

CDs on the way out?

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The Washington Post is running an article predicting the compact disc is destined to go the way of the gramophone. An Ohio based rock band is releasing their next "album" on DVD, online and vinyl only.

"It's a tip of the hat to the past and the tip of the hat to the future," said Perry Watts-Russell of Warner Bros. Records. He fully expects videos on dvd only to be a trend in the next few years as sales of compact discs continue to decline. The compact disc has been "the" media of choice since the early 80's, but Watts-Russell explains that digitization of music will now bring their reign to an end.

The Sun's album, "Blame It on the Youth," will be released Sept. 27 and will come with a DVD of music videos that will allow one to download the songs onto an MP3 player or burn them onto a CD. One member of the band states that he hasn't purchased a cd in a very long time, instead opting to "rip" his ipod or share from friends.

Watts-Russell says, "You can avoid the CD. It's on its way out. It's in no way out now, but the writing is on the wall."

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