

Iron Chef

One Hour of High Octane Cooking

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Reporter

Iron Chef is like a combination of knock out fighting and Emeril. The more you watch the show the more you get addicted to it.

The show does not so much show you how to cook, but more of what others can cook. But that just makes it that much better.

Iron Chef Japan: Masaharu Morimoto lived in Japan and was trained as a chef in a sushi restaurant, until he moved to America in 1985.

His cooking style is a combination of Japanese color and style with some Italian and Chinese ingredients to create complete dishes that appeal to the taste buds as well as to the eye.

Iron Chef France, or Hiroiyuki Sakai. As a child growing up in Japan Hiroiyuki always wanted to be a chef, but did not agree with the traditional cooking apprenticeships: at age 19 he moved to Australia to master his cooking skills.

His dishes include classic Japanese techniques with French

details. His dishes are often very beautiful in color, which earned him respect as a master at French cooking.

Iron Chef Italy: Masahiko Kobe has always loved cooking even as a young child, he grew up in a family of peach and grape farmers.

He first started his cooking career in college while working at a local Japanese restaurant. At age 25 he moved from Japan to Italy, where he resides today.

Masahiko's cooking style blends various pasta arrangements he has acquired over the years earning him the name "prince of pasta".

Last but not least is Iron Chef China also known as Chen Kenichi. Chen was born in Tokyo, Chen takes after his father who was a well-known chef. Chen's specialty is classic Japanese dishes mixed with Szechwan cooking.

Chen has toned down the extremely spicy Szechwan dishes to create a more even taste. Chen always keeps a positive attitude when cooking and is well known

for it.

These are the four master chefs that make up the Food Network series, *Iron Chef*. Each episode one of these four chefs is chosen to be challenged by rivals from around the world to make the best dishes out of the mystery ingredient revealed at the beginning of the show.

The mystery ingredient is normally an ingredient you would not expect to be the focus point of a dish, such as octopi or onions. To make the show even harder, they only get sixty minutes to complete their dishes. This makes the show fast paced and very entertaining.

At the end of the sixty minutes, whoever makes the most tasteful and appealing dishes wins the competition and the bragging rights.

Iron chef is definitely a show that is for those looking for unusual combination of action and talent. The best of both worlds you might say.

I highly recommend that you go home tonight and watch *Iron Chef*. You will not regret it.

What do you think of the show Iron Chef?

"I like them all, I think they are all pretty good."

- Nathan Bergey, 10, Information Systems

"I love the show. If I was a show, I would be that one."

- Andrew Walker, 11, Social Systems

"It's funny how the words don't match what they say. It's wicked awesome."

- Ashley Bilyeu, 12, Living Systems

"I think it is a great idea. I just don't have time to watch it."

- Tim Helland, Teacher, Information Systems

"Smile Like You Mean It"

The Killers Debut Album, Hot Fuss, is Causing a Fuss Among Teens and Young Adults

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'Smile like you mean it.'

These are the words of lead vocalist of The Killers, Brandon Flowers.

This song is track two on their debut album *Hot Fuss*. *Hot Fuss* was released June 15th, 2004.

This album that mixes indie with alternative rock and a bit of techno.

These guys have given this music era something to really listen to. Something to really kick off

their shoes to.

With the hit singles "*Somebody Told Me*", "*Mr. Bright Side*" and "*All these things I have done*," they have shown the music lovers heart a whole new style; lyrics that have a meaning and a group of dedicated young men to rip up the stage at any show.

Songs of ambition and desire as well as murderers and past girlfriends. Guaranteed to give you the time of your life while listening to them.

The band line up is Brandon Flowers, lead vocalist and keyboards;

David Keuning, guitars; Mark Stermer, Bass; and Ronnie Vannucci on the drums.

Starting out in Las Vegas, they would practice in 102 degree temperatures.

It was during this time that the band wrote and rehearsed most of the songs on the new album.

Once word started to spread about The Killers, they made their way to the UK for their first gigs outside of Las Vegas.

The boys were off touring the UK with British Sea Power and Stellastar and in the end they

confidently self-produced their record.

Every band has people or other groups who influence them, as do The Killers.

Some of the most memorable entertainers of all time have inspired

The Killers including Elvis Presley and even David Bowie.

The Killers know their music styles and enjoy the oldies but the goodies.

With their catchy music and their cheerful mood, The Killers are worth a listen.

Battle of the Consoles

It is All About Being Backwards Compatible

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Reporters

As most of the world now knows, the “Next Gen Consoles” coming from all three of the major players in the gaming market (Sony, Microsoft and Nintendo) will be released some time in 2005-2006.

Now, when thinking of a new console, these questions should come to mind.

Is it backwards compatible (the ability to play games from the previous systems if there is one)?

Was I satisfied with the last console from this company and what kind of game library did the last system have?

The *Xbox 360* and the *PS3* were revealed at the 2005 E3 Expo among many of the games to be released.

November 22 the *Xbox 360* will be released in North America. Following closely afterwards will be the *PS3*'s release in early spring 2006.

The Nintendo *Revolution* will also be released some time in 2006. The exact date is unknown due to the console being in its early stages.

When it comes to Microsoft, none of these things apply.

The new *Xbox 360*, while impressive, is

NOT fully backwards compatible. The console is only able to play certain games from the predecessor.

Granted this system will have massive amounts of memory, amazing graphics and a blazing hard drive.

The lack of backwards compatibility from the original console. Wireless controllers as standard, being battery hogs will cost a pretty penny.

Lacking in selection (the Halo series does not count). All of this makes the *Xbox 360* very displeasing.

For you Halo fans, the *Xbox 360* will most likely hold an updated version of Halo 2. Although the graphics will be updated, it is likely that is all that will change. This just goes to show how desperate Microsoft is already.

Now, on the other hand we have the *PS3*. The *PS3* does not need “inter-changeable face plates” and three processors to completely kick some serious butt. Unfortunately, we will have to wait until early 2006 for our game system, but it is well worth the wait.

With the ability to use up to seven controllers with *Bluetooth* technology, it makes for some insane multiplayer melee battles. Although I am still wondering how they are going to go about splitting the screen seven ways. Not to mention

there are many more games already set for the *PS3*'s release, stacked up against the *Xbox 360*'s three or four.

Unlike the *Xbox 360*, the *PS3* has state-of-the-art technology. Among this arsenal is the new *BluRay* DVD.

Capable of holding up to, if not more, than 4 times the data a current DVD can hold. This allows the *PS3* game developers more room to improve game length and graphic capabilities.

We cannot forget the *Nintendo Revolution* now can we? Like the predecessors, the *Revolution* will surely flop.

Do not let the sleek design fool you, as the inside is what counts.

According to leaked statistics, the *Revolution* stands no chance to the *PS3* or the *Xbox 360*.

As the old saying goes, “Never judge a book by its cover.” The *Revolution* has its upside. Nintendo is adding Internet support, allowing you to download and play any Nintendo based game.

Being able to play Donkey Kong, or Zelda on your *Revolution* would be awesome. Of course it will not be free, a small fee will be charged, but at a fraction of the cover price.

This reviewer's recommendation: Go for the *PS3*.

Good Omens

Angels and Demons Fight Over Adam in Preparation for the Apocalypse

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To those of you who always knew you were special, always knew that something spectacular was destined for you, you are lucky that you are aware of this knowledge, as not everyone is blessed with that type of foresight.

“Good Omens” is a graphic tale of the world behind the world.

Adam of Tadfield, Arizona, was not aware of his great abilities and the destiny that was chosen for him through birthright.

Throughout his entire life, Adam was neglected by the greater beings that were supposed to have been keeping their “all-seeing eye” on him.

They were to observe and guide him, and through a rather comical mishap, they mistake another child for him.

The reality of the normal, which Adam has desperately clung to, is ripped from his tiny little fingers when he comes into contact with strangest of characters.

Characters such as: the highly intoxicated duo of angel-demon guardians, an insane seer and a

mighty hell hound (guardian of hell's prospects) smaller than a Dachshund that goes by the name of Dog. Do not forget the destructive parish of nuns.

What I found most appealing in the book was the light-hearted joyfulness of the events that so oddly take place.

Throughout the course of the prospective apocalypse there is a much less sense of horror as is normally expected.

The story gives a sense of happiness and expected outcomes, as if all of this was planned and there would be no surprise in store for

anyone.

The sarcastic and clever jokes make the readers giggle silently to themselves.

Though the book is hard to grasp in the beginning, the exotic details and consistent satire spark the most imaginative of situations.

The authors, Neil Gaiman and Terry Pratchett mix fact, fantasy and Catholic mythology.

This story concludes a supposed never-ending battle. Keep in mind that four horsemen, a raging volcano, a fierce hellhound and worldly chaos are not “Good Omens.”