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Sterling moments amid trouble

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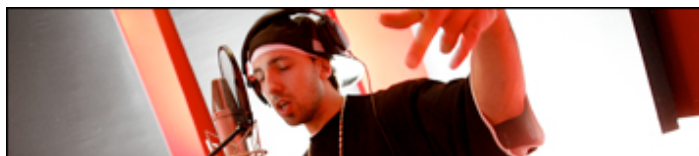
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The next beat poet

It started out as a fascination. Later, it became a "wordy game" among friends. The game turned into a battle; the battle turned into a way of life.


Robots are people, too

After she graduated from college with a minor in music, Christine Southworth found herself composing tunes no one could play. So she took the next logical step: She had a friend invent a robot.

A self-made band

The Bon Savants recorded their album without label support and absorbed all the costs out of pocket. They're in search of a label. (Boston Globe)

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Levine and Silja demonstrate skill and star power

The first program of James Levine's ambitious, two-season Beethoven/Schoenberg project to present works by both composers in significant juxtaposition fell to the Boston Symphony Chamber Players yesterday. There was also a memorable guest, legendary diva Anja Silja. (Boston Globe)

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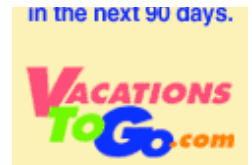
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