



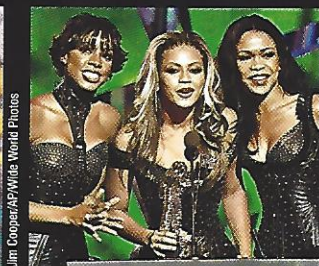
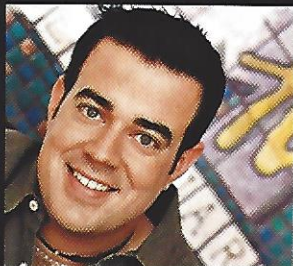
☑ Opening week sales records are shattered in 2000 with benchmarks set for the number of albums sold. Britney Spears' *Oops...I Did it Again*, Eminem's *The Marshall Mathers LP*, Limp Bizkit's *Chocolate Starfish and the Hot Dog Flavored Water* and Backstreet Boys' *Black & Blue* all break the million-unit mark.

## FLASH >>>

The Beatles begin 2001 atop the *Billboard* album chart with the album *1*. The CD sells more than 5 million copies over the holiday season.

Sisqo, a member of the R&B band Dru Hill, goes solo in 2000. The singer tops the singles chart with "Incomplete" and "Thong Song" and takes home awards from *Billboard* and the American Music Association.

☑ Napster loses several court battles with the recording industry over copyright infringement. The popular online music sharing service, with over 60 million users, faces shut-down unless it can create a new business formula that satisfies the major recording labels.



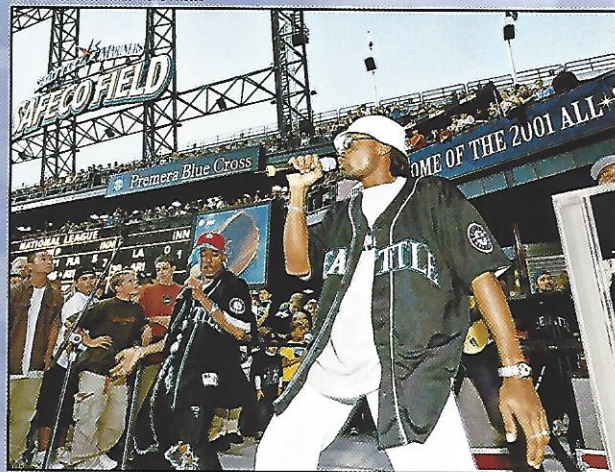
▲ MTV's "Total Request Live," which allows viewers to vote for their favorite music videos, continues to gain popularity. Host Carson Daly becomes one of the year's best-known faces.

▲ Destiny's Child achieves three back-to-back No. 1 singles in 2000, making the band *Billboard's* Top Pop Artist of 2000. The group is nominated for five Grammys, four for the single "Say My Name."

▲ Faith Hill and Tim McGraw perform to sellout crowds on their Soul 2 Soul tour. Hill and McGraw win the Country Music Association's Female and Male Vocalist of the Year, making them the first couple to win in the same year.

▲ Pink is one of the year's top new artists. Her debut album, *Can't Take Me Home*, sells 2 million copies, and two of her songs are Top 10 hits.

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☑ Rock music dominates the music charts and award shows in 2000. Groups including matchbox twenty, Vertical Horizon and 3 Doors Down top both the rock and pop singles charts with their respective singles "Bent," "Everything You Want," and "Kryptonite."



▲ Baha Men's hit song "Who Let the Dogs Out" reaches anthem status at sports stadiums across the country. The song also wins a Grammy nomination for Best Dance Recording.