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Rebel Music in the Triumphant Empire Microcosm Publishing

For anyone who has ever felt like they don't belong, Sigh, Gone shares an irreverent, funny, and moving tale of displacement and assimilation woven together with poignant themes from beloved works of classic literature. In 1975, during the fall of Saigon, Phuc Tran immigrates to America along with his family. By sheer chance they land in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, a small town where the Trans struggle to assimilate into their new life. In this coming-of-age memoir told through the themes of great books such as *The Metamorphosis*, *The Scarlet Letter*, *The Iliad*, and more, Tran navigates the push and pull of finding and accepting himself despite the challenges of immigration, feelings of isolation, and teenage rebellion, all while attempting to meet the rigid expectations set by his immigrant parents. Appealing to fans of coming-of-age memoirs such as *Fresh Off the Boat*, *Running with Scissors*, or tales of assimilation like Viet Thanh Nguyen's *The Displaced* and *The Refugees*, Sigh, Gone explores one man's bewildering experiences of abuse, racism, and tragedy and reveals redemption and connection in books and punk rock. Against the hairspray-and-synthesizer backdrop of the '80s, he finds solace and kinship in the wisdom of classic literature, and in the subculture of punk rock, he finds affirmation and echoes of his disaffection. In his journey for self-discovery Tran ultimately finds refuge and inspiration in the art that shapes—and ultimately saves—him.

A Visit from the Goon Squad Da Capo Press

Seminar paper from the year 2005 in the subject American Studies - Culture and Applied Geography, grade: 1,0, Dresden Technical University, course: The Reagan 80s and the Clinton 90s, 17 entries in the bibliography, language: English, abstract: This paper works with the underlying assumptions of Dick Hebdige's study of subcultures. Here, the word subculture is used synonymously to youth culture, which is a contrast to Stefanie Grimm's *Die Repräsentation von Männlichkeit im Punk und Rap*, where she defines subculture as a necessary step for groups that are rejected by the mainstream and thus have to find their semi-invisible niche. She specifically names the gay culture. Youth cultures, Grimm writes, are at the border of subcultures and popular culture.¹ But since youth cultures are as much a mystery to mainstream society as for example the gay culture, I choose not to make a difference between the words. After a short introduction to the theory of subcultures and

especially theory in punk and hardcore, this paper aims to discuss the youth cultures' similarities and differences, the reasons for changes and continuity in the scene, and the relation to politics. Sources cited will include academic texts, popular texts like Andy Greenwald's book *Nothing Feels Good. Punk Rock, Teenagers, and Emo*, as well as original voices from the scene, for example collected in interviews by Beth Lahicky for her book *All Ages. Reflections on Straight Edge*. As music is the starting point of all discussed youth cultures, there will also be comment on exemplary lyrics. Most of the last chapter on the latest form of punk rock, emo, will be in interview style. To date there is one book written on emo. The author Andy Greenwald offers his readers an online messageboard to discuss his work, emo and everything related to it. He actively participates in the discussion and was so kind to answer my questions.

Doxology Random House

We are living in *A Punk Rock Future*. It seems like it more and more every day! In *A Punk Rock Future*, twenty-six fantasy and science fiction authors mash up punk rock music and speculative fiction in both near and far future visions. There's a freecycle nation skateboarding and intentional community story, another about a band like The Clash playing a mind-blowing gig on Mars, and an anti-fascism flash fiction featuring two amused ravens. And 23 more future punk stories. *A Punk Rock Future* includes stories from Steven Assarian, Stewart C Baker, Matt Bechtel, Michael Harris Cohen, P.A. Cornell, M. Lopes da Silva, R. K. Duncan, Anthony W. Eichenlaub, Spencer Ellsworth, Maria Haskins, Margaret Killjoy, Jordan Kurella, Priscilla D. Layne, Wendy Nickel, Charles Payseur, Kurt Pankau, Sarah Pinsker, Zandra Renwick, dave ring, Jennifer Lee Rossman, Josh Rountree, Erica L. Satifka, Vaughan Stanger, Marie Vibbert, Dawn Vogel, Izzy Wasserstein, and Corey J. White.

NOFX Little, Brown

A snarky, fact-filled look at the people and places that made the indie/punk scene what it is today The American underground music scene is exploding everywhere—not just in New York City and L.A. (although we've got those cities covered too!): In Washington, D.C. . . . Ian MacKaye and Fugazi inspired the straightedge culture, which had kids everywhere drawing black X's on their hands in magic marker. In Omaha, Nebraska . . . A young Conor Oberst, aka Bright Eyes, started writing and performing gut-wrenching

love songs at the tender age of thirteen. On Long Island, New York . . . Taking Back Sunday and Brand New battled for emo supremacy and the fragile hearts of a million teenage girls. From the coauthor of the cult-worthy *Everybody Hurts: An Essential Guide to Emo Culture* comes *Wish You Were Here*—a combination travel guide and tortured history covering everything from what constitutes proper rock critic etiquette in Minneapolis to why pop-punk bands in Chicago have so much suburban angst, to how freegans in the Bay Area can feed themselves on a budget that would make frugal Rachael Ray's face blush.

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Hey Suburbia: A Guide to the Emo/Pop-Punk Rise chronicles the music of the Warped Tour generation that launched bands like Paramore and My Chemical Romance into superstardom. Music journalist Mike Damante covered the genre for one of the largest media companies in North America, and has compiled the stories of 1990s-2000s emo and pop-punk explosion as told by himself, the bands, publicists, and the fans who never stopped listening. Featuring interviews with blink-182, Taking Back Sunday, Descendents, Dashboard Confessional, New Found Glory, Good Charlotte, Alkaline Trio, The Get Up Kids, Motion City Soundtrack, Saves The Day and others. *Hey Suburbia: A Guide to the Emo/Pop-Punk Rise* is a new anthem for your underground.

Damaged Mariner Books

“ Collects some of [Punk Planet ’ s] best interviews from the past half-decade . . . serves as a reminder that punk is not just music but a movement. ” —The A.V. Club Updated with six more interviews and a new introduction, the expanded edition of *We Owe You Nothing* is the definitive book of conversations with the underground ’ s greatest minds from the pages of Punk Planet. New interviews include talks with bands like The Gossip and Maritime, a conversation with punk legend Bob Mould, and more . . . in addition to the classic interviews from the original edition: Ian MacKaye, Jello Biafra, Thurston Moore, Noam Chomsky, Kathleen Hanna, Black Flag, Sleater-Kinney, Steve Albini, Frank Kozik, Art Chantry, and others. “ *We Owe You Nothing* made me feel vital and alive. ” —Seattle Weekly “ The magazine Punk Planet has quietly been one of the most intelligent voices in the kingdom of punk and post-punk . . . [and] anyone with the vaguest interest in music would be well-served to learn from these captured moments [in *We Owe You Nothing*]. ” —Detroit Metro Times “ No book has illustrated this relationship between punk and its believers more than *We Owe You Nothing*. ” —Daily Herald “ Straight talk with no bullshit, no spin. The result is an airblast of honesty, an antidote of attitude. Music fans will love this book, and so will fans of independent thinking. ” —Flagpole “ A wholly unique vision wrought not by consensus but by cultural cynicism and never-say-die musical populism. ” —Magnet

More Fun in the New World University of Texas Press

The candid, hilarious, shocking, occasionally horrifying, and surprisingly moving New York Times bestselling autobiography of punk legends NOFX, their own story in their own words *NOFX: The Hepatitis Bathtub and Other Stories* is the first tell-all autobiography from one of the world's most influential and controversial punk bands. Alongside hilarious anecdotes about pranks and drunkenness and teenage failures—featuring the trademark NOFX sense of humor—the book also shares the ugliness and horror the band members experienced on the road to becoming DIY millionaires. Fans and non-fans alike will be shocked by stories of murder, suicide, addiction, counterfeiting, riots, bondage, terminal illness, the Yakuza, and pee...lots and lots of pee. Told by each of the band members (and two former members), *NOFX* looks back at more than thirty years of comedy, tragedy, and completely inexplicable success.

We're Not Here to Entertain Oxford University Press

This sequel to Grammy-nominated bestseller *Under the Big Black Sun* continues the up-close and personal account of

the L.A. punk scene—and includes fifty rare photos. Picking up where *Under the Big Black Sun* left off, *More Fun in the New World* explores the years 1982 to 1987, covering the dizzying pinnacle of L.A.'s punk rock movement as its stars took to the national—and often international—stage. Detailing the eventual splintering of punk into various sub-genres, the second volume of John Doe and Tom DeSavia's west coast punk history portrays the rich cultural diversity of the movement and its characters, the legacy of the scene, how it affected other art forms, and ultimately influenced mainstream pop culture. The book also pays tribute to many of the fallen soldiers of punk rock, the pioneers who left the world much too early but whose influence hasn't faded. As with *Under the Big Black Sun*, the book features stories of triumph, failure, stardom, addiction, recovery, and loss as told by the people who were influential in the scene, with a cohesive narrative from authors Doe and DeSavia. Along with many returning voices, *More Fun in the New World* weaves in the perspectives of musicians Henry Rollins, Fishbone, Billy Zoom, Mike Ness, Jane Weidlin, Keith Morris, Dave Alvin, Louis P é rez, Charlotte Caffey, Peter Case, Chip Kinman, Maria McKee, and Jack Grisham, among others. And renowned artist/illustrator Shepard Fairey, filmmaker Allison Anders, actor Tim Robbins, and pro-skater Tony Hawk each contribute chapters on punk's indelible influence on the artistic spirit. In addition to stories of success, the book also offers a cautionary tale of an art movement that directly inspired commercially diverse acts such as Green Day, Rancid, Red Hot Chili Peppers, Wilco, and Neko Case. Readers will find themselves rooting for the purists of punk juxtaposed with the MTV-dominating rock superstars of the time who flaunted a "born to do this, it couldn't be easier" attitude that continued to fuel the flames of new music. *More Fun in the New World* follows the progression of the first decade of L.A. punk, its conclusion, and its cultural rebirth.

We Owe You Nothing Harper Collins

Once I started, I couldn't stop. It felt like falling down the stairs.... Meet David Gould: abandoned by his girlfriend, pushing the deadline for his first book, tormented by writer's block, and obsessed with the impossibly sexy, overwhelmingly alive diaries young people keep online. Outside it's a beautiful, Brooklyn summer. But inside his apartment David is sleeping in, screening calls, draining beer after beer, and dreaming of Miss Misery -- aka twenty-two-year-old provocateur Cath Kennedy -- a total stranger with impeccable music taste and an enviable nightlife. Now meet David Gould online. Here, in his fictional diary, he's a downtown DJ and an inveterate night owl, drinking and charming countless girls until the sun comes up. But when Miss Misery moves to New York City and begins canoodling with an insufferable hipster, David's diary mysteriously begins updating itself. The reason? David Gould has a doppelg ä nger, an obnoxious shadow set on claiming David's newly glamorous life as his own. Even worse for David, the phone calls from his editor are becoming increasingly desperate, and the voice mails from his girlfriend -- an ocean away -- are becoming more and more distant. And then there are all of the instant messages from seventeen-year-old Ashleigh Bortch, an emo kid in Salt Lake City with an inappropriate crush on David and a knack for showing up at precisely the wrong time. Forced out of his apartment, David Gould is facing the fight of his life. With humor, heart, and a vibrant, genre-jumping soundtrack, Andy Greenwald captures the essence of what it means to be young and struggling with identity in the new century. From cyberspace to nightclub bathrooms, from New York City to Utah, *Miss Misery* is a fast-paced, funny story about the timeless need to become the main character in your own life.

GRIN Verlag

Punk rock culture in a preeminently average town Synonymous with American mediocrity, Peoria was fertile ground for the boredom- and anger-fueled fury of punk rock. Jonathan Wright and Dawson Barrett explore the do-it-yourself scene built by Peoria punks, performers, and scenesters in the 1980s and 1990s. From fanzines to indie record shops to renting the VFW hall for an all-ages show, Peoria's punk culture reflected the movement elsewhere, but the city's conservatism and industrial decline offered a richer-than-usual target environment for rebellion. Eyewitness accounts take readers into hangouts and long-lost venues, while interviews with the people who were there trace the ever-changing scene and varied fortunes of local legends like Caustic Defiance, Dollface, and Planes Mistaken for Stars. What emerges is a sympathetic portrait of a youth culture in search of entertainment but just as hungry for community—the shared sense of otherness

that, even for one night only, could unite outsiders and discontents under the banner of music. A raucous look at a small-city underground, *Punks in Peoria* takes readers off the beaten track to reveal the punk rock life as lived in Anytown, U.S.A.

Hey Suburbia Oxford University Press, USA

At the dawn of the 1990s, as the United States celebrated its victory in the Cold War and sole superpower status by waging war on Iraq and proclaiming democratic capitalism as the best possible society, the 1990s underground punk renaissance transformed the punk scene into a site of radical opposition to American empire. Nazi skinheads were ejected from the punk scene; apathetic attitudes were challenged; women, Latino, and LGBTQ participants asserted their identities and perspectives within punk; the scene debated the virtues of maintaining DIY purity versus venturing into the musical mainstream; and punks participated in protest movements from animal rights to stopping the execution of Mumia Abu-Jamal to shutting down the 1999 WTO meeting. Punk lyrics offered strident critiques of American empire, from its exploitation of the Third World to its warped social relations. Numerous subgenres of punk proliferated to deliver this critique, such as the blazing hardcore punk of bands like Los Crudos, propagandistic crust-punk/dis-core, grindcore and power violence with tempos over 800 beats per minute, and So-Cal punk with its combination of melody and hardcore. Musical analysis of each of these styles and the expressive efficacy of numerous bands reveals that punk is not merely simplistic three-chord rock music, but a genre that is constantly revolutionizing itself in which nuances of guitar riffs, vocal timbres, drum beats, and song structures are deeply meaningful to its audience, as corroborated by the robust discourse in punk zines.

Post Macmillan

When it began, punk was an underground revolution that raged against the mainstream; now punk is the mainstream. Tracing the origins of Grammy-winning icons Green Day and the triumphant resurgence of neo-punk legends Bad Religion through MTV's embrace of pop-punk bands like Yellowcard, music journalist Matt Diehl explores the history of new punk, exposing how this once cult sound became a blockbuster commercial phenomenon. Diehl follows the history and controversy behind neo-punk—from the Offspring's move from a respected indie label to a major, to multi-platinum bands Good Charlotte and Simple Plan's unrepentant commercial success, through the survival of genre iconoclasts the Distillers and the rise of "emo" superstars like Fall Out Boy. My So-Called Punk picks up where bestselling authors Legs McNeil and Jon Savage left off, conveying how punk went from the Sex Pistol's "Anarchy in the U.K." to anarchy in the O.C. via the Warped Tour. Defining the sound of today's punk, telling the stories behind the bands that have brought it to the masses and discussing the volatile tension between the culture's old and new factions, *My So-Called Punk* is the go-to book for a new generation of punk rock fans.

Punk USA Wiley

Bob Mould, Grant Hart, and Greg Norton formed Hüsker Dü in 1979 as a wildly cathartic outfit fueled by a cocktail of anger, volume, and velocity. Here's the first book to dissect the trio that countless critics and musicians have cited as one of the most influential bands of the 1980s. Author Andrew Earles examines how Hüsker Dü became the first hardcore band to marry pop melodies with psychedelic influences and ear-shattering volume. Readers witness the band create the untouchable noise-pop of LPs like *New Day Rising*, *Flip Your Wig*, and *Candy Apple Grey*, not to mention the sprawling double-length *Zen Arcade*. Few bands from the original American indie movement did more to inform the alternative rock styles that breached the mainstream in the 1990s. Hüsker Dü truly were visionaries.

Nothing Feels Good Simon and Schuster

Named a Best Book of the Year by: *The New York Times* * *New York Magazine* * *Lit Hub* * *TIME* * *O, the Oprah Magazine* * *Good Housekeeping* Two generations of an American family come of age—one before 9/11, one after—in this moving and original novel from the “intellectually restless, uniquely funny” (New

York Times Book Review) mind of Nell Zink Pam, Daniel, and Joe might be the worst punk band on the Lower East Side. Struggling to scrape together enough cash and musical talent to make it, they are waylaid by surprising arrivals—a daughter for Pam and Daniel, a solo hit single for Joe. As the '90s wane, the three friends share in one another's successes, working together to elevate Joe's superstardom and raise baby Flora. On September 11, 2001, the city's unfathomable devastation coincides with a shattering personal loss for the trio. In the aftermath, Flora comes of age, navigating a charged political landscape and discovering a love of the natural world. Joining the ranks of those fighting for ecological conservation, Flora works to bridge the wide gap between powerful strategists and ordinary Americans, becoming entangled ever more intimately with her fellow activists along the way. And when the country faces an astonishing new threat, Flora's family will have no choice but to look to the past—both to examine wounds that have never healed, and to rediscover strengths they have long forgotten. At once an elegiac takedown of today's political climate and a touching invocation of humanity's goodness, *Doxology* offers daring revelations about America's past and possible future that could only come from Nell Zink, one of the sharpest novelists of our time.

The Life & Times of Malcolm McLaren Da Capo Press

Looks at the roots, stages, artists, and fans of emo music along with a critical analysis of the genre.

The First Rule of Punk Flatiron Books

Many remember the 1980s as the era of Ronald Reagan, a conservative decade populated by preppies and yuppies dancing to a soundtrack of electronic synth pop music. In some ways, it was the "MTV generation." However, the decade also produced some of the most creative works of punk culture, from the music of bands like the Minutemen and the Dead Kennedys to avant-garde visual arts, literature, poetry, and film. In *We're Not Here to Entertain*, Kevin Mattson documents what Kurt Cobain once called a "punk rock world"—the all-encompassing hardcore-indie culture that incubated his own talent. Mattson shows just how widespread the movement became—ranging across the nation, from D.C. through Ohio and Minnesota to LA—and how democratic it was due to its commitment to Do-It-Yourself (DIY) tactics. Throughout, Mattson puts the movement into a wider context, locating it in a culture war that pitted a blossoming punk scene against the new president. Reagan's talk about end days and nuclear warfare generated panic; his tax cuts for the rich and simultaneous slashing of school lunch program funding made punks, who saw themselves as underdogs, seethe at his meanness. The anger went deep, since punks saw Reagan as the country's entertainer-in-chief; his career, from radio to Hollywood and television, synched to the very world punks rejected. Through deep archival research, Mattson reignites the heated debates that punk's opposition generated in that era—about everything from "straight edge" ethics to anarchism to the art of dissent. By reconstructing the world of punk, Mattson demonstrates that it was more than just a style of purple hair and torn jeans. In so doing, he reminds readers of punk's importance and its challenge to simplistic assumptions about the 1980s as a one-dimensional, conservative epoch.

Everybody Hurts Harper Collins

Looks at the roots, stages, artists, and fans of emo music along with a critical analysis of the genre.

Gainesville Punk Mango Media Inc.

A deep dive into the cultural, social, and psychological impact that the emo scene had on pop culture—featuring inside stories from music legends. Though music always comes from a unique time and place, its influence can be timeless and universal. In the 1990s and 2000s, an explosion of indie, emo, and punk rock carried a raw emotional that has resonated with listeners ever since. In *From the Basement*, music journalist Taylor Markarian examines the underground emo scene that had an indelible influence on popular culture. Markarian grew up in the emo scene. She's been backstage with Hawthorne Heights and appeared in a Senses Fail music video. With her intimate perspective, she explores not only the music itself but its fans and creators. With extensive band interviews and an exploration of music's relationship to culture and mental health, *From the Basement* demonstrates that there's much more to emo than black eyeliner and colored Converse.

The First Collection of Criticism by a Living Female Rock Critic Da Capo Press

What is emo? For starters it's a form of melodic, confessional, or EMOtional punk rock. But emo is more than a genre of music – it's the defining counterculture movement of the '00s. EVERYBODY HURTS is a reference book for emo, tracing its angsty roots all the way from Shakespeare to Holden Caulfield to today's most popular bands. There's nothing new about that perfect chocolate and peanut butter combination – – teenagers and angst. What is new is that emo is the first cultural movement born on the internet. With the development of early social networking sites like Make Out Club (whose mission is to unite "like – minded nerds, loners, indie rockers, record collectors, video gamers, hardcore kids, and artists through friendship, music, and sometimes even love") outcast teens had a place to find each other and share their pain, their opinions, and above all, their music – which wasn't available for sale at the local record store. Authors Leslie Simon and Trevor Kelley lead the reader through the world of emo including its ideology, music, and fashion, as well as its influences on film, television, and literature. With a healthy dose of snark and sarcasm, EVERYBODY HURTS uses diagrams, illustrations, timelines, and step – by – step instructions to help the reader successfully achieve the ultimate emo lifestyle. Or, alternately, teach him to spot an emo kid across the mall in order to mock him mercilessly.

Nothing Feels Good Arcadia Publishing

POST is a look at how post-hardcore/emo music developed since its unintentional inception in the mid-1980s. With each chapter broken up by influential band or label, it focuses on a broad style of independent music that developed because of the Do-It-Yourself (DIY) ethic. Focusing on bands like Fugazi, Jawbox, Jawbreaker, Sunny Day Real Estate, Braid, the Promise Ring, Hot Water Music, the Get Up Kids, At the Drive-In, and Jimmy Eat World, as well as labels like Dischord, Jade Tree, and Vagrant, these bands and labels came from the ideas of DIY and sustained them. In turn, they inspired plenty that came after them. Looking at the surroundings and circumstances from where they came, this a look at the bonds that formed and the music that came out. ". . . a gripping, Our Band Could Be Your Life-style narrative," - Aaron Burgess, writer for Alternative Press and Revolver.