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Langam said. "My father and grandmother both worked with Arthur Penn, the director of Bonnie and Clyde. Hearing hem speak about movies my whole life always grabbed my interest, but I decided long ago that the entertainment industry wasn't for me. I seem to be the first in three generations not to be 'in the business.'

Langam said a film class aught her not to look at movies he same way.

"Dr. (Terence) Hoagwood said on the first day we would never look at movies the same way again, and it's true." Langam said. "What I learn in the class and from the film I can apply to life everyday because films are about people, whether fictitious or not."

Langam has also stumbled across some of her favorite movies at film festivals.

"When I went to the Worldfest, I got to see some amazing movies. The second one I saw, Alexandria by Maria Iliou, has become one of my favorite movies of all time," Langam said. "It was in Greek, Italian and French, and despite having to read the English subtitles, the whole time it really touched me.'

Langam said she met several directors during the festival.

"I had a great conversation with one of the directors, who shall remain nameless, because when you get near enough, he smells like pickles," Langam said. "Very odd."



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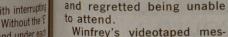
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Yes, the band was organized by former Metallica bassist Jason Newsted, but Echobrain's sound is so different from the Mighty Met.

Newsted, along with drummer Brian Sagrafena and guitarist/lead vocalist Dylan Donkin, amassed a collection of songs on their self-titled debut that has familiar rock elements such as strong beats and overdriven guitar tones. The vocals further advance the separation of this band from anything close to head-banging rock chaos.

Perhaps the fact that Newsted is an established and successful musician permits him to make any kind of music, but attempting to categorize EchoBrain's music is a challenge.

Some of the songs have a dark, primeval rock vibe as in "Crying Shame," and others drift to pop catchiness like in "Colder World." Most of

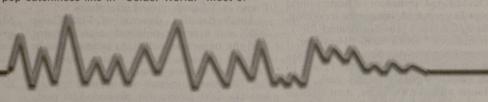
great chord progressions, baselines and melodies, but sometimes the inconsistencies and variations from song to song seem almost goofy.

The instrumental performances and songwriting creativity excel, and the complexities of the individual parts are far from weak. Metallica guitarist Kirk Hammet, with his shredding skills, plays on "SuckerPunch."

The best track on the disc is "Highway 44," for its solid guitar rhythm and lead bass parts. Everything comes together in this song.

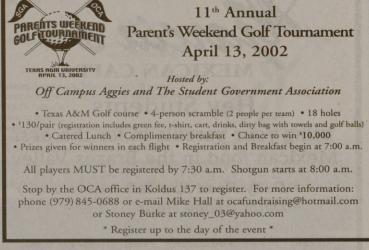
No, this is not heavy metal, but it definitely is rare. Listeners can decide for themselves whether or not it is precious. It is enjoyable, if not somewhat confusing. (Grade: A-)

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in an interview in the Sunday Times she said. "I started feeling uncomfortable about traveling. My instinct says things aren't right in parts of the world.

Asked if she was referring to parts of South Africa or America, the talk-show host said, "All parts - and to get from my part to your part I'd have to travel over other parts." Former South African President Nelson Mandela was

sage did not refer to her reasons for missing the event, but

originally also scheduled to attend the launch, but his appearance was also canceled. South Africa is the first country outside the United States to have its own edition of Winfrey's magazine. Winfrey began O in April 2000, and its paid circulation has risen since then to 2.5 million.

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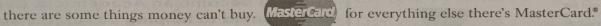
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