

Throwback: Deee-Lite-Groove Is In The Heart

Deee-Lite's introduction began with their seminal party track "Groove Is In The Heart." The song spearheaded their debut album *World Clique* in 1990 although it was written in the late '80s. They took their cues from disco, funk and house and Q-Tip provided hip-hop in the mix with his verses. The Lady Miss Kier Kirby gave great visuals as the trio's frontwoman with colorful retro fashion from the '70s. The old becomes new again vibe had an authentic seal with the presence of James Brown alumni Bootsy Collins, Maceo Parker and Fred Wesley. "Groove Is In The Heart" caught on quickly in clubs worldwide and it also topped several charts. Towa Tei, DJ Dmitry and the Lady Miss Kier Kirby were one of the most known dance music groups at the time and *World Clique* was a landmark of the '90s. The album reached Gold status by the end of 1990 thanks to subsequent singles "Power Of Love" "Good Beat" and "E.S.P." Deee-Lite released three albums before breaking up in 1994 but *World Clique* remains their most played record.

DJ Dmitry still works as a DJ and has remixed numerous artists from his base in Berlin. Towa Tei has released solo albums under his name and his side project Sweet Robots Against The Machine as well as a series of compilation albums and EPs. The Lady Miss Kier Kirby works as a DJ, solo artist and is recognized as a fashion icon by the industry that continues to use her image and music for magazines and all kinds of Fashion Week events.

