

Skid Row was born two years ago as a song writing partnership between guitarist Dave "The Snake" Sabo and Rachel Bolan. Vocalist Sebastian Bach came later; guitarist Scotti Hill and Drummer Rob Affuso were added by a series of auditions.



Paula Abdul, the 25-year-old choreographer, who got her start teaching Duran Duran and other groups how to dance, is now topping the charts, as a singer.



Movies of 1989-1990

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles — The Movie
 Batman
 Dead Poets Society
 Pretty Woman
 Lethal Weapon 2
 Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade
 Honey I Shrunk the Kids
 Ghostbusters 2
 Parenthood
 Born on the Fourth of July
 Driving Miss Daisy
 Glory
 Look Who's Talking
 The Little Mermaid

Center Stage: spotlight on the year in entertainment

Lights! Camera! Action! The entertainment business was booming! New artists in music were always on the rise and new stars were always appearing on the silver screen. And for those oldies but goodies, such as The Who and The Rolling Stones, the revival of these bands was coming of age.

The year 1989-90 brought about many new changes in the music business. As teen pop stars Debbie Gibson and Tiffany gradually floated off the charts, it was inevitable that New Kids On The Block would grab the spotlight.

On the opposite side of the spectrum, post-modern groups such as The Cure, Depeche Mode, Love and Rockets and Peter Murphy made strong places for themselves on record shelves and on stage.

One of the top recording artists of the year was Madonna with the release of two new albums. "Like a Prayer" topped the charts and "Vogue" proved to be equally popular. Whether she was a blond or a brunette, Madonna never had trouble achieving success.

Not only was music made during the past year, but history was made as well. In the first ever rap music category in the history of the Grammys, groups such as Ton Loc, Young MC, Public Enemy, and De La Soul were nominated. Young MC was the winner in this category for "Bust A Move."

Popular dance — music artist Bobby Brown made it big with songs such as "Every Little Step", "My Perogative", and the Ghostbusters 2 theme, "On Our Own."

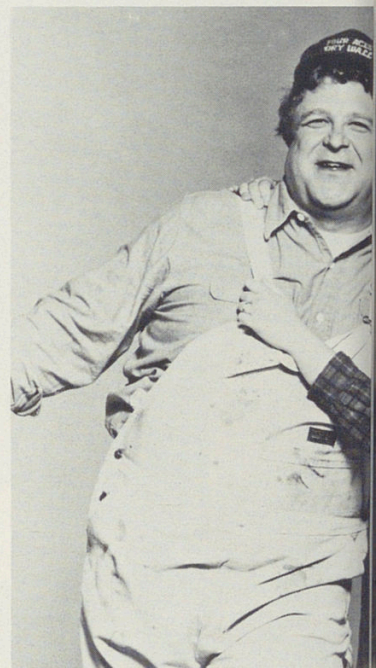
The year's 1989-90 brought attention to the world renowned Jackson family. Move over Michael, it's Janet's turn. With her new album, *Rhythm Nation 1814*, Jackson hit the pop charts with melodies such as "Miss You Much", "Alright", "Escapade", and her title track. Give it a few years and no doubt, these hits will go platinum, or possibly even GOLD! But what about silver? (the screen that is)

Hollywood introduced many new stars to the public. Julia Roberts started small with "Steel Magnolias," but then made it BIG with "Pretty Woman," a major hit movie.

Another new face to hit the screen this year was described by many as being "lean" and "green." Keep in mind this wasn't your average film star. This one was a turtle; a Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle. They proved to be extremely popular not only with the youngest of audiences, but with the older crowds as well.

All in all, this year introduced many promising new artists and brought back the old ones as well. The entertainment business was booming, is booming and will continue to boom throughout the years to come.

By Amy Allee



Roseanne Barr rose from a cult comedian to a mainstream television megastar portraying a wise-cracking mother in the television show *Roseanne*. John Goodman plays her husband in this show about a middle-class family.