the Extinct

By John LeBas

ugmenting funky, driving rhythms and tough guitar dynamics with folk and rock melodies, the Extinct is playing tonight at The Tap to promote its debut album, Ouch

Now veterans of the Los Angeles contemporary rock scene, the Extinct initially formed to play a show in anticipation of vocalist Natalie Wattre's pen pal's 1989 visit to California.

Vocalist Jennifer DaRe, who along with Wattre and guitarist Dave Williams remains from this original incarnation, said the Extinct ended up playing for the next eight months without a rhythm section. 'Now I can't even picture

that because we're so diverse," The current band lineup in-

cludes Doug Townsley on bass and Scott Sadlon on drums. In the years following this start-up period, the Extinct began to play extensively throughout Los

Angeles and the surrounding area. "There was one year when we played four or five times a week,"

DaRe said.
With this experience, the Extinct developed its sound and style, melding the different backgrounds

driving, emotional guitar work, combined with DaRe's high, clean voice and Wattre's throatier vocals, create harmonious songs of self-realization.

"Some of the stuff is more emotionally based, and some is more groove-oriented," DaRe said, with as many harmonies as we can shove in.

The songs, although often about "getting screwed over," are more upbeat, DaRe said.

"I think because there's a heavy sense of groove, we want to get songs across in a way that people can get the point of song, but not feel down after hearing

DaRe said she cannot compare this style to that of other bands, but fans have told her the Extinct has elements of Concrete Blonde, 10,000 Maniacs and even Sly and the Family Stone.

She said the members' varied personal musical influences do not obviously affect the Extinct's sound.

"I like a lot of the new stuff, like Blues Traveler," DaRe said.

Other influences include Live, Dave Matthews Band, James Taylor, Van Morrison, Lou Reed and Sam Cook

"But we don't directly correlate our influences to what we do," she said.

Interested instead in promot-

cently as the opening act for Pauly Shore tour. This afford the band valuable experience playing before large crowds. We played for a total

tour," DaRe said. "One of those shows, we ended up playing for 11,000 people at once. After that, the Extinct was psyched up to begin its own ma-

about 70,000 people on tha

After recording Ouch and filming a video for "You, On My Mind," the Extinct hit the road DaRe said successful touring and the band's growing far

base are encouraging. "I think that good songwri ing and audience response ha kept us going," she said 'Things are better now than they have ever been."

The Extinct has become a fultime job, and DaRe said she now looking toward the "next let el" of success.

Of course, this will be the sult of more hard work and wa of mouth among loyal fans.

"The most important thin about this is that we're doing i independently, and we have hand in everything we do," sh said. "I think we've proven that we can persist.

"If people dig what we're doing pass the word; because the more people we have pushing, the more

and talents of each member.

DaRe said Williams' rocky reing its own unique rock, the Exlationship with his father and his tinct expanded its exposure re-

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no rush to push the growth of the

"I'm enjoying the fact that the growth has been slow, but at the same time, it's been exponential," he said. "When people get inside the music, they seem to get in too hard, and it means something to them. It's nice for people to under-

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which can be fragile.

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Texas in a simple format. Mallonee said that every night's show is different, depending on the

members' mood. "It also depends on how big the place is," he said. "It could be poppier, or stripped-down acoustic -

This is the reason for the acoustic set scheduled at Hastings prior to the Dixie Theatre show.

"At the Dixie Theatre show we'll probably play a pretty cranked-up set, with a few acoust songs," he said. "But we like to do sets like the one at Hastings.

"We like to maintain that inti macy, to make people feel that we're glad they are there."

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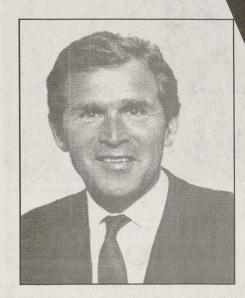
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