

## Inventions topped inventions.

This year, we saw cable lines not only enhance television but surfing speed and e-commerce as well.

### Electronic organizers rock.

From the palm of your hand you can check e-mail, invest in futures or buy a present for Mom.

### Oh yeah, and get organized.

The newest digital cameras have greater picture quality as well as roomier disk space,

while the next generation MP3s

are smaller, faster, more portable, and provide better-than-ever sound quality.

Toyota was among the future-thinking car companies to introduce hybrid cars.

Half -electric and half gasoline-powered, these new wheels will eventually be as easy on the pocketbook as they are on the planet.

### Playstation 2

and the latest Nintendo made the virtual world more entertaining.

# SHOCKING!



## Performers

like Hoku and Jakob Dylan of the Wallflowers emerged from the shadows of their famous parents.

## Blink-182

lets their California style influence their wardrobe and music, which led them to an MTV music award for "All the Small Things."

## Globalization

has had a profound effect on the style-music industry.

Latin's back with a bang with the return of Carlos Santana and the rise of Enrique Inglesias along with Christina Aguilera's release of a Latin-style CD this year. And we saw Ricky Martin going global with a tour reaching as far as Austral-Asia.

On the local scene, many underground performers have been rocketed into the mainstream, as was Moby, the one-time New York DJ, with the immensely popular "Play," image is everything.

# LIVE BABY LIVE!

Madonna came alive (what else is new) with her new "Music," reinvigorating her original dance-music roots.

Unbelievably, this mother of two has topped the charts for some three decades now.

## Her concert,

performed in a London pub, was one of the most-watched events on the Internet to date.

And with MTV, VH1, Napster, and others, the faces of today's performers are seen live everywhere.

For pop princesses like Britney Spears, Christina Aguilera and Aaliyah, as well as the ubiquitous boy bands, image is as big as (maybe bigger than) their music.

For performers like the Backstreet Boys, LFO, 98° and especially \*NSYNC, style is the substance of pop.

Check out their live shows.