

Boyz uses rap to teach about Indian life

Editor's Note: This is the last story in a weeklong series exploring the contributions of American and Canadian Indians to the world music scene.



By Jill O'Brien
Staff Reporter

A new generation of American and Canadian Indians has begun to follow the oral traditions of its elders — but in a unique way.

Robby Bee, a Sioux Indian from Albuquerque, N.M., called it pow-wow hip-hop, Redhouse swing and American reggae.

But what it really boils down to is rap, he said.

"Rap is now. Rap is the medium, the genre kids listen to," Bee said.

Bee, 20, quoted Shakespeare more than once as he talked about his brand of hip-hop music.

"I like poetry in general, but rap is a way of educating people," he said. "You can say something in every beat."

Bee is a record producer at SOAR, his father Tom Bee's record label. When he is not producing, he's out on the road with his group,

The Boyz from the Rez.

The Boyz are Mike Davis, an African-American Seminole Indian; Doug Sandoval, a Pueblo Indian; and Darren Gordy, a Navajo Indian.

"We're trying to break through the stereotyped image people have of Native Americans," Bee said. "And music is a very powerful way to reach the soul and being of a person. You can say more in a three-minute song than three years on Capitol Hill."

And the Boyz should know. They performed on Capitol Hill during President Clinton's inauguration.

"We didn't pull any punches," Bee said. "We played what's on the album."

The album, "Reservation of Education," transforms Bee's original lyrics into rap statements about Indian life and history.

"History is not taught right at school," Bee said. "If you're black or an Indian, you feel embarrassed."

"History used to make me feel like a loser, a second-class citizen. Whenever a teacher started talking about Native Americans, you just wanted to slink down in your chair and hide."

"The problem is a lot of the native kids are still fed this."

That's why Bee's raps are directed at young adults.

"The children are the future of the world," he said. "They're the ones you want to reach."

People in the spotlight need to



Courtesy of Marcia Riefman

Robby Bee produces rap music to break through stereotypes about Native Americans.

be role models because impressionable children are watching, Bee said.

All the Boys from the Rez take their status as role models seriously, he said.

"We're not pro-red, just pro-

people, but we do have to take care of our own kind," he said. "We want to be a success and make it easier for the next generation."

"Because we're such a small population, we cannot afford to have failures."

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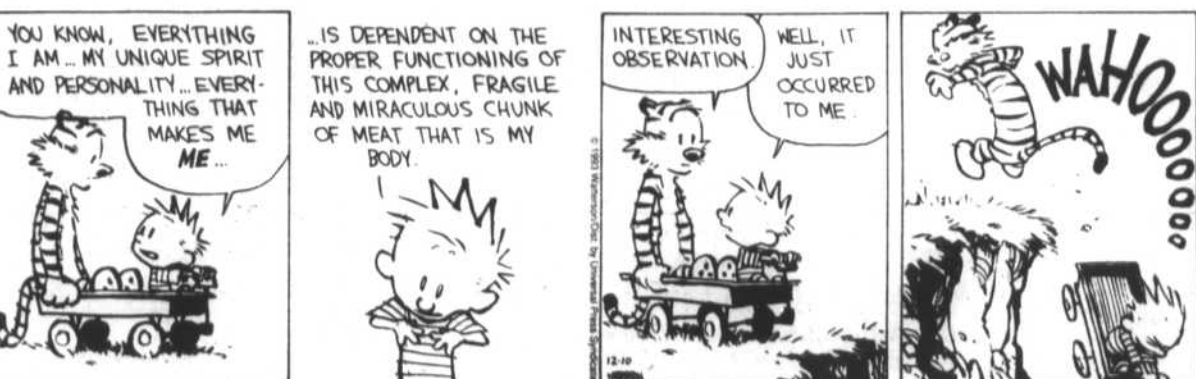
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To the Ladies of Α Phi: Thanks for having us over! We had a great time "mixin" with you. We look forward to getting together again.
Love, The Ladies of Alpha Delta Pi

Ice

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said the whole process created an incredible atmosphere for the performance.

And when the show is over, the crew shuts down the system and sledge-hammers the ice into chunks. The chunks are then shoveled out of the theatre and dumped elsewhere, he said. He said the clean up process required little time.

"When it comes to strike it down, there's no more water left," he said. "You do have a mound of ice left until spring, though."

He said it would take only three hours to disassemble the ice and prepare the theatre for a show choir performance on Sunday.

Moore said he never had any problems with the ice.

"If anything happened, we'd drop the temperature of the stage and open up the loading dock doors to cool things down," he said.

Moore said the entire process was developed by professional ice skater and silver medalist Don Yontz.

Carl Zahn, secretary treasurer for the Yontz Corporation - entertainment production services, said Yontz designed all the machines for the procedure.

"He's engineered everything for Cypress Gardens, Sea World and a variety of other theme parks on the east coast," Zahn said.

The first performance of "Nutcracker on Ice" is Friday at 8 p.m. It continues Saturday at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Tickets are \$24, \$20, and \$16, and are half-price for students.

Congratulations to the new Alpha Gamma Rho 1994 Officers: Nobel Ruler - Scott Ford; Alumni Relations, Marty Hegland; Membership Development - Will Williams; Operations - Troy David; Finance - Jim Boerner; New Member Education - Jeff Bohuslavsky; Planning - Greg Hansen; Scholarship - Clint Fuchs; Activities - Mike McFarland; Recruitment - Nick Wilhelm and Clayton Glauser; IFC Representative - Tyler Roth; Assst. Treasurer - Lyndon McKeever; Social Chair- Erik Olsen.

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Good Luck next year girls—Tri Delta's in great hands with all of you!

Good luck Megan M. and Mary B. on your trips to France. We will miss you. Goodbye to all the seniors leaving in December. We will miss you all very much. Thanks for all you have done for ADPI over the years.
Loyalty, Your Alpha Delta Pi Sisters

ΚΑ
Good luck Shannon P. in Omaha. We will miss you! Good luck with finals! Aim for a 4.0.

ΘΕ
Congratulations A-team volleyball for an undefeated season and the A league championship! Good luck in all university.

ΘΕ
Dating in the '90s is like getting your tongue stuck to a cold metal pole. Thanks for showing us the easy way. You guys are stallions.
The DG Bachelorettes

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Stop, drop, and roll! You guys never cease to amaze us. Thanks for the X-mas tree and decorations. Merry X-Mas. The DGs

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