



"Last time we went to the Viper Room my friend Wade did the same thing on the sidewalk we put him in the alley next to the club, the next morning we went back to pick him up and he was fine!"

A Rebel Yell staff member commenting on the River Phoenix death

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Madras Oregon. Home of the White Buffaloes. Home of irresponsible, coked-out losers who couldn't care less about mixing valium and posher social habits.

My hometown high school. Funny how my old town gets press these days. Funny how the press can make an idol out of a drug addict. Yeah, he could act. So can lots of people. *But his death was a tragedy.* Yeah, but lots of neat people die from substance abuse every day. People who worked for a living. People from all walks of life. Normal people. Teachers, cops, firemen, truck drivers. People who make a tangible contribution.

Jim Morrison. Jimi

Hendrix. Janis Joplin. Elvis. John Belushi. Bon Scott. Steve Clark. Just a few entertainers for whom the bell

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tollled. Do you think *their* brothers or sisters were out on the sidewalk trying to keep them from pounding their heads into the pavement while having a convulsive fit? No. All of the above have their own tales of mirth and woe.

And thanks to the national press and other spin doctors, we get every sappy-sweet detail of the deceased and his innumerable contributions, complete with a fade-out of an 8 1/2x11 glossy with "It's So Hard To Say Goodbye" in the background. Gives you kind of a warm, fuzzy feeling...like gastric acid

upset.

Feel sorry for him? How 'bout his parents? How proud they must be, brother and sister running out of the same Johnnie-Depp-coke-party-of-the-stars to save their younger brother. Heart-wrenching. At least the brother was coherent enough to call for an ambulance. And sister did what she could. Sounds like a nice family-bonding thing they had going.

So it proves they're normal humans because they're drugged out, and can't handle fame? No, they're not normal humans. Normal humans don't have poignant tributes paid to them on the Today Show when they die...or when they collapse in front of the Viper Room...

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Ali McMordie, left, and Robert Hamilton are the creators of Peace

### Peace of Crap

C.D. REVIEW  
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Throw this 13-song compilation at the British Army, and watch how fast they bail out of Northern Ireland. Either the producers of *Peace Together* wanted to bore the Brits to death or send them screaming into the ocean.

Ali McMordie and Robert Hamilton (both formerly

of talent and their ensemble is relatively new.

One final note: composer George Crumb wrote this piece of music after being inspired by the sound of the humpback whales.

It seemed that they tried so hard to show the detachment of humankind and yet they defied that by adhering to the traditional form of music. This was seen in the separation of each individual movement of the piece.

Some movements were loud and crashing while others were soft and soothing like the call of the sea gulls. This separation of the pieces and yet their overlap-

of two different successful punk bands themselves) pulled together some stellar names for this We Are the World-esque to stop the killing in Northern Ireland. Among them are Billy Bragg, Curve, and Ian Drury. Oh, and Sinéad O'Connor managed to peel herself off Peter Gabriel for both to lend vocals to the title track. Guns are being laid down even as you are reading this.

*Peace Together* has all the coherence of a, well, it has none.

ping on each other as the piece progressed was also contradictory, in that the ocean is not like that in reality. In truth the ocean portrays the essence of unity, harmony, and the fluidness of movement. There are no shocking surprises of tumultuousness. All things flow into one within the medium of water.

Still, one must respect his efforts, although perhaps slightly misdirected, and thank him for making the whales, a beautiful and special part of our world, known to all through music. An art form in which the whales are, unfortunately, sadly unrepresented in most of the time

## 'Voices of the Whale' disappointing

BY CATHY SCHWABE  
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We all can relate to that embarrassed feeling of recommending something highly, only to find out (too late) that it wasn't quite worth recommending in the first place.

As loyal *Rebel Yell* readers will recall, exactly two weeks ago, "Voices of the Whale" ran as a glowing advertisement for the Desert Chamber Southwest's first performance of the 1993-94 season. After all the hype this story solicited via word-of-mouth as well as through the article, the event was a shameful letdown.

Before the performance even began, "stagehand-type" people wandered around aimlessly donned in concert tee-shirts and dirty blue jeans. Comfortable clothing is great at times, but this seemed somewhat inappropriate.

Another sad production type "faux-pas" was one of the performers caught peeking around the curtain before the show. Doesn't this person have something more constructive to do than peek at us like a five-year-old in his first school play?

The talent of the players was unmistakable, but once again their attire was entirely inappropriate. The need for the dark clothing is

understandable, but it looked like this was stuff they pulled out of the bottom of their closets.

The masks, which were supposed to lend the mystery and detached feeling akin to the ocean, were even worse! One in particular looked like it came out of a \$5 children's costume from Target! Most go to a performance expecting to see the time spent in preparation for the show as well as the talent of the performers. What it really boils down to is that an audience expects a show of pride by a performance and in this particular case, there was none.

The Desert Chamber Players really do have an enormous amount

color for today is brownish-copper.

**Aries (Mar. 21- Apr. 19)**

Try to meet more people. Stop living such a secluded life. Your financial outlook is extremely good. Your color for today is patent-leather black.

**Taurus (Apr. 20- May 20)**

Try to call that member of your family that you haven't spoken to in a while. Your unique personality will cause some to treat you with caution. Your color for today is butterscotch.

**Gemini (May 21- Jun. 20)**

Return that intimate article of clothing to its rightful

owner. Yeah! I know it was cute and very tempting, but it's not yours. Your color for today is gold.

**Cancer (Jun. 21- Jul. 22)**

Make that all important decision about your life. Be true to those who care, even if they might get hurt. Try to buckle down and get all of your work done. Your color for today is baby-blue.

**Leo (Jul. 23- Aug. 22)**

The ferocious lion is back on the prowl. Try to assume some responsibility for all of your wrong-doings. Your romantic outlook is excellent, but don't take it too far. Your color for today is beige.

**Virgo (Aug. 23- Sept. 22)**

Enjoy spring water. It will cleanse your mind as well as your body. Try to comb your hair for a change. Avoid blue jeans. Your color for today is dirty water green.

**Libra (Sept. 23- Oct. 22)**

Your conceited attitude is not going to get you anywhere. Try to come down off of your high horse before somebody breaks its legs. Your color for today is grey.

**Scorpio (Oct. 23- Nov. 21)**

Just because your sign is that of the scorpion does not mean that you have to go around stinging people. Try to be calm and polite for a change. Your color for today is

chapped lip pink.

**Sagittarius (Nov. 22- Dec. 21)**

Try to be understanding when you get some bad news in the future. Concentrate all of your energy into your second love. Remember the good times you have had. Your color for today is fried chicken brown.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22- Jan. 19)**

Clean your room, it looks like four hippos, three oxen, nine giraffes, a moose, two hamsters, and an ant stampeded through it while running away from UNLV's cafeteria food. Your color for today is moss white.

### Horoscopes By Vaedra Roseman- Sowerby Staff Psychic

**Aquarius (Jan. 20- Feb. 18)**

Be true to your new-found lover. Avoid conflict with the law. Try not to eat foods containing hot spices. Remain humble for the duration of this weekend. Your color for today is green.

**Pisces (Feb. 19- Mar. 20)**

Your long-lost-loved one will be reunited with you in the near future. Do not eat chocolate this week or it will spell disaster. Your