

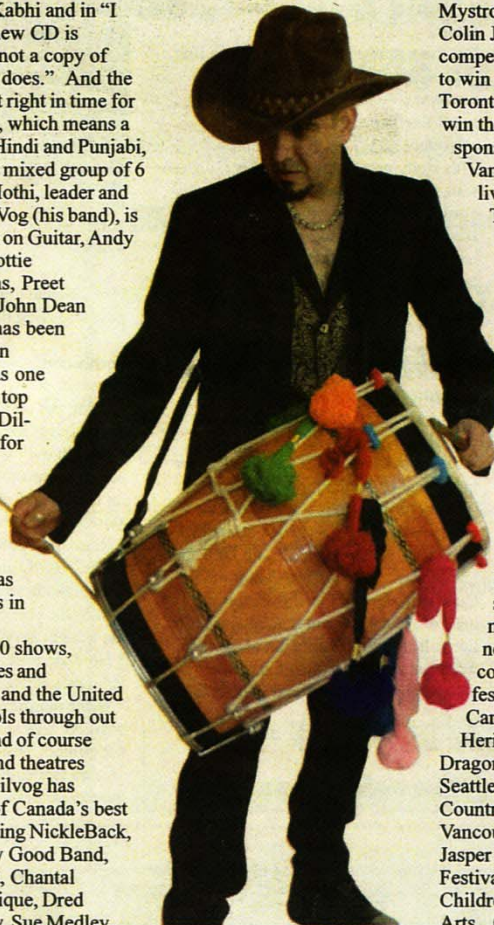
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Dilvog - Back in the Groove

A substitute for the morning coffee has arrived on the scene. It is Indian Grove, the latest CD released by singer and performer Dil Vog. "The songs, the rhythm and the music are so good in this CD that you don't need coffee to get started in the morning. This CD will get you started," he said. "The CD itself is like a kichdi – a mix of everything you like. It has pop songs, hangar music and songs, mixture of rap and of course, my version of the Kabhi, Kabhi," he said. Dil-Vog has been prominent on the music scene for some time and this is his fourth CD and perhaps the best. He has his own unique style of fast and catchy music, usually translating Hindi and Punjabi songs into English for the audience to enjoy. For example, "Kabhi kabhi" become "sometimes, sometimes, I think of you" or "always, always, I think of you." "My style allows people in the Mainstream to understand our songs. They usually like the beat and the music but don't know what the song is all about. That is why I translate the words into English," he said. He is bringing the hypnotic dance grooves of the Bhangra Rhythms to audiences outside of the Indian culture and presenting these rhythms in a format that is making them accessible and accepted world wide. Dil-Vog's music is a rhythmic assault blending current popular music with percussion (Bhangra Rythms) from India. Lyrically it is fun time party music sang mostly in English with some added Punjabi and Hindi. His softer side is heard in

the hit song Kabhi Kabhi and in "I promise you" The new CD is "something fresh – not a copy of what everyone else does." And the Indian Groove is out right in time for Valentines. Dil-Vog, which means a garden of hearts in Hindi and Punjabi, features a culturally mixed group of 6 musicians. Dilvog Hothi, leader and founder of Dal-Dil-Vog (his band), is joined by Mal Kalar on Guitar, Andy Baryer on Bass, Scottie McCarger on Drums, Preet Reyat on Dhol and John Dean on Keys. Dil-Vog has been selected by Musician Magazine U.S.A., as one of North America's top 10 unsigned artists. Dil-Vog has performed for Prince Charles and Much Music. He has toured across Canada several times and has toured for six weeks in India. Dil-Vog has performed over 1000 shows, including Universities and Colleges in Canada and the United States, Grade Schools through out British Columbia and of course many clubs, pubs and theatres around the world. Dilvog has played with many of Canada's best known artists including NickleBack, Jan Arden, Matthew Good Band, Great Big Sea, Fara, Chantal Kreviazuk, Dubmatique, Dred Zeppelin, Jane Sibery, Sue Medley, David Lindley, Mae Moore &



Mystro Fresh Wes. He has appeared with Colin James, 54 40, and Raffi. Dil-Vog has competed against bands from across Canada to win the National music Showdown in Toronto and competed against 260 bands to win the Radio battle of the bands competition sponsored by the Pacific Music Industry, Vancouver Canada. Dil-Vog has played live on Much Music's Electric Circus, The Vicki Gabereu Show, DayTime, The Mike Bullard show, U-T.V., C.B.C. (English & French) B.C.T.V News, Vancouver Television (V.T.V.). Breakfast Show and various other T.V. and Radio news and entertainment Programs through out Canada, England, and Asia. He has had four video's which have been played on Canada's music station "Much Music" and on BBC, MTV Asia and in heavy rotation in 38 countries throughout Asia and the Middle East on the Hong Kong based Star Satellite T.V. "Channel V". He has also appeared on many interview shows including Channel M and other mainstream TV and radio programs and news casts. Dil-Vog has performed concerts and workshops at various festivals including, Main Stage Vancouver Canada Day Celebrations (main act), Heritage International Conference, Dragon Boat Festival, Victoria Folk Festival, Seattle Folk Festival Main Stage, Oregon Country Fair (presidents choice band), Vancouver Folk Fest, Whistler Roots Festival, Jasper Folk Festival, Whistler Children's Festival, Calgary Folk Festival, Vancouver Children's Festival, Harrison Festival of the Arts, Ottawa's Cultures Canada (main act) and the Mission Folk Music Festival just to name a few.