

Entertainment

Peter Gabriel Finds Love and Steam In 'US'

By Kimberly Bartles

Peter Gabriel's latest compact disc entitled "US" is mostly about relationships, as the title connotes. The CD is a mixture of very peaceful relaxing songs and upbeat danceable songs. Gabriel is a master of moods. He takes you on a musical trip

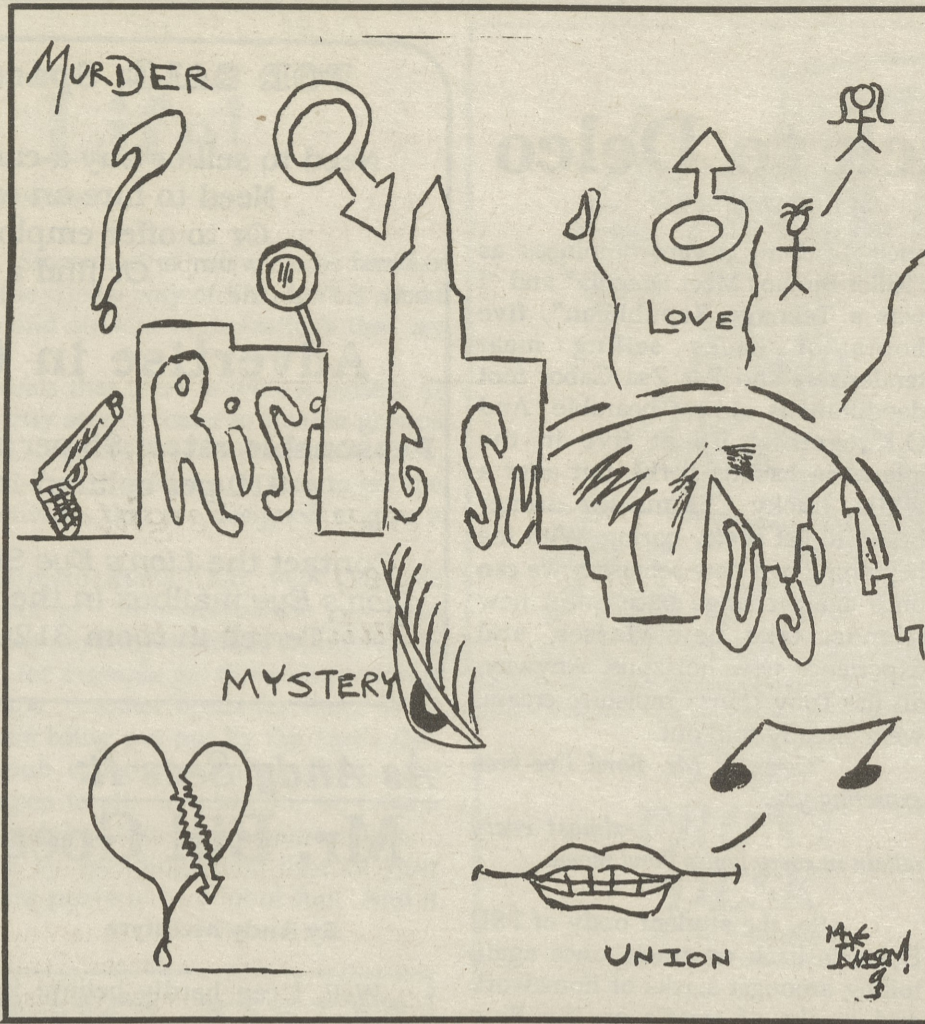
The inside of the CD cover displays various mixed media works of art by different artists that go along with each song. The artists are from all over the world; Scotland, Ireland, England, and Germany, to the USA and all the way to Israel, Ethiopia, Evrugo, and Cameroon.

On the inside of the CD cover a quote from Gabriel is found, "Much of this record is about relationships. I am dedicating it to all those who have taught me about loving and being loved." Half of the songs on the CD are about relationships and love. The first song entitled "Come Talk To Me" is a beautiful song about breaking down the barriers and talking to one another. Gabriel's song entitled "Love to be Loved" is about needing comfort and, of course, love. A verse of the song I thought was full of emotion and feeling was "And in this moment, I need to be needed. With this darkness all around me, I like to be liked. In this emptiness and fear I want to be wanted." The song entitled "Blood of Eden" has a very moving chorus to it. Gabriel has a way of singing that gives it a haunting quality. I was surprised to find that Sinéad O'Connor sings backup vocals in the song. The "Blood of Eden" is about the union of man and woman in the Garden of Eden. Gabriel's songs have a way about them where you can close your eyes and see the music.

Speaking of seeing music, I'm sure if you watch MTV you've seen Gabriel's computerized videos for the songs "Steam" and "Digging in the Dirt". The videos themselves are works of art, let alone the songs. "Steam" is one of his upbeat songs that puts you in a good mood. Gabriel has a way with words where they just bounce along in perfect rhythm whether they make sense or not. "Digging in the Dirt" is about searching through the past and coming to face with things that may have hurt.

Gabriel has a wide variety of instruments in his music, some of them I had never heard of. He has sabar drums, a drum loop, shakers, telecasters, bagpipes, a doudouk, a tabla, a Ney flute, a djembe, a tama, a mandolin, a talking drum and a surdu.

I really enjoy listening to the CD over and over again. I would recommend it if you're a Gabriel fan because it surpasses his past works, and even if you're not a fan, like I wasn't, maybe you will be after you listen to it.



Library Displays Paintings By Chester County Artist

The paintings of Chester County artist Steven Janney are currently on exhibit in the Library Learning Center through February 10.

Janney is widely appreciated for his unique painting style, featuring extraordinary subtlety in colors and textures, and witty titles, such as *Tuna Season on the*

Brandywine, or You've Got a Peculiar Way of Showing It.

The exhibit is sponsored by the University's Friends of the Tim Mark Endowment, which encourages emerging artists.

Exhibit hours are 7:30 AM - 9:30 PM Monday through Thursday and 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM on Fridays.

Environmental Volunteers: Many Openings Available

Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge and Apostle Islands National Lakeshore in Wisconsin are just two stunning areas seeking students and other adults committed to improving the environment. The Student Conservation Association (SCA) is offering approximately 1,100 expense-paid volunteer positions nationwide throughout 1993 in conservation, resource management, and environmental education. Currently SCA is accepting applications for positions offered for the summer/fall season.

Participants selected for SCA programs contribute their time and skills towards the protection and management of natural resources within national parks, forests, wildlife refuges, and other resource areas.

SAC operates two core programs: the 12-week Resource Assistant Program for persons 18 or older, and the 4-5 week High School Program for students aged 16-18.

Resource Assistant volunteers receive a grant for round trip transportation to their program area, a weekly stipend to offset living expenses, free housing, and a uniform allowance, if required.

Applications received by the following dates increase the chance of acceptance for a Resource Assistant position:

March 1, 1993 Positions beginning May-July 1993

June 1, 1993 Positions beginning Aug-Sept 1993

SCA offers programs throughout the year. Additional opportunities will be available during the winter of 1993/94. Anyone interested in participating or learning more about SCA programs should contact:

SCA, P.O. Box 550, Charlestown, NH 03603, (603) 543-1828.

Loads Of Fun And Excitement In 'Rising Sun'

By David J. Lawrence

Rising Sun, the latest in a great line of works (*The Andromeda Strain*, *Jurassic Park*, and *The Terminal Man* to name a few) by Michael Crichton is definitely Required Reading.

This book lures you into itself with the mysterious murder of a beautiful woman in a downtown L.A. office building on the night of its gala opening. It then grips the reader in a roller coaster ride of mystery, suspense, and more plot twists than you can shake a stick at. Just when you think you've figured it out, Mr. Crichton lets you know just why he is considered one of the best. It'll keep you in suspense until the end.

But it's much more than that. It delves into Japanese business practices and skims the the very culture of the country. As is normal with Michael Crichton, the novel is well researched and the author invites, no implores, that you read further into the subject of Japanese business practices.

Some may say that *Rising Sun* harbors "Japan Bashing" or even racism. But there is no racism here, just the truth, the truth of America's unstable seat in the future of world economy.

Rising Sun is soon to be released as a major motion picture

"Mr. Crichton lets you know just why he is considered one of the best."

starring Sean Connory and Wesly Snipes.

All doubts about Mr. Crichton's skill at crafting a suspenseful thriller are to be checked at the door. I'm giving *Rising Sun* four stars and two thumbs up.

♥ You know who you are
There's just something about you, possibly in your eyes...
You know who I am ♥

♥ DADDY
Thanks for the show.
TORI ♥

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