

My Thanks....

MODEified 3! After five months in the making...we finally did it! I present you with M3. Firstly, this edition towers the previous in quality due to the abundance of help I received in producing it. This is the first edition where digital entries were accepted (DATs and CDs)...and the turnout was phenomenal! (A big Thank You to Brian L. Heese...(the man who racks his brain 24/7 keeping bong the homepage <http://commline.com...running>) for mastering the DATs, Tapes, and CDs for me).

M3 still holds true to the original concept behind all the MODEified tapes...a place to come together, show our diversity, and share our enthusiasm for DM. In this edition you will recognize a few regular submitters...and lots of new ones too! The MODEified wave is growing...and catches people's attention all over the world. People keep telling me, "Thanks for your devotion...and creativity"...but the truth is ...the creativity belongs to the contributors. All the songs, all the artwork, all the ideas....are yours. I just make sure it all comes together. Bong is more than a DM Newsgroup or a mailing list. It has become a family of sorts, something that has crossed boundaries and created friendships all over the world.

So sit back, relax, and enjoy M3. Rest assured..M4 will be just around the corner! Until next time..

Take care and Peace,
Rob Augino

(As all the MODEified tapes, this edition was created totally for fun, in a non commercial fashion and is never to be bought or sold!) Thank You.

Bios on Contributors Side A:

Rafi Kharman- This Canadian opens up the compilation with his version of **Uselink (Reactivate! Mix)**. This song starts simple..and ends with a bang! Great Job!

Shades of Grey-is Tim and Tom Kramer and Ronnie Velasco III. These guys re-worked the **I Want You Now** track. This band is taking synth music to a new level and will have their own album out soon...be sure to check it out!

Null Device-is Eric Oehler from WI. ND gave us this great version of **Stripped**..one of my all time fav songs! Great beat in this version!

The Antiheros-give us their version of **It's No Good**. Thanks guys!
My Little Girl-is Dawn Green, who owes her love for DM to her friend Chris. Dawn is a Dave freak..and her version of **Sometimes** just overflows with emotion! Well done!

Bryan McPhail and **Rob Augino**-After our submission to M2..we decided to really make a joint effort and do our version of **Higher Love**. Bryan is from Scotland..and me...from NC. We think my vocals and his music wizardry sound great! Thanks Bryan!

Numb-Swedish guys..Magnus Eriksson, Fredrik Samuelsson, Rickard Knudsen, and Fredrick Nilsson came together for this project..and now have begun to produce their own music! Thanks for the **Behind the Wheel** submission guys!

Jason Bromberg and **Chris Rentzel**-Rip our hearts out on this emotion packed version of **Somebody (Alpha Mix)**. This submission truly shows how diverse we are on Bong and how songs have many different meanings for different people! Well done!

Patrick Merz-This Swiss born artist studies language in his hometown of Basel and never ceases to amaze us with the original interpretations! Thanks for the **Stories of Old** entry!

A New January-members Iowa, Chris Garcia, and Kaven redefine **The Sun and The Rainfall** for us! They have a CD coming out Fall '97. Congrats!

Roland Weber-sends us his version of **A Question of Time** from Germany! Bringing to a close Side A: for us.....

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Bios on Contributors Side B:

Rick Grossenbacher-returns with his B-Side opener...**Kaleid!**
Bjorn Hedberg-resurfaces with an outstanding version of **Blasphemous Rumours!** Trivia ?-What Swedish cartoon theme is included in this track?

Mattias Pettersson and **Fredric Tirheden**-turn out their version of **Puppets(dance)**. These guys return from M1 shedding their band Envoy. **The MAN**-Danyel Ramelow is from Louisiana and focuses intensely on his original music...(which is quite impressive!..write him for info)...but finds the time to do some covers too. Danyel blows us away with his vocals on **The Bottom Line** and his M3 closer **The MODEified Theme**. Thanks alot MAN!

JML and **VLad DRacl**-Rock! on their **Never Let Me Down Again(This Ain't No Disco)** track!

Loveless-returns as Mikael Askernäs and Jan-Erik Saarinen turn out a slow mix of **My Joy**. These guys are MODEified regulars!

Amanda Leamon and **Mark Plummer**-Turn out an impressive version of **A Question of Lust**. Thanks!

Tammo Koehler-brings us a new interpretation of **Enjoy the Silence(I.C.U. Mix)**. His version explores the silence of death as the peaceful silence, bringing us a new way of looking at this song. This trance mix starts out with the end of a life...the flatline. Since his view was very different ...I found it a great addition to M3..despite a little no no in the song:-)

Titchener/Summers/Eckersley-is Ice Machine. Theses English lads update the classic DM track **I Sometimes Wish I Was Dead**.

Dan Walker-gives us his rendition of **Strangelove**.

Dan is a longtime DM fan who has produced his own music as well...check it out!

Psikadelik-is Noshin and Tahmid Chowdhury. Noshin revives a hidden DM track...**Sjarna!**

Other contributors who did not make it this time that I would like to thank are...Gom Jabbar(Sven Tiburg), DNR(Rob Whittington), Mattias Mueller, Ernest Millan, Stephen Freddy, Bradley vanBodegom, Seth Christenson, & Richard McNally w/Micah Stupak. Next time guys! Thanks!

See the MODEified Web Pages at

<http://www.depeche.mode.net/MODEified>

Soon, we'll have sound files up there too!

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