# Supplement to the Historiography I:16

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### **FILM** — *Groove* (2000) [cont.]

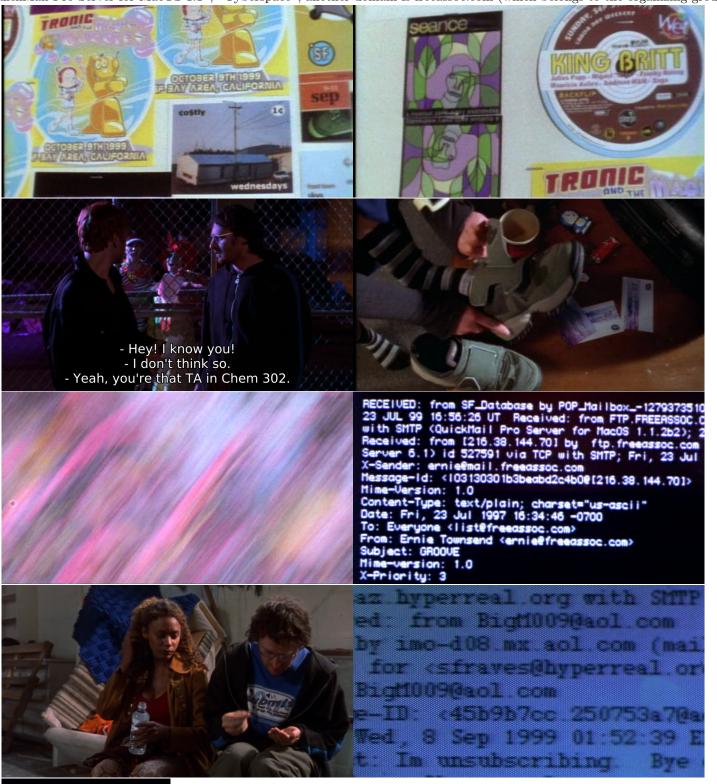
Harmony one of the organizers Colin Turner Harmony's boyfriend

David Turner Colin's brother (the writer of technical lit.)
Leyla from outside SF (NY), David's love interest

Cliff Rafferty Chemistry TA and drug dealer

Beth Anderson | (yoga girl)

Other bits of information revealed in the e-mail flashes are "bad ascii", mailing list drama, "I'm unsubscribing. Bye", "AIM", "QuickMail Pro Server for MacOS 1.1", "Cyberspace", another domain is freeassoc.com (which belongs to the organizing group?)



CLOSE @ 2AM, no in-and

Il. [7] Beth and Cliff (after the rave, the next morning)

organizer (negotiates with the police) gay couple who can't find the party on their anniversary



Il. DJ Polywog set [1] Behind the scenes [2] film / [3] Leyla and David somewhere in the building

*Groove* is a wonderful historical document which inside of a fiction has bottled up for eternity an entire subculture and period. (In the same way that *Hackers* had for hackers...)

### HISTORY OF INTERNET CAFES [cont.]

Il. cyberiacafe.net/cafes/index.html [1] Dec. 2 1998 [2] Feb. 29 2000





At the end of its existence Cyberia had had so many locations (or franchises) that it is hard to keep track of. It operated after the franchising model, and while it may have had feminist roots, it also evidently drew inspiration from capitalism and looked increasingly to be like a McDonald's of Internet cafes...

For example, the location in Tokyo – arguably its most significant expansion and one of the earliest ones – lasted from 1996 to 2000.

Cybersmith followed a similar fate, it seems, at a similar time:

Shortly before its website changed to an all black "closed. out of business" landing page, at the latest in April 1999, in January of that same year it had announced a "grand opening" and new location in Indianapolis and "alliances with leading technology, software and education firms"...

In 2000 (by the latest October), CoffeeNet - which as far as we know had never expanded beyond SF - also had to close, due to "averice, greed, and lack of ethics" of the landlord - as was explained on its website.

"We are moving to a new location!" announced Internet Alfredo by late 2000. Another SF cafe was advertisted in 2001. Briefly after its site disappeared.



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May 31st 2000 CYBERIA TOKYO, which had been the Internet cafe for four years, was closed. Thanks you all for coming to us.

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II. Cyberia Tokyo's website cyberia.co.jp [1-3] June 24 1997 [4-5] June 18 2000 (English version) June 13 2000 (Jp v.)

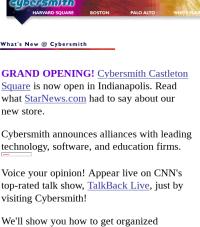


II. webcam.ealing.cyberiacafe.net [1] Dec. 6 1999 capture [2] Aug. 18 2000 (change) [3] May 16 2001 (next change)



Send your feedback to webmaster@cybersmith.com.

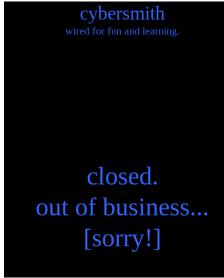
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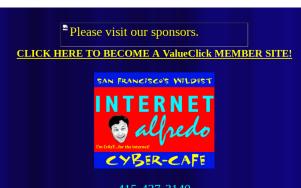
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II. Cybersmith's website cybersmith.com [1] Feb. 21 1997 [2] Jan. 25 1999 (Indianapolis opening) [3] April 23 1999



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II. [1] Internet Alfredo's website ialfredo.com Nov. 11 1998 [2-3] CoffeeNet's coffeenet.net Oct. 7 1997 / (below) Oct. 17 2000



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who justified her lack of ethics by explaining to me that she had to look out for her childrens future; The CoffeeNet is OUT of BUSINESS until new digs can be found.

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#### MAGAZINES (VG)

#### — Hardcore Gamer

Hardcore Gamer is a strange magazine in the sense it had a late start, in mid-2000, when the trend in video game publication seemed to be going the other way; magazines stopped altogether, ceased appearing in print and/or switched to a Web format i.e. site, online media. [A Guardian article? was dedicated to the resurgence of the video game magazine by enthusiasts]

Issue 1	June 2005
Shadow of the Collosus preview	p. 9
Feature: Video game cameos	pp. 26 f.
Game hacking 'Diary of a ROM hacker'	pp. 30 f.
Issue 2	July 2005
Castlevania history (Curse of Darkness cover story)	pp. 45 f.
Issue 3	Aug. 2005
The gaming gourmet	p. 25
Issue 4	Sep. 2005
We Love Katamari Damacy (cover story)	pp. 46 f.
Feature: Treasure	pp. 26 f.

The latest releases of the day, and also older games were discussed in Hardcore Gamer in features like 'Video game cameos' ("when one game makes a reference to another"), developer portraits (e.g. Treasure), histories of long-running series on the occasion of a new entry and contributions about ROM hacking. Conventions (e.g. E3) were covered regularly, including Asia. Anime reviews, cosplay photos and even recipes...

"Of course, when you dive into the internals of the software code, you never know what you might find. The most surprising thing I found was in the LaserDisc game *Thayer's Quest* when I came across a lengthy list of curse words. Apparently, the programmers had hoped to foil any attempts by kids to abuse the game's "speak my name" feature by creating a Do-Not-Say list. Often I'll find "backdoors" that programmers used to playtest their code. A special patch inside the *Dragon's Lair* code allowed you to play the whole game if you held the joystick a certain way when you inserted your quarters. (I could have saved a lot of money if I knew about this when I was a kid.) If you enter a certain input sequence in *Dig Dug*, you can bring up a secret NAMCO title screen."

"Most big names in video game software – like Konami, Capcom, or Tecmo – got their reputation from publishing lots of games made by lots of people. Story by Lynxara Treasure is the opposite sort of company; it is a developer that rarely publishes its own work."

"As a long time gamer, I've noticed something. We eat horribly. Think of your last LAN party, all night D&D session, or marathon gamefest. What did you have handy to munch on? Chips, soda (...)"









Take the Italian sausage and add ing to mix it through.

Makes about 4-6 servings, depending.

