## Album Review: Mute Math

By Aaron Palmer Editor in Chief

New Orleans based band Mute Math has dropped their debut album this fall after LP's, shows and word of mouth have gotten their name out. Carrying an interesting sound for an indie rock band, these guys have focused more on talent and production over raw energy.

Their sound comes across as a fuse between Incubus' intricate guitar work and atmospheric background noises and Coldplay's melodies with a singer closely resembling Sting.

The album blends together nicely as many of the songs run into each other, so it's easy to listen from beginning to end. Numerous upbeat, harder songs pick up the album between trip-hop style tracks with pop overtones. Even during the slow parts though, eclectic instruments are thrown



in to spice up the sound.

One track in particular opens with a jazzy sounding stand up bass. Keytars (a highly underrated instrument) are even thrown into the mix. The syncopated drums keep the album interesting as they constantly drive and hop the tracks in new directions.

Many think that too many guitar effects can ruin a band as they become reliant on them, but this is not case. True, there may be a heavy use of them, but the singer's clean voice does an excellent job over keeping rhythm and leading the songs. Check out the songs "Chaos" and "Noticed".

Chico Bags



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These sturdy woven nylon bags come many colors and can be washed in a washing machine. We will have them for sale in the cafeteria during lunch in the upcoming days.

## HOROSCOPE

Aries: You play ball like a girl. Lucky Color: Pink, the singer not the crayon.

Taurus: So what if your little cousin asked you for season one of "Dancing with the Stars" on DVD for Christmas? Don't try to take him to a bowl game or a wrestling match. Just accept it. Lucky Color: Blue Highlighter.

Gemini: Just get them a gift certificate. It's much less awkward. Lucky Color: Venti strawberry frapuccino

Cancer: Your iPod has a higher IQ than you. Lucky Color: Fred Thompson's liver spots.

Leo: If a movie was made about your life, I'm sorry to say that the lead role would go to Steve Beuschemi. Lucky Color: Exxon Valdeze

Virgo: Michael Moore will attempt to eat you. Ironically, you will die because of not being able to afford health care. "Sicko" will be shown at your wake.

Lucky Color: Polar Bear's Toenails.

Libra: Blame it all on your step-dad. Lucky Color: Bleached teeth.

Scorpio: MapQuest will deceive you in the near future. Lucky Color: Google image search result for "blah."

Sagittarius: Your campus internet will be slow, and you may experience an O drive outage.

Lucky Color: Campus security shirt brown.

Capricorn: Your ringtone isn't cute. In fact, it makes everyone who hears it think less of you. Lucky Color: Cheerwine.

Aquarius: Listen to the voice in the back of your head telling you to be bad. What's the worst that could happen? If you get caught, you're a schizophrenic and can plead insanity. Lucky Color: Envy

Pisces: There's no need to study for finals. Staying up until 4 a.m. playing Halo keeps your mind sharp enough.

Lucky Color: Michael Jackson circa 1988.

## Tex's Movie Review:Hitmanby John BillingsleyMy Rating:

by John Billingsley Photography Editor

It's pretty good. You should see it. It's got a whole lotta killin'.

