

Vintage vibes and new noisiness

This week, we're kicking off with a look back at Cyndi Lauper's hit-filled debut solo album, followed by the second album from native New Yorker Vincent Poag.

A noisy new record from 2012 TTP list band Archie Powell & The Exports and a soulful recording from Dave Keller finish up today's excursion.



'For The Girls,' Vincent Poag (Danal Music LLC, HHHH)

This April 8 release is singer/songwriter Vincent Poag's sophomore album, recorded after he had explored the Atlanta underground music scene and returned New York to become a family man.

The playful acoustic-based wanderings and pointed lyrics on this female-centered platter make the finished songs fun to listen to.

There's a "45 Mile An Hour Girl" when the singer drives 75, a wistful

tale of "Once Upon a Time," and the Caribbean-tinged title song.

Other favorites include a very meaningful-to-me song about "Momma," that features reminiscent lyrics and a horn-drenched ode to "New Orleans."

Fans of mellow music with witty lyrics will enjoy this one.