I'm sure they'd cherish it. However, I bet it would be a pricey project and unless you have studio equipment, I doubt it will sound better than what you can create with a digital voice recorder.

Subject: Re: Saved On Vinyl
Posted by gofar99 on Wed, 23 Feb 2022 02:05:49 GMT
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Hi At one time there were record recorders. They would take a signal and cut the grooves on a blank disk. The home units were a bit iffy and did not make anything nearly as good as commercial disks. Poor signal to noise, poor fidelity, expensive for the time. IMO digital is the way to go. You can make as many archive copies as you want and each will be the same. With proper encoding ....say anything over about 24/96 the results are hard to tell from any known (realistic) source material. The digital copies can contain audio, video and documents without any issues. Vinyl can't do that. Digital storage media is dirt cheap now as well. 128-256G jump drives under $40, 1TB SSDs at $70, and just this week I saw a name brand 4TB spinner for $75.

Subject: Re: Saved On Vinyl
Posted by Silver on Thu, 24 Feb 2022 14:41:52 GMT
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What I had in mind was a niche gift for someone who is directly or indirectly involved in the recording business. Maybe someone who started out in the old days and still has fond memories of them.

I know it's not that practical from a technical standpoint, but sentiments don't necessarily have to be practical.

Sometimes the intent is more meaningful than the action.

Subject: Re: Saved On Vinyl
Posted by Nouri on Fri, 04 Mar 2022 04:33:16 GMT
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That's very thoughtful of you. I'm sure they wouldn't play it every day or something, just every once in a while for special occasions.

If you have the money to throw down, go for it.

Subject: Re: Saved On Vinyl
Posted by gofar99 on Sun, 06 Mar 2022 02:07:24 GMT
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Hi Considering that companies exist to transfer LPs to digital, tape to digital and so on...it is likley that there is one or more that would copy a tape recording or digital file to a disk. A google search would probably find one. Price might be a bit steep though.

Subject: Re: Saved On Vinyl
Posted by The Noise on Mon, 07 Mar 2022 09:15:58 GMT
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I can imagine. Asking them to reverse a now-standard technology can't be cheap.

It does sound like a sentimental type move though. One that would be appreciated.

Subject: Re: Saved On Vinyl
Posted by Porter on Tue, 21 Feb 2023 10:01:23 GMT
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I wouldn't trust it for something as complicated as a will, but I think reading a story aloud could make a nifty gift for a grandchild. It would be like grandpa sending them off to sleep at night. You could go through a commercial outfit, such as PrintYourVinyl or Vinylify, to get it done.

Subject: Re: Saved On Vinyl
Posted by Rusty on Tue, 21 Feb 2023 12:36:00 GMT
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Take a look here to get a taste of the old, and the new home record recorders. Then observe the crucial steps in producing high quality records.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rCuC3fV_fHc

I'll stick to the commercially made. But the new Gakken record maker might be a nice way to get youth interested in vinyl. Helping to keep the heritage going strong.

Subject: Re: Saved On Vinyl
Posted by gofar99 on Thu, 23 Feb 2023 01:50:30 GMT
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Hi My last experience with Gakken was a device about 2 steps below a 6 transistor radio. Cute looking, poor performance.

Subject: Re: Saved On Vinyl
Posted by Miami on Mon, 06 Mar 2023 23:50:42 GMT
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I wouldn't do that for a will, but I would do it for remembrance purposes. Like taking loved ones on a trip down memory lane. I grew up listening to records, so I think it would be a great gift for people of my generation.

Subject: Re: Saved On Vinyl
Posted by Kingfish on Wed, 29 Mar 2023 23:56:50 GMT
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I don't know what the quality is like, but this place: https://vinylify.com/ will transfer 20 minutes for roughly £100.

Looking for information tells me that this is a niche service.