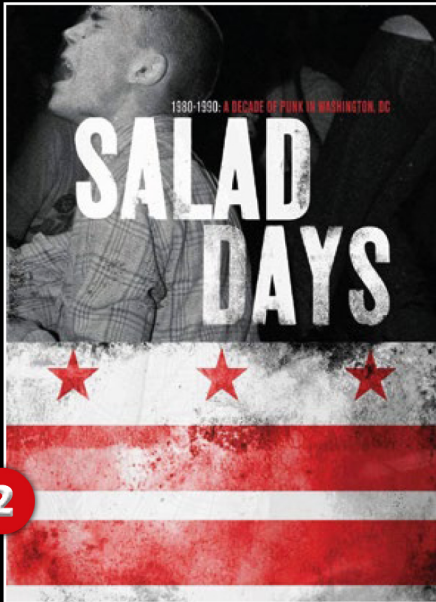


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SALAD DAYS: A DECADE OF PUNK IN WASHINGTON D.C.

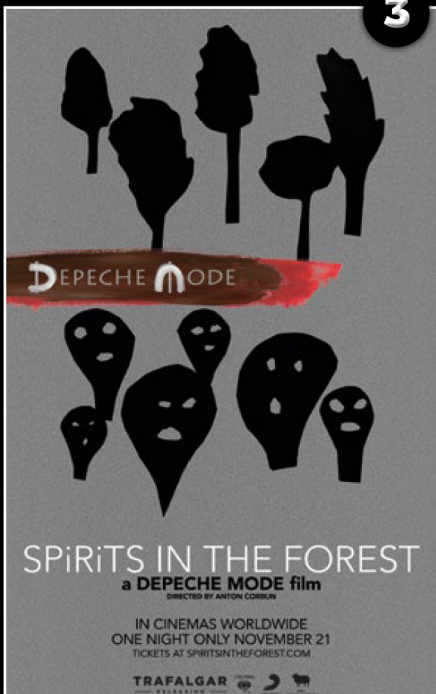
(MVD)

Digging deep into the fertile underground scene of Washington D.C. in the 1980s, 'Salad Days' features contributions from the likes of Fugazi's Ian MacKaye, Black Flag's Henry Rollins and Scream/Foo Fighters man Dave Grohl. Featuring everyone from Bad Brains to Iron Cross, it's a snapshot into the Reagan years that spawned a furious subculture.

DEPECHE MODE: SPIRITS IN THE FOREST

(Columbia/Sony/BBH)

The kings of reinvention, Depeche Mode have become the masters of evolving their sound over the years. Telling their story through the memories of their fans, such as a girl who woke from a coma remembering nothing of her life apart from the band, this four disc set of DVD and audio is a great watch/listen.



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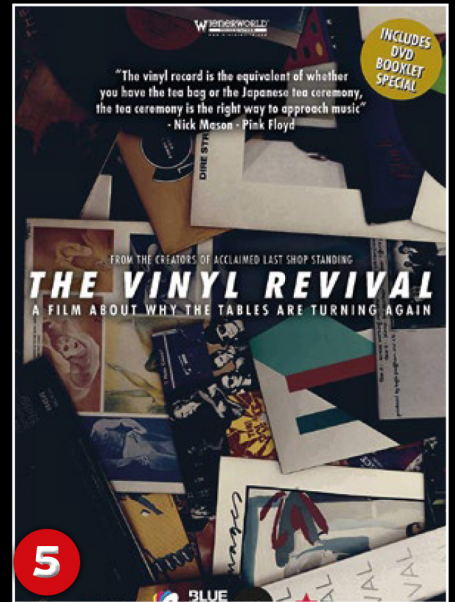
(Polydor/UMC)

Helping to define the 1980s, this documentary about Paul Weller's post-Jam work in the Style Council was originally aired on Sky Arts in late October. With brave and bold lyrics covering miners strikes and mass social unrest, this documentary follows them through four albums and seventeen singles.

THE VINYL REVIVAL

(Wienerworld/MVD)

If this year was good for anything, it's that sales of vinyl have continued to rise unabated.



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'The Vinyl Revival' celebrates this with interviews with Nick Mason (Pink Floyd), Ade Utley (Portishead) and many more. Focusing on the sheer joy of browsing racks and buying records, director Pip Piper has done a fantastic job on this.



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ZZ TOP: THAT LITTLE OL' BAND FROM TEXAS

(Banger Films)

Phenomenal blues musicians and platinum selling recording artists, 'That Little Ol' Band From Texas' charts the rise of ZZ Top to the bearded boogie behemoth that has sold over 25 million records worldwide. Using animation to illustrate their early years and featuring tributes from the likes of Queens Of The Stone Age's Josh Homme, it's a great look a band who are still together because "none of us ever quit or got fired".