

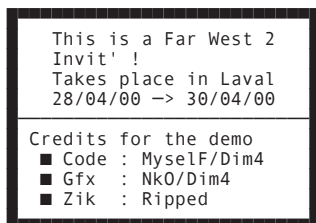
the farwest 2

Demoparty Report

Around the year 2000 (and/or 2001) I got invited by Danube^Mutant Inc to join the Far West Demoparty, which took place 3 years in a row in Laval, France. The event was organized by the DIM4 crew at an engineering school, and it had a super friendly and chill vibe. The competitions focused on a few categories: "graphics," "music," and "game development." Interestingly, this made the Far West party one of the first game jams, two years before Chris Hecker and Sean Barrett's Indie Game Jam.

When I got back from the Far West event, I put together some notes, sketches, and Polaroids I took on site. I'm sharing those docs here, along with the invitation .info (extracted from the intro for Far West 2) for some context.

fra^resistance^mutant inc^mandarine (Apr. 2023)



<— This is a bug isn't it ??? ARf !

Sorry for music...

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La far west 2 a lieu a Laval (Mayenne 53) du vendredi 28 avril 2000
a 20h00 au dimanche 30 avril a 22h00. La coding est limitee a 50 machines
maxi et l'entree est fixee a 50 FF. Venez nombreux. Visitez notre
site Ouebe de la MoRt :
<http://www.esiea-ouest.fr/pp/renard>
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//=[Pour ceux que ca interesse]=

Oui je sais, le donnut il est en flat... et bah c'est fait expres... Y a
rien de plus beau que le flat a part le fil de fer... On ne m'enlevera
pas cette idee ! OldSchoooooooooool !

//=[Greetings]=

C'est la tradition... Il en faut ;)))

Future Crew · Triton · Eclipse · Pulse · Bomb · O-Juice

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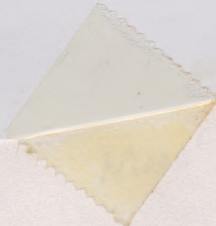
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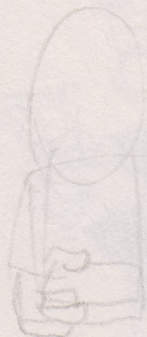
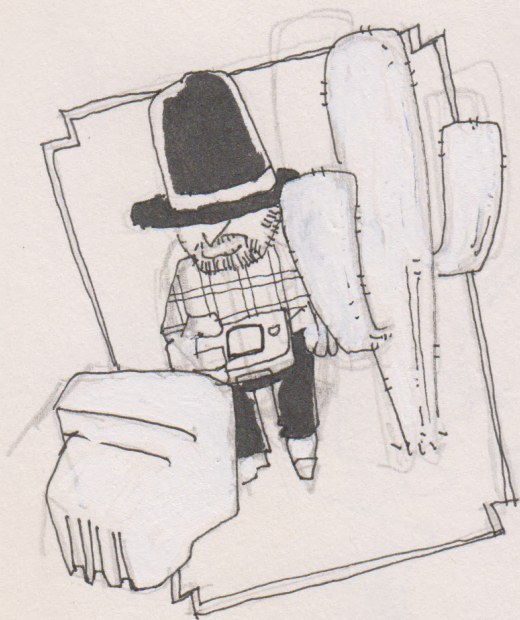
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"The Saloon.
The party west of Mayenne.
Even coders get the blues"



the Danube
&
the DIM4 staff (part of...)



The Danube & the DIM4 Staff (part of...)



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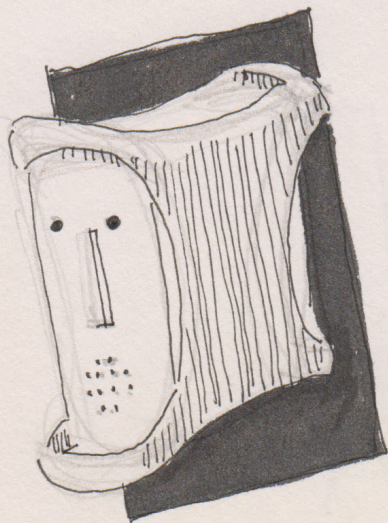


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