## Throwback: LadyBug Mecca-Dogg Starr

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As one-third of the jazzy hip-hop group Digable Planets, Mary Ann "Ladybug Mecca" Vieira emerged as a rapper in 1992. Her airy enunciations added an anchor of female energy to the trio. The group released two critically acclaimed albums with the first one going Gold and winning a Grammy. By 1995 Mecca left the fold and the group dissolved until they went on a reunion tour in 2005. She made a permanent departure from Digable Planets that year and released her solo album *Trip The Light Fantastic*. In 2010 she gave an <u>interview</u> and talked about her work as a DJ under the name of Ladybug Mek.

## New Music From Butterfly And Doodlebug

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Digable Planets died way too soon and although each member released individual solo projects nothing had the same impact as the insects together. Butterfly and Doodlebug have recorded new music and uploaded it to their <a href="Myspace">Myspace</a> page. They sound just as clear as they did back in '93! A tour is scheduled to start in October with each band member showcasing their individual groups as well as Digable material. Who knows maybe they will get Ladybug Mecca to join them on some of the dates. In addition to their new collaborative music Butterfly has a new Cherrywine concern and Doodlebug has a current Cosmic Funk

Allstars album.