

MUSIC REVIEW

"Mesanjaz of Funk" Mesanjaz of Funk Atlantic

"Mesanjaz of Funk has got the all-around-the-world type flow," says D-Vell Macafee, who, with Pearl Pizazz, fronts this new group.

D-Vell and Pearl, along with DJ Royal Tech, flip an English-Spanish style, all the while keeping the rhymes and beats fat.

Many listeners might simply pass over an album if they knew it was bilingual, based on previous experiences with rappers like Gerardo.

Mesanjaz of Funk is definitely a hard, underground rap group, keep the crossover.

The group, whose members are all from New York City, formed six years ago, but later broke up. It reformed a few years ago. Now, with help from their manager, Big I-God, the group has put together their first album.

Most of the tracks are straight-up funk, due mostly to Keyboard Money Mike, one of the founders

of Boogie Down Productions, and Tony Dofat, a new producer who has worked with the Flavor Unit.

Add these guys' funk with the pure skill of DJ Royal Tech — he can rap, too — and the lyrics, and the result is an album of dope tracks.

The lyrics are where D-Vell and Pearl come in. They rhyme fast, as in the fleet-tongued title track, and slow, in "Save the Drama." Meanwhile, listeners barely realize the duo is switching back and forth between English and Spanish.

Then they start mixing up lyric styles. On "Funk in the Trunk," they adopt an offbeat style, while on "What U Wanna Do," featuring some raps by Tech, they hit a quick every-syllable style. This is true freestyle versatility.

The group throws in a couple guest spots from Lord Finesse and L-Boogie on "Flip Da Script," and a small spot from Fat Joe da Gangsta on one of the silly shorts between songs.

What really exemplifies the



Courtesy of Atlantic Records

group is the song "Keep It Flowin.'" Freestyle rhymes over eerie funk keep the jeeps pumping and the vibe rolling.

Once they get past the bilingual obstacle, hip-hop fans should find

satisfaction in Mesanjaz of Funk's finished product.

—Greg Schick

"Represent" Fat Joe da Gangsta Relativity/Violator Records

The Bronx delivers yet another "fat" rapper and, once again, this one's no joke.

With a name like Fat Joe, one might conjure up a vision of Arsenio Hall doing his joke gangsta rapper, Chunky A.

But Fat Joe's no joke. His gangsta style is as smooth as any — and truly fat.

"I catch vibes like Count Basic/suckers won't face me/I got so much flavor you can taste me," Joe says on the first single, "Flow Joe," backed by a haunting track.

Joe gets help from big-name production from the likes of Diamond D, Lord Finesse, the Beatnuts and Showbiz.

Hard, rolling bass, sharp snare hits and haunting horns character-

ize what these producers bring to Joe's lyrics. Although there are several producers, the style is definitely Fat Joe's.

"Rappers come heavy, but yo, I weigh a ton/I won't lose weight 'cause I'm not on the run."

Joe turns his fatness into lyrical dope, like no other hardcore fatter before.

Later in the album, he hooks up with heavy hitters such as Grand Puba, Kool G Rap, Apache and King Sun to complement his mid-tempo rhymes.

"When I rock a mic nobody wants to rock next," may be true for most, but not to these good friends.

Other standout tracks include "Da Fat Gangsta," his definition of a "Bad, Bad Man" and "Livin' Fat."

With fat lyrics, tough bass and strong backup from some of rap's elite, Fat Joe is worth a listen. Check it out.

—Greg Schick

Cactus Club * * *

Exp. Sept. 21st 1993.

College Country
Every Tuesday Night
7:30-10:00 AM
Age 15 & up welcome
\$3.00 cover

Free admission with purchase of another admission

Hottest New Country Music
12th & O in the Centrum 476-9500

UNITE

is sponsoring a petition drive for the retrial of Native American political prisoner Jimmy Weddell. Come by the booth in Nebraska Union to sign the petition. T-shirts and hats are also available, including environmental and the Chronic.

Free Computer Classes!

The Computing Resource Center is offering free microcomputer classes to UNL students. The classes will feature an introduction to Microsoft Word for the Macintosh and WordPerfect for IBM machines. No reservations are required.

Introduction to WordPerfect for IBM
Wednesday, September 22 2:30 - 4:00 Sandoz Hall lab

Introduction to Microsoft Word for Macintosh
Wednesday, September 22 3:00 - 4:00 Andrews Hall lab

PERKINS LOAN STUDENTS

Fall semester distribution of Perkins Loan checks will be September 20, 21 and 22, in the Ballroom of the Nebraska Union. Hours of Distribution are 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. each day.

Students must present their student photo ID card to receive a check. Students are also reminded to bring the completed promissory note which was previously mailed to them. Checks not picked up by 4:00 p.m. on the 22nd will be cancelled.

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CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING
CALL 472-2588 FAX 472-1761
6 AM - 1:30 pm Monday-Friday
34 Nebraska Union 1400 R Street
Lincoln, Nebraska 68588-0448

00s For Sale

2 Appliances For Sale
Washer/dryer set. \$200. Call after 5:00. 438-3863.

5 Bicycles For Sale
Cannondale 400R Racing bike. Excellent condition. \$250 OBO. 464-0248.

Clearance sale prices on all '93 Trek, Specialized and KHS bicycles. Cycle Works 27th & Vine.

New and used bicycles, expert repair on all brands. Wheel'n & Deal'n Bike Shop, 2706 Randolph. 438-1477.

10 Books For Sale
A NOVEL IDEA: Now open at 10:00 a.m. Monday-Saturday, 118 No. 14th, 475-TOME.

16 Computers For Sale
Macintosh Performa 200, software, system 7.1, 80 meg hard drive. Barely used. \$900. 466-8149.

Tandy 1000TL, color monitor, IBM printer, \$550. Call between 10-4, 483-1118. Leave message.

foxy Lady

Dance Contest
Every Tuesday
9 p.m.
1823 "O" Street
NO COVER

30 Jewelry For Sale
Ladie's bridal set. Marquee shaped diamond and 12 full cut diamonds. 1/2 carat total weight. Retail: \$2,795. Will sell for \$1,295. 432-4537.

40 Misc. For Sale
Neon beer signs for sale. Call 488-0210 for more information.

70 Ticket Exchange
For Sale: Two NYC Ballet tickets for Fri. Sept. 24. \$40. Please call 464-2903.

WANTED-FOUR NU-CSU FOOTBALL TICKETS FOR SAT. CALL 477-0248.

Wanted: 3 NU vs. CSU tickets. 2 student, 1 validated. Leave message at 438-2619.

Wanted: 5 or 6 CSU tickets together, Sept. 25. 438-5941. Leave message.

Wanted: Three validated tickets for CSU on Sept. 29th. Call Connie at 438-6126.

WANTED: Two NU/CSU football tickets. Please call 467-3037 before 12:30 p.m. Sunday thru Saturday.

90 Vehicles For Sale

86 Bronco II, 5 spd, air, good condition, runs great. Make offer. See at 11th & E. Call Shane 478-7594.

1983 Olds Cutlass Calais, automatic, A/C, AM/FM cassette. Excellent condition, \$3,000 OBO. 474-7117, Ask for Kent.

1980 Chrysler New Yorker, excellent condition, no rust, \$900 OBO. Contact 484-3309.

200s Notices

205 Career Events

CHOOSE THE PATH FOR YOUR FUTURE CAREER!
1993 Career Information Day
Thursday, September 23rd, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. UNL City Campus Union. All students are welcome to come gather career information from top national companies seeking interns and full-time employees. Career help tables and a Career Fashion show (noon to 1 p.m.) are also featured. Don't procrastinate & miss out on this excellent opportunity. For more information call 472-3145.

210 Announcements

"Incest and Healing" Support Group
Offered for women who are survivors of incest or child sexual abuse. The group provides a safe, supportive environment for education and discussion. Meets Thursdays 3:30-5:30 p.m. beginning September 30 in Room 338 Nebraska Union. Attendance at a pre-session is required. Contact Peg Miller at 472-9428 for more information.

AEROBIC INSTRUCTOR TRAINING WORKSHOP
Oct 8, 9 & 10. \$95. Call Kris 423-7171.

Are you tired of the Residence Halls food? Do you need a bigger challenge in life? If you answered yes to both of these, then you should be a part of the new Tau Kappa Epsilon.

TACO SLAM TONIGHT AT 8:00

University Program Council presents Comedian Margaret Cho Friday Oct. 8 at 7pm in the City Union Ballroom. **UNL STUDENTS FREE!** \$3 for public.

Event Staff Needed: ushers, ticket takers, technical & publicity. Info meeting Wed. Sept. 22 at 2:30pm, 117 NU. For more info contact Lia at 472-8146.

CLIMBING CLUB Organizational Meeting
Interested in climbing? A climbing club is forming at UNL! Attend and bring a friend! Thursday night, Sept. 23, 8:30 - 7:30 p.m. in the Campus Recreation Center Conference Room.

Come join the **UNL Lacrosse Team**
Practices Mon. and Tues. 3:30 - 5:30; Wed. and Thurs. 5:30 - 7:30. At Whittier Field (one block north of 23rd and Vine). Call Pete at 438-0671 for information. No experience required.

CRUISE SHIPS NOW HIRING - Earn up to \$2,000+/month + world travel (Hawaii, Mexico, the Caribbean, etc.). Summer and Career employment available. For more information call 1-206-834-0468 ext C5778.

Eating Disorders Support Group
Meets Tuesdays from 3:30-5:00pm in Room 338, Nebraska Union. Offered for women students who think they may have or are recovering from an eating disorder. Contact Peg Miller, 472-9428, for more information.

ENVIRONMENTAL NEWS
KZUM 89.3 FM, 6:30 p.m. Tues.
Local, regional and global issues.

ΦBX Tonight... Fall Rush!!!

Meet tonight in the City Union at 8:30pm. Room will be posted. Be there!!

Former Boy Scouts Wanted!
Starting chapter of Alpha Phi Omega SERVICE Fraternity. Service and friendship in the Scouting tradition. Call Lowell 477-9012.

FRESHMEN
Develop leadership skills and friendships through the Odyssey Program and information at 200 NE Union, the Culture Center and East Campus Union. 472-2454.

GRE PRACTICE EXAM sponsored by Pal Chi, Sept 29th, 8:30 to 10:00 in Burnett Room 120. Cost: \$5. Call Lesley at 464-6492 or Marianne at 438-5089. All interested welcome.

INTRAMURAL DEADLINES
Tuesday, September 21 is the entry deadline for the following Intramural Sports: Ultimate Frisbee Tournament, Golf Tournament, and Men's and Women's Flag Football. There is no additional entry required for Archery and the Placelicking Contest which begins September 21 and October 3, respectively. Tuesday, September 28 is the deadline for Badminton Singles. For more information, call 472-3467.

NEBRASKA AT OXFORD
You too can be one of the "Nebraskans at Oxford" Study business and the arts at Oxford University. The program includes more than just classes. You also will experience traditional English culture including punting on the River Thames, High Tea, attend a Shakespearean play and the Promenade concerts as well as explore London, Bath, Stonehenge, and Stratford. Sign up now for the four-week summer session. Limited spaces available. Dr. Martin Holmes, of Oxford University, is hosting information sessions:

Monday, Sept. 20, 9:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. in CBA 139D
Tuesday, Sept. 21, 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. in CBA 125

Dr. Holmes will also be available for questions or small group discussions on Thursday, September 23, 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. in CBA 125, so feel free to stop by! For more information, contact: Shirley Rosenfeld, CBA 138, or phone 472-2310.

Phi Chi Theta
A National Organization for Women in Business can help you get a head start in the business world through workshops, speakers, and mentoring programs. If interested, attend a membership reception (semi-professional attire) to be held Sept. 21 or 22 at 5:30pm. Room posted in Nebraska Union. Freshmen through seniors welcome!

Plan for Spring Break, Christmas, or next summer to Fort Lauderdale, FL! \$430 includes hotels (one week for two persons), but not airfare. Tammy 487-4605.

Sand Volleyball Tournament 6 person coed, Saturday, October 2 at McCormack's. \$30 entry fee, 5 cash prizes. Two levels of play. Sign up by Sept 29. Call 436-9890. Proceeds benefit HOBY Alumni Association.

Sexual Assault Survivor's Support Group
Meets Tuesdays from 5:00-6:30pm in room 338, Nebraska Union. Offered for women who have experienced an assault or attempted assault, by a stranger or acquaintance. Contact Peg Miller, 472-9428 for more information.

SKYDIVE!
Jump out of a perfectly good airplane. Crete Skydiving Center, Inc. 464-2929.

SPEND SEPTEMBER IN THE WOMEN'S CENTER

- **Women in Human Services & Volunteerism—Christina Godfrey of the Malone Center, September 23, 11:30-1 p.m.
- **Latina Reading & Discussion Group—discussing works by Latina writers, September 27, 8:30-9 p.m.
- **Women's Health Care & Pregnancy—Susan Powers/Alexander of Planned Parenthood, September 30, 2-4:00 p.m.

All discussions held in Room 338 in the NE Union.