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BEAT BREAKDOWN

Get down with ... Darin Epsilon

By Mary Susan Littlepage

Who: Darin Epsilon, a Chicago-based DJ known for playing breaks, progressive house, techno and tech-trance

Where: Saturday at the Congress Theater with progressive house and trance pioneer BT; regularly at **Vision Nightclub** (632 N. Dearborn St.), where he's a resident DJ with AMP Productions

Sound: "Anything made with raw emotion and passion. My friends would call it atmospheric and dreamy with a chugging vibe to it."

Darin Epsilon

When: 10:30 p.m. Saturday

Where: Congress Theater, 2135 N. Milwaukee Ave.

With: BT, Blake Jarrell, Ryan B, Seneca

Tickets: free, congresschicago.com

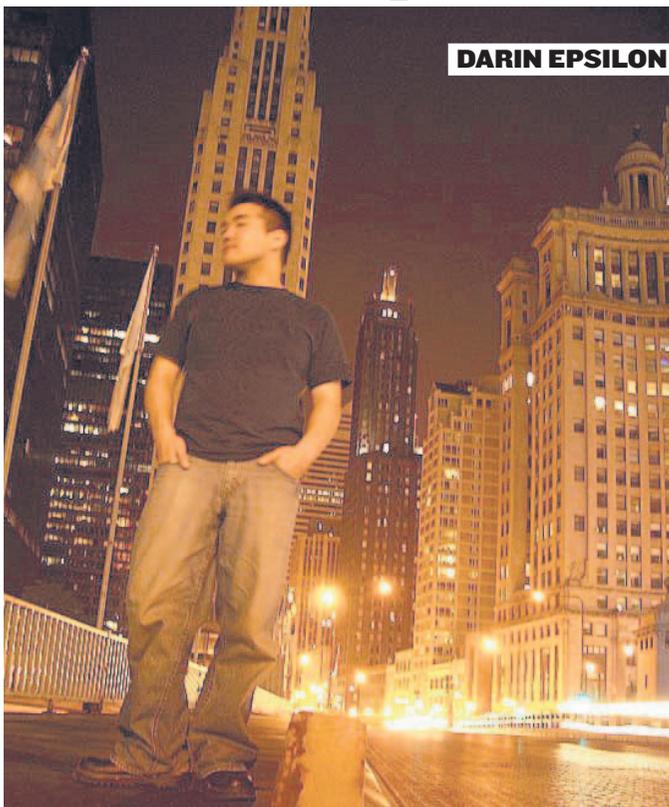
Need-to-know: Epsilon opened for one of his musical inspirations, Montreal-based DJ/producer Max Graham, at **Spy Bar** (646 N. Franklin St.) in April 2006, and he recently played three shows at the Miami Winter Music Conference. Still, he says

Saturday's BT show is "one of the highlights of my DJ-ing career."

Wise words: Epsilon's goal this year is to build his discography: "So many DJs and producers are playing the same music, it is becoming increasingly important to produce your own material and have your own voice."

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SATURDAY & SUNDAY NIGHTS' BEST BEATS

BERLIN
10 p.m. Sat.: DJ Larissa, no cover before 11 p.m. or \$5-\$7 after; 954 W. Belmont Ave. 773-348-4975.

BEVIAMO
8 p.m. Sat.: Cinco De Mayo fiesta features DJ Tony Montes, no cover; 1358 W. Taylor St. 312-455-8255.

CROBAR
10 p.m. Sat.: Robbie Rivera, Mixin Marc, Nathan Scott and Victor R, \$20; 1512 N. Fremont St. 312-266-1900.

METRO
11 p.m. Sat.: Amon Tobin with Chris Widman and Luke Stokes, \$16; 8 p.m. Sun.: LCD Soundsystem and Prinzhorn Dance School, sold out; 3730 N. Clark St. 773-549-0203.

OHM
10 p.m. Sat.: Cinco De Mazi. Birthday-boy

Mazi plays alongside David Duriez. Frank Solano and Andre Harris also appear. Free before midnight with RSVP to ohmnightlife.com, \$20 at door; 1958 W. North Ave. 773-278-4646.

SONOTHEQUE
9 p.m. Sat.: Inner Sound System presents Vibration from Within featuring DJs Anthony Nicholson and Torin Edmond, \$10; 10 p.m. Sun.: Cool and Deadly Digital features DJ Rikshaw and guest DJs, no cover; 1444 W. Chicago Ave. 312-226-7600.

SMART BAR
10 p.m. Sat.: Miles Maeda, Inbum and Joshua E., \$10; 10 p.m. Sunday: LCD Soundsystem afterparty presents James Murphy, Pat Mahoney, Al Doyle, Tim Heit and James Lauer, \$5; 3730 N. Clark St. 773-549-0203.

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