

Diana's latest combines sultry ballads, disco jazz

In the Aug. 11 issue of *Rolling Stone*, Diana Ross stated that she was recording two albums — one for making love and one for dancing.

She was recording two albums simultaneously so that she wouldn't have to worry about recording while she films *The Wiz*, her next movie. She wasn't sure — she didn't even care — which one Motown would release first.

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By CLARENCE HIGH

Baby It's Me
Diana Ross

"Whatever the market looks like it's ripe for," she said.

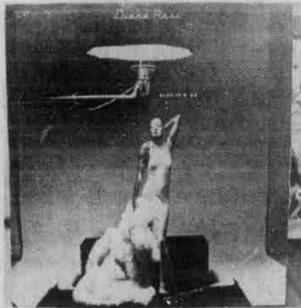
Baby It's Me, newly released on Motown Records is supposedly her "love-making" album. As usual she covers a wide range of musical territory, from smooth, easy ballads to some potential disco. It makes you wonder what her "dancing" album will contain.

This album marks Ross' first collaboration with noted producer Richard Perry. The collaboration works. They've chosen songs from a variety of writers, including Stevie

Wonder, Melissa Manchester and Bill Withers, which show that Diana Ross is a singer who can sing just about anything.

She's at her best singing Wonder's "Too Shy to Say" and Manchester's "Confide in Me," both beautiful ballads, but she seems equally comfortable with Withers' "The Same Love That Made Me Laugh," which is a harder driven rhythm and blues sound. She does it all. Somehow she seems to make them all her own.

The closest thing to "heavy" disco on the album is "Your Love Is So Good For Me," written by Ken Peterson. It's no "Love Hangover," but it has an almost irresistible beat, heavy synthesizing, male background vocals and some of Diana's sexiest sighs and screams.



Baby It's Me

One cut, "All Night Long," is quite reminiscent of her early days with the Supremes. She calls it "the old, old sound." It's a pleasant trip back to the simplicity of "Baby Love" and a reminder that it takes a "real superstar" to hang around the top for 15 years.

Listening to the album will get the point across.

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Questionnaire respondees dislike quotas

By ELIZABETH MESSICK
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Almost three-quarters of the UNC students who responded to a Campus Y Common Cause questionnaire oppose quotas for minority admissions and support gay rights.

Approximately 2,500 questionnaires were distributed to students who voted in the student fee referendum last month. About 2,100 were returned.

Seventy-three percent of students questioned said they don't support quotas for minority admissions to higher education. Seventy-four percent favored homosexuals and heterosexuals having the same rights.

Fifty-eight percent, or 995 of the students who answered the question, favored elimination of the Honor Code "rat clause" requiring students to report any Honor Code violations they observe.

Of the 2,001 students evaluating Carter's first year as president, 33 percent said he has

done a good job. Twenty-seven percent said his work has been fair; 23 percent, average; 11 percent, poor; and 5 percent, very good.

Gov. Jim Hunt was rated by 1,383 students. Thirty percent ranked his work as average; 26 percent, fair; 24 percent, good; 16 percent, poor; and 4 percent, very good.

Forty-eight percent, or 892 students, said the United States should not change the amount of economic and military aid it gives Israel. Less aid was favored by 39 percent, more aid by 13 percent.

Sixty-nine percent of the students questioned supported economic sanctions against South Africa as a means of expressing disapproval of that country's apartheid policy.

Ratification of the Panama Canal treaty was favored by 64 percent of those surveyed. In the student fee distribution question, students were asked to divide 900 pennies among seven campus organizations. The distribution was as follows:

- Daily Tar Heel, \$3,756.42.
 - Carolina Union, \$3,614.47.
 - Student Government operations, including executive, judicial and legislative branches, and the Student Legal Service, \$2,572.56.
 - Yackety Yack, \$2,037.20.
 - Other media, including WXYC, Carolina Quarterly, and Cellar Door, \$1,977.47.
 - Sports Club Council, including the Outing Club, Sailing Club, Club Football, Club Volleyball and UNC Skydiving Club, \$1,657.20.
 - Special interest groups, including the Black Student Movement, Carolina Gay Association, Carolina Indian Circle and Association for Women Students, \$1,406.69.
- According to David Weynand, UNC Common Cause chairperson, "Common

Cause is a citizens lobby. It's composed of citizens who are concerned about how government works, how it responds to people."

"Each year the questions tackle issues of campus concern," explained Mark Lazenby, a Common Cause member.

"The questions are designed to gauge the feelings of students who were willing to vote on popular issues. It's absolutely for the benefit of the students who voted," he said.

Richard Cramer, an associate professor of sociology, warned against over-interpretating the results of the questionnaire because of the group of students questioned. "What this is, is the people who voted in the referendum, the people who are interested in Student Government," he explained. "They're a select kind of person, not just the average student."

Lazenby agreed that the questionnaire shouldn't be confused with a survey because the students questioned weren't randomly selected, and the questions weren't scientifically worded.

"Some of the wording was poorly stated," Cramer said. "The wording of a question certainly makes a difference."

"If there's wording of the sort, 'Do you think there should be more black students at UNC?' I think you would have gotten a much different answer... although we don't know how representative the sample of students is. Any wording will tend to bias the results somewhat."

For example, 75 percent of the students questioned don't support quotas for minority admissions, but 69 percent strongly supported South Africa. "Therefore, the majority isn't hostile to black people," Cramer said.

Officials support further bus service

With a convincing victory in the municipal elections under their belts, supporters of bus service in Carrboro are continuing their efforts to expand the transportation system there, according to Alderman Doug Sharer.

"We are presently negotiating to expand the bus service to include evening and

Saturday service, and expand day service during peak hours," Sharer said. "We are in the process of trying to get Chapel Hill to give additional funds for the expanded service."

Sharer said the Transportation Committee was scheduled to meet with Chapel Hill Town Manager Kurt Jenne early this week.

"I couldn't say how much the expanded service will cost," Sharer said. "It depends on which options are possible. We would like to see the University contribute. We will be setting up a meeting with them in the near future."

Target date for the additional service is Jan. 10.

The attempts to increase Carrboro service are based on demand, Sharer said.

"We have more early afternoon demand than we anticipated," Sharer said. "In the evening, students have late classes and are not able to catch the last bus. Students may want to go to the library at night, and there are no buses available."

Buses presently run five days a week, from 6:45 a.m. until 6 p.m.

"We average from about 1,400 to 1,450 riders per day," Sharer said. "The C route is second in ridership only to the campus loops."

Sharer is also a transportation planner for the city of Durham.

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Student affairs office okays policy permitting dorm lofts

The final version of a policy permitting students to have lofts in residence hall rooms was approved recently by the Office of Student Affairs, according to Russell Perry, assistant director of housing.

The policy, which allows a student to construct an elevated bed by signing a permit form and submitting it to his residence director, gained final approval in mid-November, Perry said.

A special committee composed of students and Perry had approved the policy in October. Perry was chairperson of the loft committee.

The permit form includes a clause releasing the Department of Housing and the University from any liability for an accident a student might suffer because of his loft.

After signing and submitting the permit to the residence director, the student would

have two weeks to build his loft.

The loft then would be inspected by University maintenance supervisors. If inspection showed the structure to be unsafe, it would have to be removed.

All lofts also must be painted with fire-retardant paint and have a permanently fixed ladder attached to the bed. No cooking or heating utensils, candles or flammable material, such as parachute silk, are allowed on, above or below the structure.

The policy also states that failure to comply with any or all sections of the loft policy may result in the student losing his residence hall contract with "no refund of rent paid or owed."

Until the loft policy was approved this year, elevated beds were illegal, although many students built the beds anyway.

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