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Rage Against The Machine: Revolution In The Art of Protest.

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Rage Against the Machine was formed by Zach de la Rocha, Tom Morello, Brad Wilk and Tim Commerford in 1991. The four make their duty to fill America with more socialist aggression and less right wing aggression. Their music is a confused mix of alternative rock, punk rock, hip hop, heavy metal and funk, topped off by strong political lyrics.

Rage Against the Machine and the Art of Protest was released on Feb. 23, 2010, it's a film that not only documents the work and career of RATM but also focuses on the group's place in

the world with people who have spoken out for the little guy or the oppressed, as well as people responsible for political movements. The documentary included interviews RATM Biographer, Colin Devenish, Michael Goldstone, the man who originally signed them, T.V. Reed Professor of American Studies and English at Washington State University and ex-Rolling Stone editor Joe Levy. However, oddly, the members of the band are never shown in an interview. For not having a large budget, this film was made well and was a good portrayal of music and art in the protests.



(http://thebroadsideonline.com/wp-content/uploads/2010/03/snoopdogg-malice-wonderland.jpg) Snoop Dogg Presents: The West Coast Blueprint

On Sunday, February 20th, Snoop Dogg and priority records released Snoop Dogg Presents: The



West Coast blue print. The CD features 16 classic tracks from artists who made the West Coast rap scene what it is. The CD is not an entire representation of west coast hip hop, since it does not include Death Row Records and only contains 16 songs out of hundreds of hits that came from the west coast. However, all of the songs Snoop Dogg chose for this album are to be appreciated and

are bound to bring back memories-for people familiar with classic hip hop at least.

### Hot chip: One life stand

In their fourth album, British electronic dance group Hot chip finally seem to have grown up musically speaking. On Monday, Feb. 4 2010, Hot Chip's "One Life Stand" was released, a (http://htebroadsideonline.com



wp-content/uploads/2010/03/hot.jpg) nd has already gained much popularity, especially across Europe. Hot Chip has always had an ear for music to dance to and lyrics that can be hauntingly beautiful, like in their last album, "Made in the Dark." However, what they are trying to represent with their songs is often hidden by interesting choices in words, but in this album, their "theme" if you will so call it, is love, with songs like "Hand Me Down Your Love," "We Have Love" and "One Life Stand." This album, although I would still consider it danceable, is much calmer than their previous three, and vocalist Alexis Taylor sings with more emotion then he has

shown before. Hot Chip has done what many bands seem unable to do: move forward musically and gain skill, without changing the uniqueness of their sound. The album includes songs from legends like NWA, Easy-E, The D.O.C., 2Pac, Ice Cube and Mack 10 and lesser known artists like Yo-Yo, the Luniz, Ant Banks, and Rass Kass. Snoop adds a little to the album by including sentimental and sometimes ironic interludes before songs and a few fresh tracks. Snoop Dogg Presents: The West Coast BluePrint, is a very well put together representation of what West Coast hip hop started out, back when it was more about the music and the artists, not getting rich and famous.

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