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Correction

In Thursday's Battalion, a story on page 3 should have included Russian National Ballet The Sleep-

ing Beauty and Les Misérables, featuring the

original national tour cast.



When I was three, I peed in the fountain at the mall. Guess I was a slow learner when

- Ben Hudler Freshman ocean engineering major

Madonna's Ray of Light shi with sounds of love, spiritu



MARTIN staff writer

sentiment that has haunted Madonna with each passing year. Pop culture has few recovery wards, and as the proverbial statement goes, "she who hesitates is lost.

For many Madonna is a relic, a historical marker of high school dances, weekend cruising and bus trips. People copied her bracelets, her floral-print pants, her ponytail,

her conquer-the-world attitude and God forbid her cornea-poking cones.

But then something funny happened. Kids grew up and put those days behind them. Madonna joined Tiffany, Debbie and Martika in the great teeny-bopper graveyard in the backseat

If the body is a temple, then Madonna is the Haiga Sophia. She built an empire with a thrust of her hips and peeks at her cleavage. Her confidence won over the hearts of millions who struggled with their own developing bodies and self identities. It's a great way to build an empire, but like so many before, the time came for a collapse.



The mark of a great artist is what's left in the rubble when this happens. A great example is the Beatles, a bad example is the Monkees. Madonna's last big effort, Bedtime Stories, was the last stand for the sexual siren. Age, motherhood and fickle new pop tastes have all closed in. The result? Madonna offers Ray of Light.

Past years have seen Madonna calling the shots with each new album. Every new single was a challenge to the status quo. Ray of Light, Madonna's techno-inspired latest, unfortunately feels reactionary instead of revolutionary. Instead of driving, Madonna just hopped on a bus populated by kids over half her age, making great elecRay of Light

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tronic albums in their bedrooms for her daily rate. It's a sad picture, but darkness there is a ray of light.

Madonna's music has never been lessness. A quick listen to the old st her flavor-of-the-moment producti What she is about, however, is unp credibility. The new songs, althoug bathed in 808 loops and synth pad different. The empress has new c still the empress.

The good news is that Madonr an almost negligent artistic distant new album, an apex which she ha grown into. When she sang "Holiday Don't Preach," she was a character songs are like diary confessions. for love / Without a second though came a silly game" she sings in "Dn / Substitute for Love.'

Many of the songs reflect Mador found spiritualism and family expan Star" is a soft prayer of thanksgivin daughter Lourdes, while "Sky Fits He of the most outstanding tracks, pond beauty of balance, such as the relation tween a mother and child.

Although much more introspect has moments of joy, especially on thet sung with Bjork-like extremities of ran hardly sound like Madonna.

The bad news is that electronica room for superstars. The beats rule solute power. Although "techno" ha buzz for Ray of Light, the music ne shines the star. Rather than a techn na album with techno.

One important question to ask is " artist here?" Does the album float so name of Madonna? Actually, the news squarely on the shoulders of producer Orbit and a rotating cast of electronicae Like Beck's Odelay, paradigms rarely solitude anymore

It's too bad the album wasn't called" and Child," complete with medieval fr art. Oh well.

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