



Chicago Music Survey 1988-1990: WLS & Z-95 Street Sheets from The Rich Gardner Archives Book Three

The **Z-95 Music Survey Vol 3, 1988-1990**, is the third in a series of books offering full-size facsimiles of the surveys delivered to record stores and collected by record buyers weekly.

The WLS / Z-95 Music Surveys were more than mere lists of popular songs. They were tangible artifacts from a vibrant musical era, reflecting the power of radio, the influence of record sales, and the tastes of a generation. They served as a cultural touchstone for Chicago music fans, offering a shared experience and a connection to the local music scene.

Despite their eventual disappearance, the WLS / Z-95 Music Surveys remain significant in Chicago's musical history. They remind us of a time when radio was king, and physical media reigned supreme. They offer a valuable glimpse into the musical tastes and cultural trends of the 1980s and early 1990s.

Today, collectors and music enthusiasts cherish these surveys as historical artifacts, preserving a tangible connection to the past. They are a testament to the power of radio and the enduring appeal of popular music.

About the author



Rich Gardner was born and raised on Chicago's South Side. His fascination with music began at a young age, fueled by radio broadcasts of the History of Rock & Roll in the mid-1970s and the legendary WLS Top 89 radio countdowns.

This ignited a passion for collecting WLS surveys and documenting the evolution of popular music. His commitment extended beyond just listening; he eagerly anticipated the weekly WLS record surveys and sought out records at various stores throughout Chicago. Initially, he converted the WLS survey data into typed index cards, Rolodex cards, handwritten notebooks, and computer databases, creating a personal archive of musical history.

When he's not working full-time or spending time with his family, Gardner can be found at his local record store or swap meets, adding new chapters to his ever-growing collection.



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STREET SHEET

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WYZZ-FM

WEEK ENDING JANUARY 16, 1988 VOL. 28, NO. 13

LW	TW	WEEK ENDING JANUARY 16, 1988	ARTIST
1	1	Get My Mind Set On You	George Harrison
2	2	Could've Been	Tiffany
3	3	The Way You Make Me Feel	Michael Jackson
4	4	Faith	George Michael
5	5	Honestly	Strayer
6	6	My Shade Of Winter	Whitney Houston
7	7	Is This Love	John Cougar Mellencamp
8	8	Cherry Bomb	Elton John
9	9	Candle In The Wind	Elton John
10	10	Heaven Is A Place On Earth	Belinda Carlisle
11	11	I Want To Be Your Man	Roger
12	12	Catch Me (I'm Falling)	Pretty Poison
13	13	True Faith	New Order
14	14	I Live For Your Love	Karole Cook
15	15	Shake Your Love	Debbie Gibson
16	16	I Could Never Take The Place Of Your Man	Prince
17	17	Spotlight	Madonna
18	18	Tell It To My Heart	Taylor Dane
19	19	Pop Goes The World	Man Without Hats
20	20	Pump Up The Volume	M.A.R.B.L.E.
21	21	Just Like Heaven	The Cure
22	22	Rock And Roll All Nite	Prince
23	23	Quake (Looks Like A Lady)	Aerobics
24	24	What Have I Done To Deserve This	Pat Sharp
25	25	Need You Tonight	INX
26	26	We Said Hello, Goodbye	Phil Collins
27	27	I've Had The Time Of My Life	Jennifer Warnock/Melba Moore
28	28	Hungry Eyes	Eric Carmen
29	29	Many Many	Billy M
30	30	So Emotional	Whitney Houston

SINGLES

ALBUMS

Rank	Album	Artist
1	Dirty Dancing	Soundtrack
2	Tiffany	Tiffany
3	Cloud Nine	George Harrison
4	The Loveless Jubilee	John Cougar Mellencamp
5	Faith	George Michael
6	Whitney	Whitney Houston
7	Kick	INX
8	Bad	Michael Jackson
9	Whitney	Whitney Houston
10	You Can Dance	Madonna
11	The Joshua Tree	U2
12	Heaven On Earth	Belinda Carlisle
13	Nothing Like The Sun	Sing
14	Tango In The Night	Firestorm Mac
15	Hysteria	Def Leppard
16	Document	R.E.M.
17	Substance	New Order

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WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 25, 1989 VOL. 30, NO. 6

LW	TW	WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 25, 1989	ARTIST
1	1	When I See You Smile	Bad English
2	2	Shame It On The Rain	MBI Vanilla
3	3	Bust A Move	Young MC
4	4	Angelia	Richard Marx
5	5	Love Shack	BS2's
6	6	Pump Up The Jam	Technozone
7	7	Polish	Alice Cooper
8	8	We Didn't Start The Fire	Billy Joel
9	9	It's Just The Way That You Love Me	Paula Abdul

SINGLES

ALBUMS

Rank	Album	Artist
1	Girl You Know It's True	MBI Vanilla
2	Steel Wheels	Rolling Stones
3	Storm Front	Billy Joel
4	Hangin' Tough	New Kids On The Block
5	Dr. Feelgood	Melissa Etheridge
6	Cosmic Thing	Janet Jackson
7	Rhythm Nation	Aerobics
8	Pump	Young MC
9	Brave & Crazy	Paula Abdul
10	Forever Your Girl	Tracy Chapman
11	Crossroads	Tom Petty
12	Full Moon Fever	Young MC
13	Stone Cold Rhythm	Bad English
14	The Secret Of Love	Tears For Fears
15	Bad English	Don Henley
16	New Kids On The Block	Grateful Dead
17	The End Of The Innocence	New Kids On The Block
18	Built To Last	Alice Cooper
19	Many Merry Christmas	Char
20	Trash	Richard Marx
21	Heart Of Stone	The Cure
22	Repeat Offender	Linda Ronstadt
23	Disintegration	Stix Row
24	Cry Like A Rainstorm	Warren
25	Skid Row	Rob Base
26	Dirty Rotten Filthy Stinking Rich	Gloria Estefan
27	It Takes Two	Kiss
28	Cuts Both Ways	Five Young Gentlemen
29	Hot In The Shade	Karyn White
30	The Raw & The Cooked	Stix Row
31	We Too Are One	Stix Row
32	Keep On Movin'	Poco
33	Legacy	Poco

CONCERTS

Melissa Etheridge - Rosemont Horizon - November 28

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CHICAGO'S HIT MUSIC STATION

WEEK ENDING MAY 5, 1990 VOL. 30, NO. 28

LW	TW	WEEK ENDING MAY 5, 1990	ARTIST
1	1	Nothing Compares 2 U	Sinead O'Connor
2	2	All Around The World	Lisa Stansfield
3	3	Get Up	Michael Bolton
4	4	How Can We Be Lovers	Alannah Myles
5	5	Black Velvet	M.C. Hammer
6	6	U Can't Touch This	Collins
7	7	I Wanna Be Rich	Luther Vandross
8	8	Now And Then	Janet Jackson
9	9	Alright	Janet Jackson
10	10	Escapade	Kiss
11	11	Forever	Taylor Dayne
12	12	Love Will Lead You Back	Heart
13	13	All I Want To Do Is Make Love To You	U2
14	14	C'mon And Get My Love	A'ne Lorde
15	15	Whole Wide World	Madonna
16	16	Polish	Def Leppard
17	17	Without You	Babyface
18	18	Whip Appeal	Phil Collins
19	19	I Wish It Would Rain Down	Perfect Gentlemen
20	20	Dub La La	Paula Abdul
21	21	Opposites Attract	Linear
22	22	Sending All My Love	Roxette
23	23	Swingeros	Sweet Generation
24	24	Love Child	Aerobics
25	25	What It Takes	BS2's
26	26	Room	Elton John
27	27	Sacrifice	Richard Marx
28	28	Children Of The Night	Tom Petty
29	29	Free Fallin'	Technozone
30	30	Pump Up The Jam	Technozone

SINGLES

ALBUMS

Rank	Album	Artist
1	I Do Not Want What I Haven't Got	Sinead O'Connor
2	Forever Your Girl	Paula Abdul
3	Violator	Depeche Mode
4	Rhythm Nation	Janet Jackson
5	Magic Mirrors	Robert Plant
6	Alannah Myles	Alannah Myles
7	Pump Up The Jam	Technozone
8	Please Hammer Don't Hurt 'Em	M.C. Hammer
9	Nick Of Time	Stix Row
10	Blat Sky Mining	Aerobics
11	Pump	Heart
12	Brigade	Eric Clapton
13	Journeymen	Phil Collins
14	But Seriously	Michael Bolton
15	Soul Provider	Lisa Stansfield
16	Alibion	Janet Jackson
17	Dr. Feelgood	Melissa Etheridge
18	Hangin' Tough	New Kids On The Block
19	Munch	Michael Penn
20	Look Sharp	BS2's
21	Cosmic Thing	Don Henley
22	The End Of The Innocence	Taylor Dayne
23	Can't Fight Fate	Soundtrack
24	Pretty Women	Bad English
25	Polish	Linda Ronstadt
26	Cry Like A Rainstorm	Kiss
27	Hot In The Shade	Babyface
28	Tender Love	Tom Petty
29	Full Moon Fever	Basix
30	London Warsaw New York	Soundtrack
31	Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles	Gloria Estefan
32	Cuts Both Ways	Billy Joel
33	Storm Front	Billy Joel

CONCERTS

Sinead O'Connor - Chicago Theatre - May 19
Madonna/Technozone - Rosemont Horizon - May 23-25
World Series Of Rock - Alpine Valley - May 26-27

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