

Concert Attendance 2

I attended the Hellogoodbye Tour on February 22, 2011. It was at a venue called The Complex downtown and there were four bands that played. Two of which are some of my favorite bands: Now, Now and Hellogoodbye. I couldn't wait for the show to start!

The second song of the Now, Now set was a piece called "Oh. Hi." It starts off with vocals and some palm muted guitar. After the first verse, another guitar and drums crescendo in. Toward the end of the song, some glockenspiel is added playing the melody and eventually ends the song. This piece is homophonic throughout and played in duple meter. I believe it was in a major key, though it did give off sort of an eerie feel like a song played in a minor key would. From an audience member's point of view, it was a really fun song. There was a lot of crowd involvement due to a clapping part in the chorus.

The next song was called "Everyone You Know" by Now, Now. This piece is in a major key and has a very upbeat duple meter. It starts with a single guitar then drums and finally vocals. The harmony is conjunct with not many jumps or leaps at all. Basically, it could get stuck in your head easily. Another great thing about this piece is the great use of dynamics. It starts off soft and low and all of a sudden it gets louder. It switches between the two throughout the song. Like I said before, it's very upbeat and the whole crowd got into it. It's a really fun song to see performed live.

The last song of the short six song Now, Now set was "Neighbors". This piece features an extremely conjunct, stepwise melody. It starts out with one guitar strumming one chord continuously then another guitar and vocals are added. The second guitar and vocals are doing the same thing as each other, creating homophony. When the drums come in, it fills it out nicely and the small glockenspiel part adds a nice touch. Its' major key and duple meter made it easy to bob your head to. The end section was very repetitive and simple. You could definitely sing along, even if you had never heard the song before. This song really left me wanting more, though. It has an abrupt ending and it was a good choice to end the set with.

After two other bands played, Hellogoodbye finally were able to start playing. The first song, called "Finding Something to Do," is one of my favorites. It's very upbeat and in a quick duple meter, so it's easy to dance around to. It's polyphonic in texture and has a conjunct melody. It starts off with guitar, vocals, and some sort of percussion instrument simultaneously. Drums, saxophone, and synthesizer come in later. I noticed that this song had a few different parts playing at the same time throughout. Not all the instruments played exactly the same melody the whole time. But, it was a great song to start the show with. It got everybody excited and ready for more songs.

So, to say the least, this show was one of the best I've been to. All the bands were incredible live and if I could, I would do it all over again. I was really happy I got to watch two of my favorite bands live and write about it.

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Four pieces of music covered in Detail

General Imprecise

Painstaking detail

Not enough pieces covered

4 or more pieces Well Discussed

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Class Vocabulary Used

Little evidence of music related terminology

Vocabulary used well with confidence & precision

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Grammatically Correct

Ideas there but difficult or incoherently used

Masterful use of language Varied & complex Sentences

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Spelling and Punctuation

Multiple errors in both spelling and punctuation

Excellent Spelling Wise punctuation

1 2 3 4 5

Smooth and Readable

Disjointed - Difficult to follow

Logical Flow of Ideas

1 2 3 4 5

Factually Correct

Blatant errors in discussing music, composers, or performers

Information supporting points Careful Checking of program

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