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Coverart

Issue 18 is drawn by Cosh a famous Dutch old skool character Kin a limit for a few years he's back. Reason enough to do this small interview.

The back on the tracks, what made you decide to start painting again?

The backs the gig in Eindhoven last December really made my fire light up again.

- It made me enthousiastic enough to do that thing every sunday no matter what
- made you start way back then and why? out doing grafili in 1984. Before that tine I drew my characters with mar
- local bus and trainstops. A bad habit I know. So the step using spraycans wasn't that big. Later on I saw memspapers and televisionshow of guys writing their name in graffiti. They were putting in backgrounds is, highlights and at least 10 different colours, to make a long story short, graffiti made me a thief, vandal tus in only two months.
- ne you left the dutch graffiti-scene and what happened in the time between
- er really stopped doing graffits but when you only make three or four pieces a year you don't conmiss. In that time, the rest of the guys weren't very active anymore so the group kinda fell apart. In the mean-ment to be a "famous" artist by making pointings but selling was a bit difficult (It's going much better now!), as I'm an illustrator and work for magazines and internet sites. I'm always drawing characters and thats why may stopped. It's not only the graffiti that I'm doing, drawing characters is the red line in my life and I'm just
- m style kept developing throughout the years so you never turned yours a long time to create your own style and even then it's evolving all the fu pare it with the work I used to do, you can see that I'm trying to samplify it. I try to distance inly and going more towards an accaturated look on rature. They are growing out of propriation of my style. Especially when you see the drawings, I make: flat, block is writte and w
- inal scetching in the background. you tell us how you drew this months Bomber cover?
- nt with drawing the concept in my scetchbook. Sometimes I make a whole series before I come to a satisfying I draw a neat version of it. For the cover of this Romber magazine I first scanned the drawing into my co can put it through Streamline. After that it is a vector drawing. Then comes the good part, the angels playgstrator. I don't leave the playground for a long, long time because I have to colour the whole thing, using institution I don't leave the playground for a long, long time because it name to cook an amount of the same same same same same time to so put it through Photoshop to give it a lighteffect, distance blur or texture. The following day I can illegally not at work in an A3 digital version. My work is really done when I published or ain a new stand for me the same feeling as when I see my name riding by on a train... What strikes me is that when I sta all the guys from the stone age, they all seem to have the same line of work. They als they've created some kind of network in advertising and mixed media. They really help each



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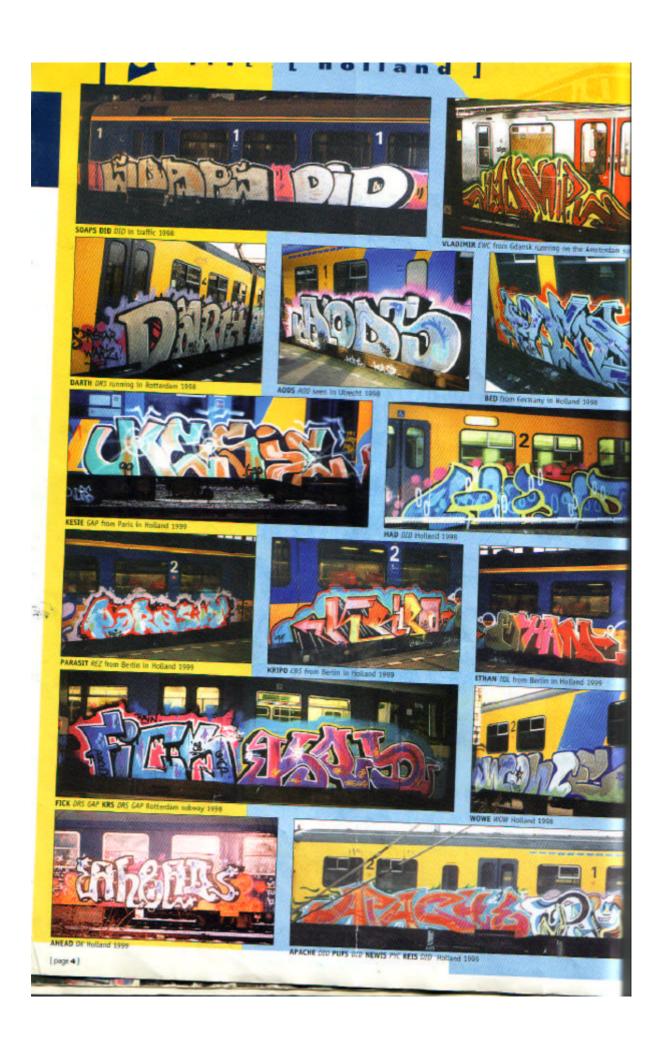
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SWA had painted his firs the local subwayguards d mine in '91, it was a silver T2B. Fall '96, boltcutter we went up to

they skipped work often, armed with a found d painted our first wagon together! that moment on, after we painted the yard set a lot of peeps, also NOYA who became! MH's got along with the KDV's just fine, if t eachother a lot and the main motivation is We kept on going to the y together for a while, we st Head almost right away. Si became a joint venture in '9' aspects of the meaning, so not just to pain Christiania, we also went to see nasty fuc basicly just having a good time we smoked mad summer-sess shows in Amsterdam.

I believe there's no limit in what one can do, you just gotta want it bad enough!

After we painted the subways for over a year or so, together with dozens of othe writers from Holland and all over the world, we slowly moved away from the subways after doing our first real pieces on the bananas! We've had a real fresh tim during our subway-missions, but we made it harder to paint on ourselfs because these were too many writers at the same place at the same time. By the time the there were too many writers at the same place, at the same time. By the time big group started to split up, lots of new crews where born and everybody started doing their own thing, that's how we became what we are today.

What's the value of friendship according to the MH boys?

MH. Friendship is something that has to grow, you hang out with some peeps and when time passes, some become your friends, because you're on the same frequency. Like the homies from Denmark and England, cool guys to hang out with, and always in for wicked actions. And about trust within the crew, when caught, you just have to keep your piehole shut about your homies. They are the pigs, let them figure it out!, but you never know how somebody is gonna react.

How great is the influ ce of graffiti to the live of everyday?

S. I'm always busy with the dark gift, sketching, bombing. Some people don't under-stand what your doing, like my mom, she always says; "When are you gonna grow up, this hobby isn't gettin' you anywhere." Well she's right, but as long as it's fun I'll be out there rockin'

K. Besides doing sketches all day, I'm 24 hour graff-minded. When driving the car, always looking for new spots to hit and thinking of new things to do with graff in general

Has graffiti never been an your personal developmen

K. No, I made money with it, friends, I have some very nice memories, and I experienced shit that I wouldn't have experienced otherwise. When you're true to the game,

S. It hasn't been, really, The only thing is that sometimes the stress, from all those train-actions, comes back to you, and hits you in the stomach, but that never rea stopped me, till so far.

How do you guys get inspired? 5. My brain is absorbing a lot of stuff that

looks cool, things that I can use to ma that sketch, that looks A-ight. Most of my inspiration comes from things like; natural art, music, graphic designs, comics, t.v., ect, ect.

Sometimes even the styles from other writers (almost everything has been done, so shut up!), then I throw it in the mix with my own creativity and the strangest cre-ations can come out of my pencil, and sometimes it doesn't.

The reason for not sticking to one style, is that I'm bored quit fast. I'm not the type of writer who can stick to the same boring st for 10 years, or longer, if you take a look in the blackbook of a writer like that, you nna see the same piece over and ov again, that's something I always tried to avoid. It's always a challenge to do something different than the last time, even if that means doing an # as an A. If I think it looks cool, I just do it. I don't give a fuck hat others think of it.

N. Everyday life, my family, Barcelona chicks and all the Chapeltown slags!

K. My inspiration comes from about anything, but it's the motivation that counts to

NYC. To me graff is dead and we're all sti imating. But don't get me wrong, th that goes on right now is just as cool but different.

Why the 100% focus on the trains? MH: Although you have to act like som sort of MacGuyver, if you want to enter d, the adrenalin rush you get whil ng a train is so fat that almost nothin beat it. Now and then we still paint all, just chillin in the sun, takin all th me in world to do our stuff, but trains a main target. It started on steel, about 3 years ago, and in the meantime, graff ha en taken everywhere, but it still look best on trains, dead or alive. What do y'all think of the dutch graffi

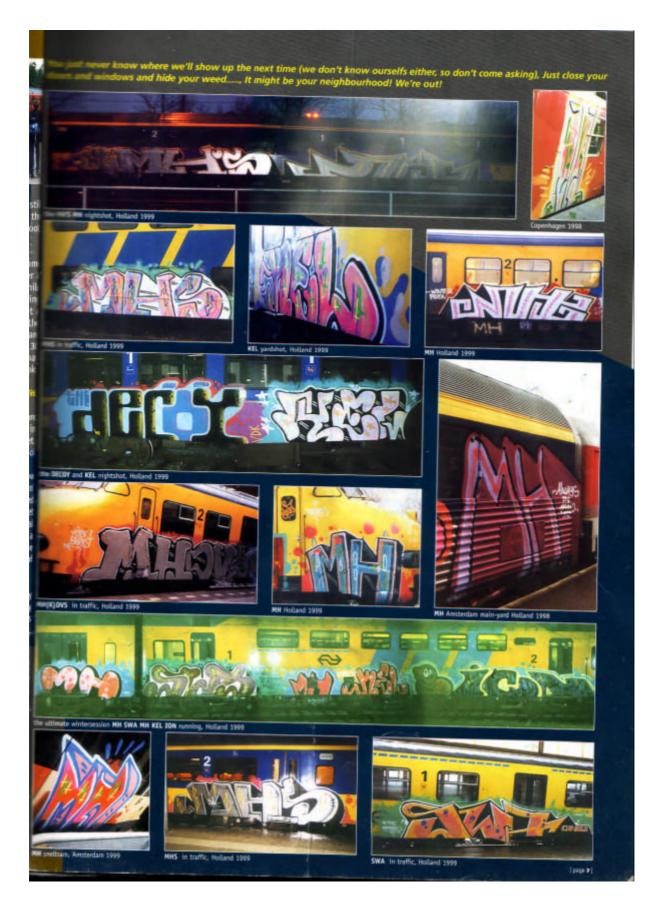
K. The scene is..., no real scene, there a a lot of talented writers out there, but all in small groups, once in a while they meet It's all good like this, basicly we're co everybody.

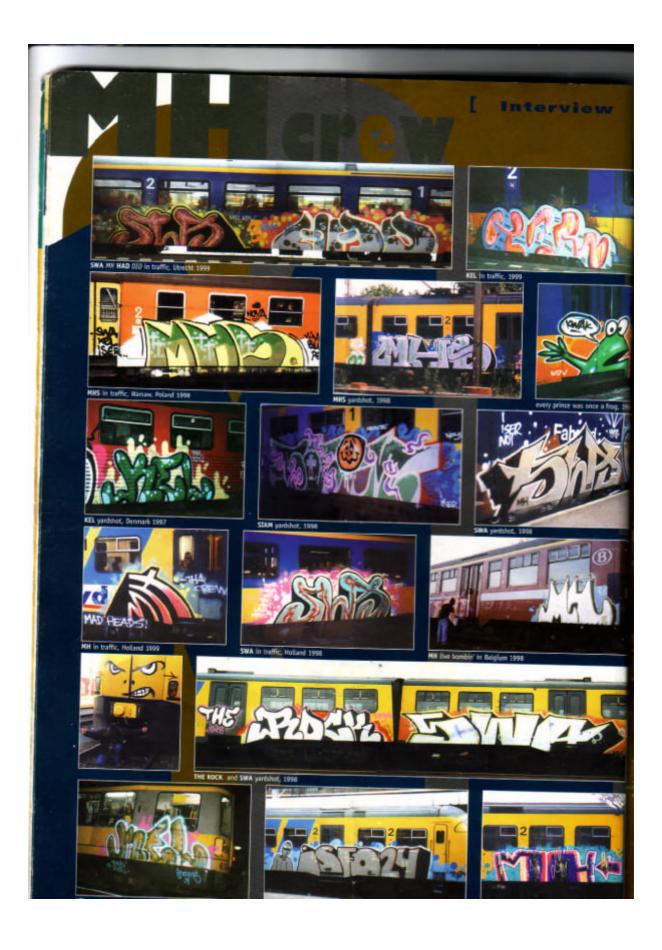
S. I ain't travelling that much, but I kno at the scene in Amsterdam is getti valler every year. A lot of people slower in since the subways are guarded quie and you got plenty of toys with a total lack of respect, fucking up shit. They do couple of trains and they think they're th king. If this shit is happening in the rest of and too, it's pretty fucked up!

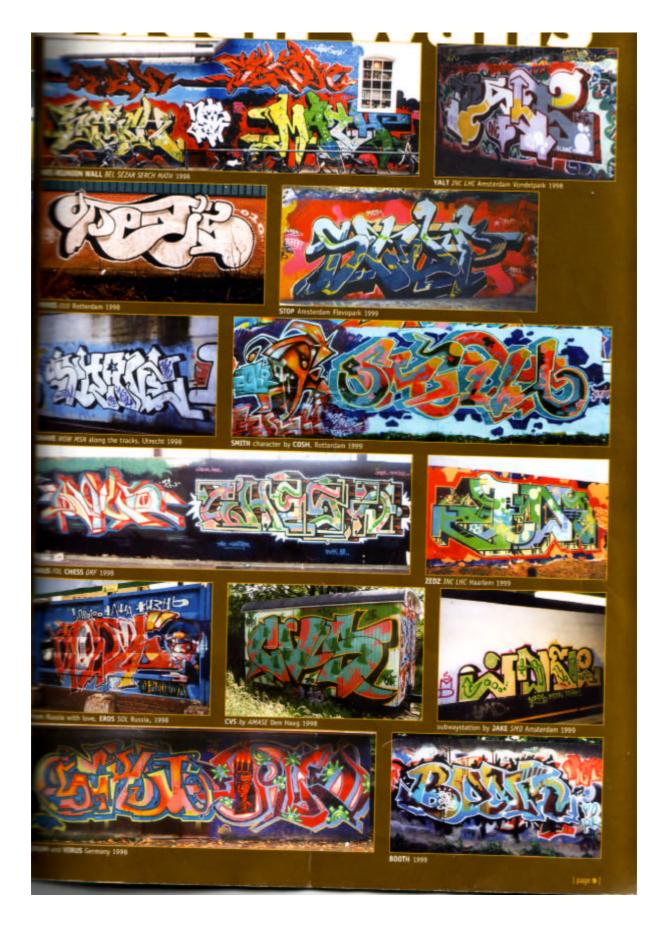
Any plans for the millennium-festo? MH. We hope that the pigs are to bus saving there graff-files, that are attacked b nnium bugs, and total chaos take over, you never know what could happen

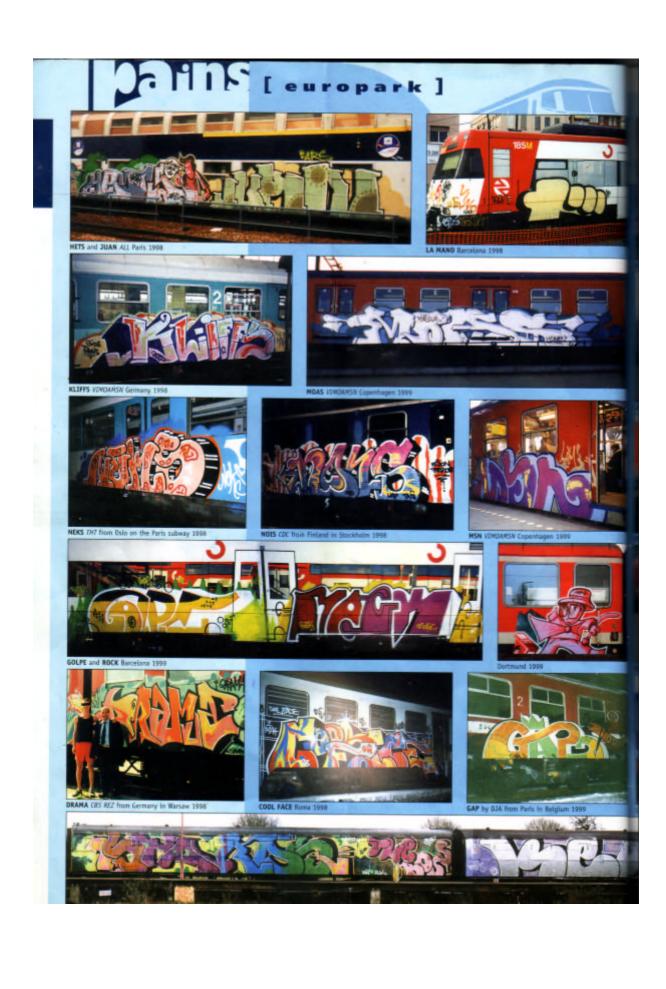
Shout-outs? S&K. What's up to; KDV-squad, MOES, ZYEK PONA, Marten, Murat, Leni and all those other funny people in Denmark, MIST-ONE & CO, HENCE, Marvellous Mark and B-Ja, Henkie, DID, WDC, MRG, SMD, TAXI, ASD STORM, KOSMO, NOBL, AMASE and THE HAGUE HOOLIGANS and everybody we hun out with the last few years, peace!

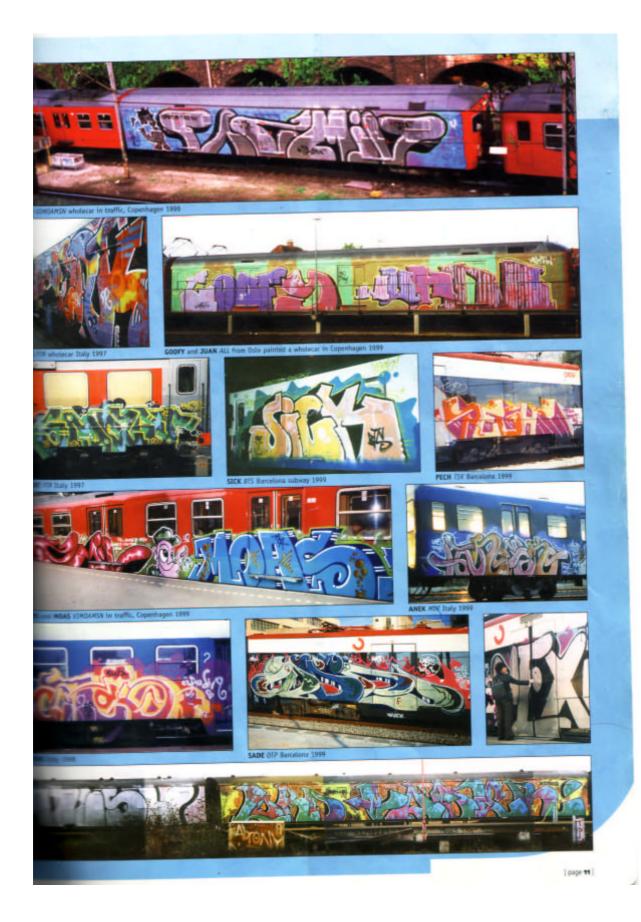
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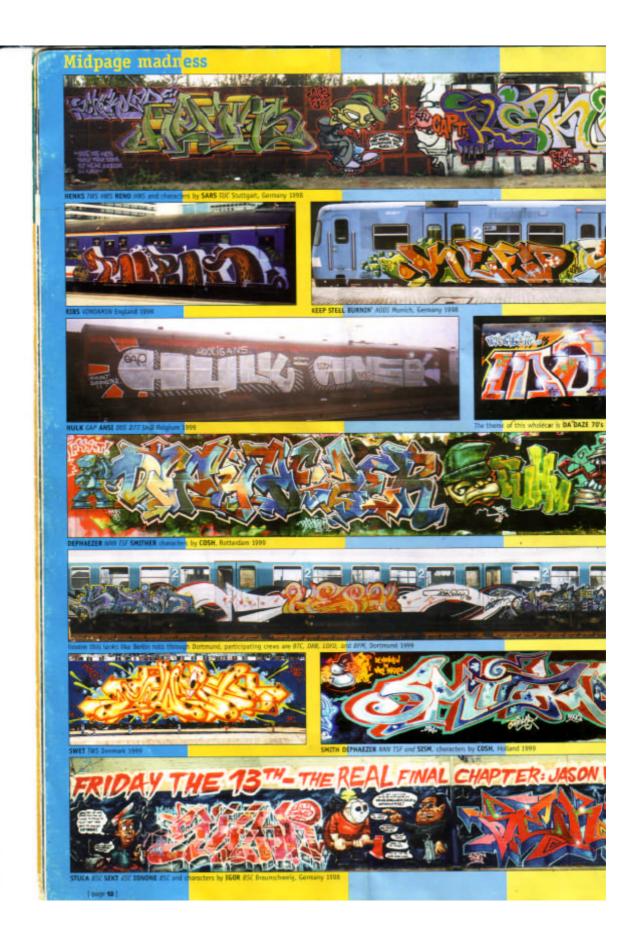


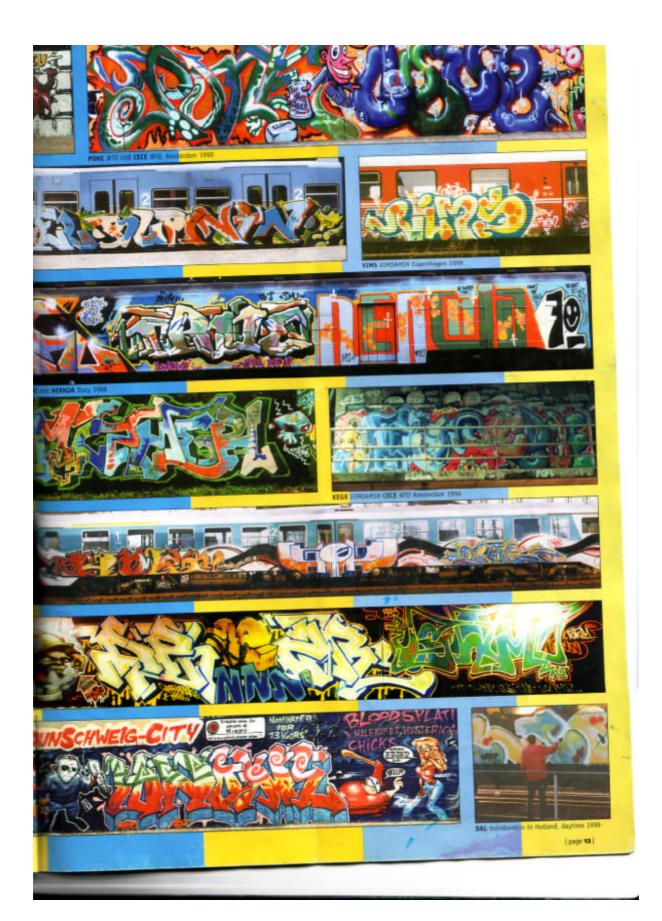




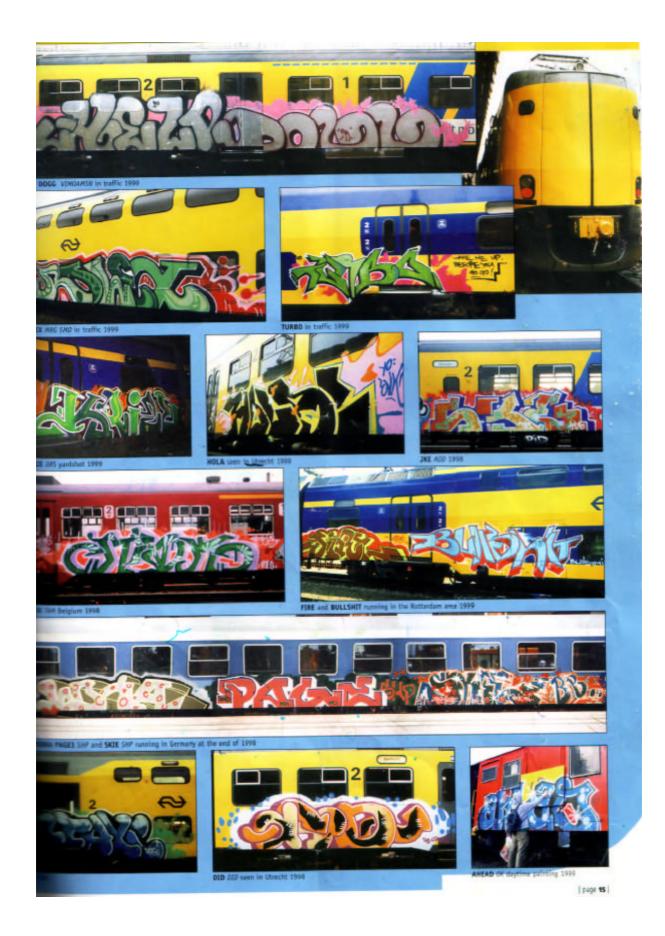












Skil

Who's Skile?

Skil, Top Dogs and I got some other names too. The name Skil comes from another tag I've used before; LIX (Liks). From the beginning it was 2 persons writing LIX, it was more like a crew name for us. He was the man with the bombing instinct and I just liked to paint. Then I changed my name into Skil and he went on with another name. Before that I used a lot of different names. I got interested in graffiti around '84-'85 but not because of the movies (Wildstyle, Stylewars). Instead I checked out the pieces along the subwayline in my neighbourhood and then I bought the Danish chewinggum-stickers. The first time I actually saw Stylewars was in 1989 I think. The first "piece" I did was a Sperm piece, the first train I painted was a subway and I did it in late 1989.

What's the impact of graffiti on your everyday life?

Graffiti is something I think of every day. I don't paint every day but there's always something graffiti-related on my mind. In the beginning I just painted walls so may'be my life's more stressed nowadays due to painting trains. But it's more fun to do a really good piece under pressure. Sometimes the result of a 30-minutes piece is better than a 2-hour piece. Nowadays I don't rack the paint because of the lack of time and the paint is mostly very well secured. I rather buy it cheap from stores in and out the country where the price is better. But if there's a chance I take it.

Is style an important topic?

For me the style had always been the first priority. When you're doing a silver piece it's important that it has some kind of style otherwise the piece can look really ugly. It doesn't have to be complicated but it has to look clean. A lot of pieces are messed up and hidden behind a lot of colours. Nowadays I don't sketch that much. I like to go more into freestyling. May'be I do a sketch at home to have some ideas later on. I think the plecing goes faster without a sketch and the flow in the piece is better, on trains anyway. I don't think I have an own style because I like to do different pieces every time and I always get inspired by other writers but in the end you might see a personal touch...

What's your favorite graffiti discipline?

I've never been a bomber but I like to get into some bombing sometimes or doing throw ups, that's fun too! I want to do "one" good piece rather than three fast ones. I like to go paint with three or four writers at once and plan out everything, the colours, the styles and then the result hopefully looks really good. Things can become kind of hard in the yards but some people in Stockholm will do a really high quali-

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ty piece anyway. Wholecars are more difficult cause there are only a few spots with platforms or you have to climb on ladders between the trains. Me I like to do a window down end to end burner with some friends.

If you had to choose 3 (train-) writers who would that be and why?

It's impossible to pick out three trainwriters because there are 50 many good ones out there but some styles have always impressed me. I really like Cave's style, that's pure trainstyle for me. I really like Kent's styles on trains they're both complicated and very clean at the same time. The third writer I pick is another Copenhagen writer and that's Kegr. He can mix both good characters, good colorcombinations and a good style. I think a lot of good trainwriters come from Scandinavia (Finland, Denmark, Norway and Sweden). At least a lot of my inspiration comes from these countries. The three writers I've picked are not in a particular order like from 1 to 3. I just picked some writers who inspire me for the moment.

Is a "partner in crime" of any importance to you?

Yes I've always paint with good friends. It's always safer and easier to paint with people you know good. I don't like to paint with lots of people at the same time it's better to split up in two groups and go to different spots. Sometimes I've been painting alone but being alone can have as much disadvantadges then advantadges.

How's the situation for the train-writers in Stockholm?

The situation right now is much harder than it. was a year ago. The Vandal Squad is effective and together with some new laws, the buffers and bluepainters they're trying to keep the commutertrains clean and even the subways and walls along the lines. But if you check out the commutertrains and see all the "bluepainted" tags and pieces you can see that nevertheless a lot of trains get painted. If you see a painted subway in traffic you're very lucky because the SL (Storstockholms Lokaltraffic) take them out of service the moment they spot a piece or tag on their subways. They don't care if it's rush hour and hundreds of people are waiting on the stations to go to work, they'll take em out anyway and blame the writers for the delay that occures. It's getting the same with

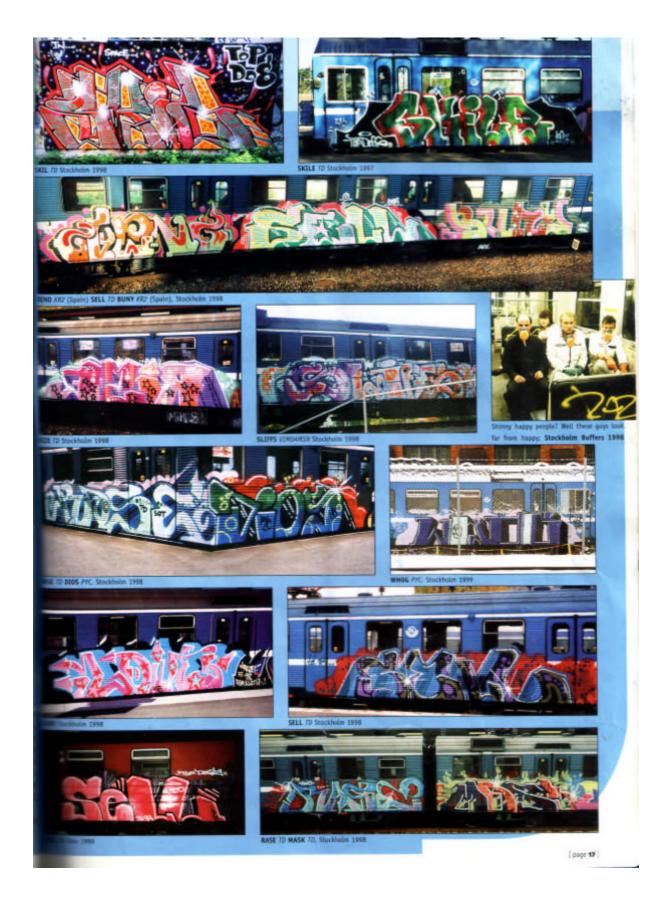
the commuters. If a piece is rolling they is it out or "bluepaint" it in a lay-up at days. Takin nightflicks is therefore necesary to proof of your work. They don't like graffit in any form, that's why we don't have any swalls anymore and if there's going to be as kind of exhibition like we had this "Stockhoutbraicity-summer" the politicians and trying to close it down immediately. Too politicians in Stockhouth hate graffit at they should better spend their money and engy on something more important.

Stockholm not just the biggest grafficity in Sweden but also one of the graffit attractions in Europe, how do you fee about that?

It's cool to see so many people from differe cities in Sweden are painting nowadays. 15 can see their stuff on the internet or sometime a pannel or even wholecar on a local train com ming from another city rolls into Stockhol Central Station. I haven't been on interrail rea ly, but I've travelled to other countries for to same reason, to paint! It's fun to see other trainsystems and other cultures. It looks alway easier in other countries. But of course write visiting your country feel the same. It's good to check information about the recent situation from yards and lay-ups you're planning to visit We had a lot of interrailers this summer. That both good and bad! Good because you mee new people and get to know new, fresh styles Bad because the graffitihaters get more active After this summer a lot of money is spent or new protections such as more guards, alarm and fences in order to keep the trainwriter out! The media seems to be happy writing about writers from other cities and countrie trying to destroy our town ("with planned organised terroristic actions!!!")

What means being in a crew for you?

A crew wasn't important for me but nowaday with the Top Dogs things are different. We know each other, the crew's more and less train- and wallwriters combined. But it doesn't matter because you decide for yourself how much and how often you wanna paint. No one's pushed by the rest of the crew to get the crew name up. I've always been painting with friends from other crews (or no crews at all and that's why a crew isn't the main motive. I paint with someone when he's a cool guy not because he's famous.



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Speeding train tears off "graffiti" man's arm England Martin



A suspected graffiti artist had his arm ripped off by a speeding train. The 24-year-old man lay screaming in agony after the limb was hurled several yards down the agony after the limb was hurled several yards down the track. Nearby residents heard the commotion and called police and paramedics. It is thought the man was spray painting a wall beside the line seconds before the 50mph train hit him. Police found a plastic bag of paint sprays and a balaclava near his severed right arm. The man, believed to come from Crawley, West Sussex, was rushed to hospital but was so distressed he did not even realise his arm bud been superari. his arm had been severed.

He was critically ill last night after a 10-hour operation. St George's hospital, south London, to try to stitch on. He also had broken ribs, a punctared lung and abures from the electrified track. Another man at the burns from the electrified track. Another man at the was arrested and bailed in connection with suspensional damage. The accident happened 100 yarms Earlswood station, near Rechill, Surrey, on Monday when he was hit by the 9.39pm Reading to Gatwick. The driver was unaware of the incident and did not A spokesman for Thames Trains said. This is tragic flyoung man, his family and our driver.



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