

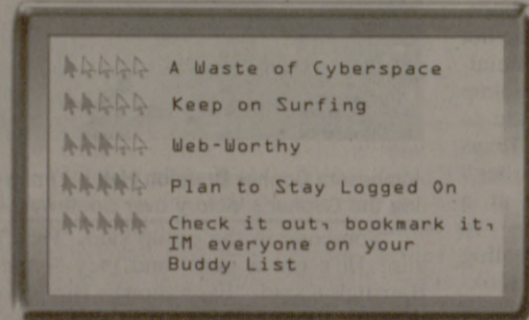
Pastel colors should not fool first-time viewers of www.vivianlives.com — Vivian Livingston is anything but a simple, girly girl. Spunky, goofy, flirtatious and fearless are only a few words that can be used to describe this heroine. The site allows viewers to tour Vivian's Manhattan apartment and browse through Viv's rooms, closets and belongings including her photo album, with shots of Vivian and celebrities like Vanessa Carlton. Every couple of hours, the Vivcam is updated and surfers can catch Viv running through Central Park, shopping with her best friend Sophie on the streets of New York City or taking a roadtrip with her gal pals. Other activities on the site include a shopping link which takes viewers to boutiques such as Bourjois, girlshop.com, and Mon Petit Oiseau's, a French-inspired casual clothing line. It also has an interactive entertainment link where surfers can check out the latest fashions of today's celebrities and find good music to accompany them through any mood. Viewers can become registered users of the Web site, free of charge, and receive notifications of sales, discounts and giveaways courtesy of companies such as SAK, Nautica and Language. Visitors can also chat with other Vivheads about careers, health, travel, fashion and entertainment. Newcomers will find themselves surfing the site for hours and Vivsters will find there is always something new, whether it's advice or clothes, at vivianlives.com.

—Lizette Resendez

Media hounds and job hunters alike will find www.mediabistro.com a one-stop wealth of information. The Web site is comprehensive and easy to navigate thanks to a well-designed and organized layout. Featuring daily job listings, "boot camps" (genre-based workshops for writers) and advice columns from the pros, the frequently updated site is far from stale. In addition, viewers can post resumes and personal ads simply by becoming a registered member, which is free of charge.

The only possible drawback to the site is the limited number of locations — namely New York, Chicago or Los Angeles — given for workshops and employment opportunities. Regardless, the site remains an indispensable resource and guide for aspiring journalists.

—Kendra Kingsley



PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Rolling Stones launch 40th anniversary tour

BOSTON (AP) — It was 1962 when some scruffy English lads formed a band called the Rolling Stones and quickly began driving out the last vestiges of polite rock 'n' roll in a torrent of driving blues riffs and dark, angry lyrics.

As they launch their 40th anniversary U.S. tour — beginning Tuesday in Boston — the Stones are out to prove that age is no obstacle. So what if newly-knighted Mick Jagger is 59, and the two other original Stones, Keith Richards and drummer Charlie Watts, are 58 and 61, respectively?

The 25-city, 40-show "Licks" tour is the first major one since 1975 not built around the launch of a new studio album. (In October, the band will release the 2-CD "Forty Licks," a compilation of favorite tunes from the four decades that will also include four new songs.)

It will stop in large outdoor stadiums, medium-sized indoor arenas, and smaller, intimate theaters. For each venue, the band promises not only a different kind of stage show, but a wider selection of music.

Tour director Michael Cohl says the Stones have rehearsed about 130 songs. Moreover, says Cohl, they have reached into their archives for material that has rarely, if ever, been played live.

Depending on the venue, ticket-holders could be treated to either a dose of classic hits like "Satisfaction," "Jumpin' Jack Flash," and "Start Me Up," or to less familiar blend of "thematic" material ranging from rhythm and blues to soul.

Boston is the test ground for this concept. At the 19,000-seat FleetCenter, Cohl says the setlist will be "peppered with greatest hits," but as much as 50 percent of the show could be what he calls "diamonds in the rough."

On Thursday, the Stones move to Gillette Stadium in Foxboro, the new 68,000-seat home of the New England Patriots, where Cohl promises eye-popping special effects on the band's most elaborate stage ever. For this and other stadium shows, he says the song selection will include "one or two new ones, two or three diamonds in the rough, and 19 or 20 that appeal to the masses."

Sunday's show will be on a stripped-down stage at Boston's 2,800-seat Orpheum Theater, where Cohl says the setlist could include just about anything the Stones feel like playing.

Tickets at some venues are selling for up to \$350.

Historically, the Stones outgross all other acts on the years they tour, and the \$121.2 million they earned in 1994 remains a music industry record.

Bon Jovi headlines free concert

NEW YORK (AP) — The members of Bon Jovi say their upcoming performance in Times Square will not only kick off the football season but celebrate New Yorkers' resilience after Sept. 11.

The NFL approached the group about headlining Thursday's free concert, which is being promoted as a massive tailgate party. After the performance the band will take a helicopter to Giants Stadium to perform at halftime during the game between the New York Giants and San Francisco 49ers.

The group's latest album, "Bounce," was inspired in part by the Sept. 11 attacks. Middletown, N.J., a community 45 miles south of Manhattan where singer Jon Bon Jovi lives, lost 32 people in the attacks.

The singer said he saw the smoke rising from the World Trade Center from a beach near his home.

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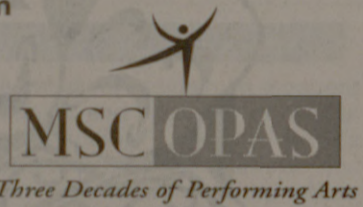
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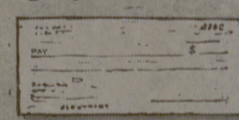
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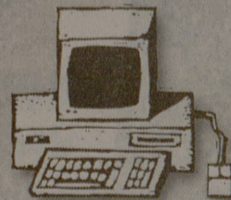
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