

# **NoMoreNoise** *Toronto!*

## EC12.9 - Night Economy Manifesto

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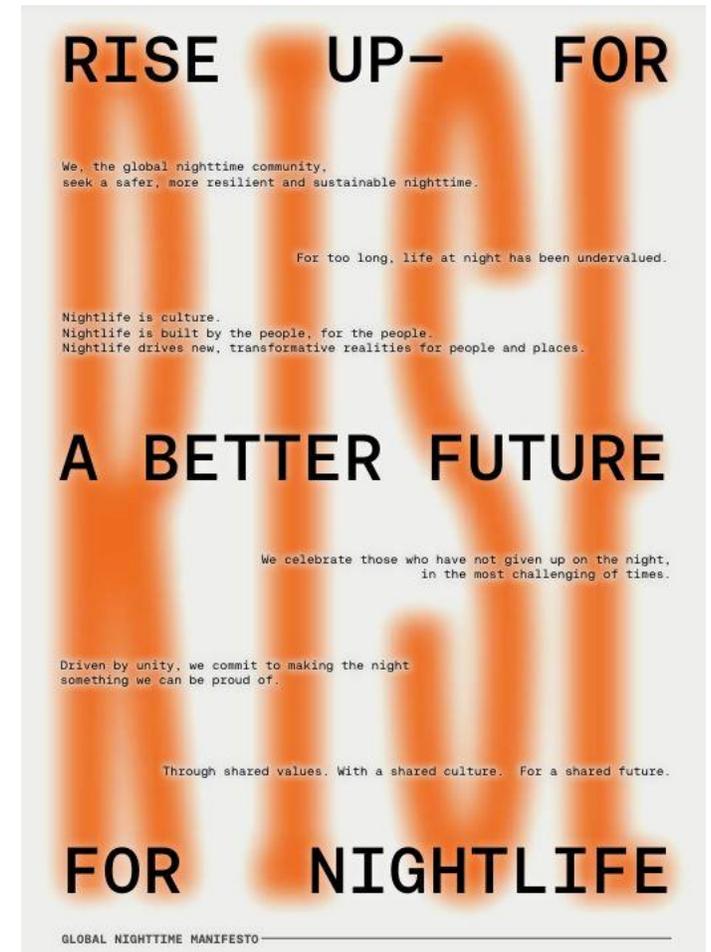
- Ingrid Buday, Founder
- Founded this group over 1.5 years ago after I learned that I am not the only one who is experiencing significant health issues due to noise
- I have heard many stories about amplified sound and how disruptive it is
  - Positive changes are coming with the zoning changes.
  - There is room for improvement.

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# Nighttime Manifesto

- We, the global nighttime community, seek a safer, more resilient and sustainable nighttime.
- Driven by unity, we commit to making the night something we can be proud of.
- Through shared values. With a shared culture. For a shared future.

Largely self centered. No mention of sound or noise or integrating with the people in the community from a philosophical level.



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# Onus

- The **onus** of applying the visions of this Manifesto in practice **is on dedicated leaders and their communities who need to work together and think critically about their local contexts and needs.**
- **The “local context” advocates for**
  - **Better amplified sound reporting and enforcement and resolution**
  - **Noise Control Plans**
  - **All items in Noise Plan Level 1 be required**
  - **Community Consultations/ Mediation**
  - **Advance Notice of Exemptions**
  - **Area sound level monitoring**

## Noise Control Plan Level 1

- Acknowledgment of Noise Bylaws
- Identification of equipment & frequency of use

Upon request:

- Actions taken to alleviate excessive noise
- Monitoring of exterior of premises
- Engagement process with residents, resident groups, etc
- Persistent reports response

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# Representative Shortcomings

“While we were able to engage many different perspectives, there are important shortcomings that influence the representativeness of this Manifesto.

Included	Left Out
European backgrounds cities, or club cultures,	Many non-city, non-club, and non-Western perspectives from different nightlife scenes
Held in English	Those who do not speak the language.
Had access to stable and affordable Internet	Those without
Volunteer effort	those who could not afford to join without compensation
City Officials	Host Communities (Involuntary)
	Those with disabilities
	Families, Seniors, etc

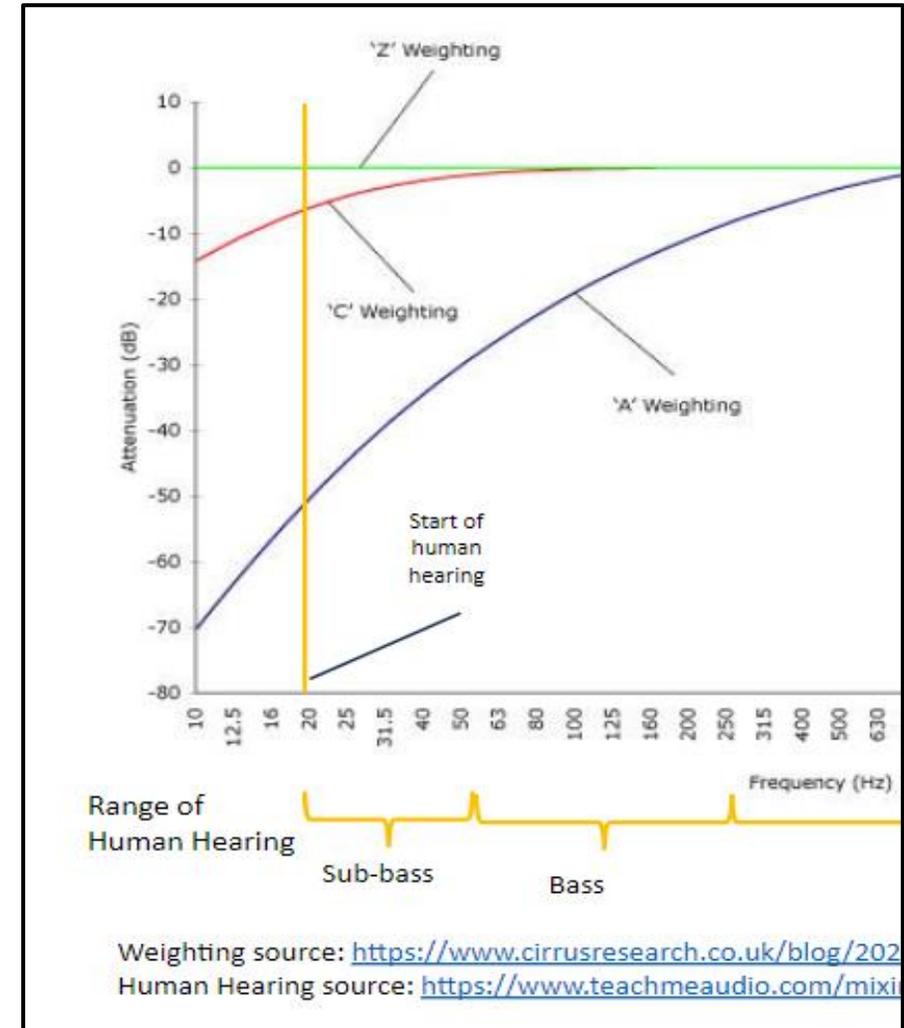
# Low Frequency Sound

Low frequency noise goes through concrete, glass, can be felt in the body.

Electronic music can amp up this part of the spectrum.

It is impossible to ignore.

## Decibel Weightings



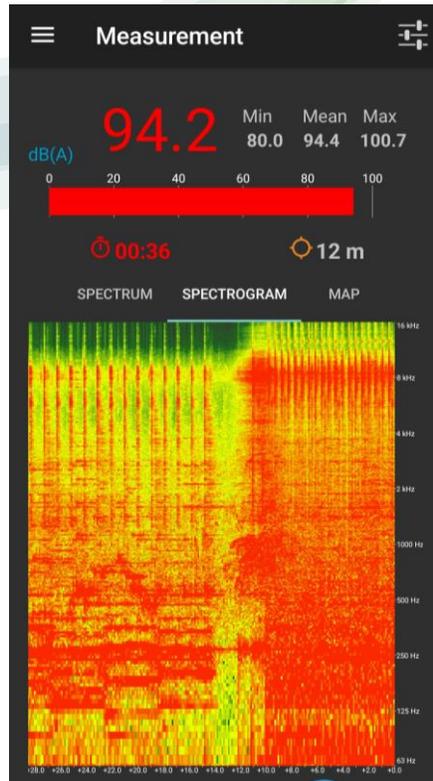
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# Amplified Sound

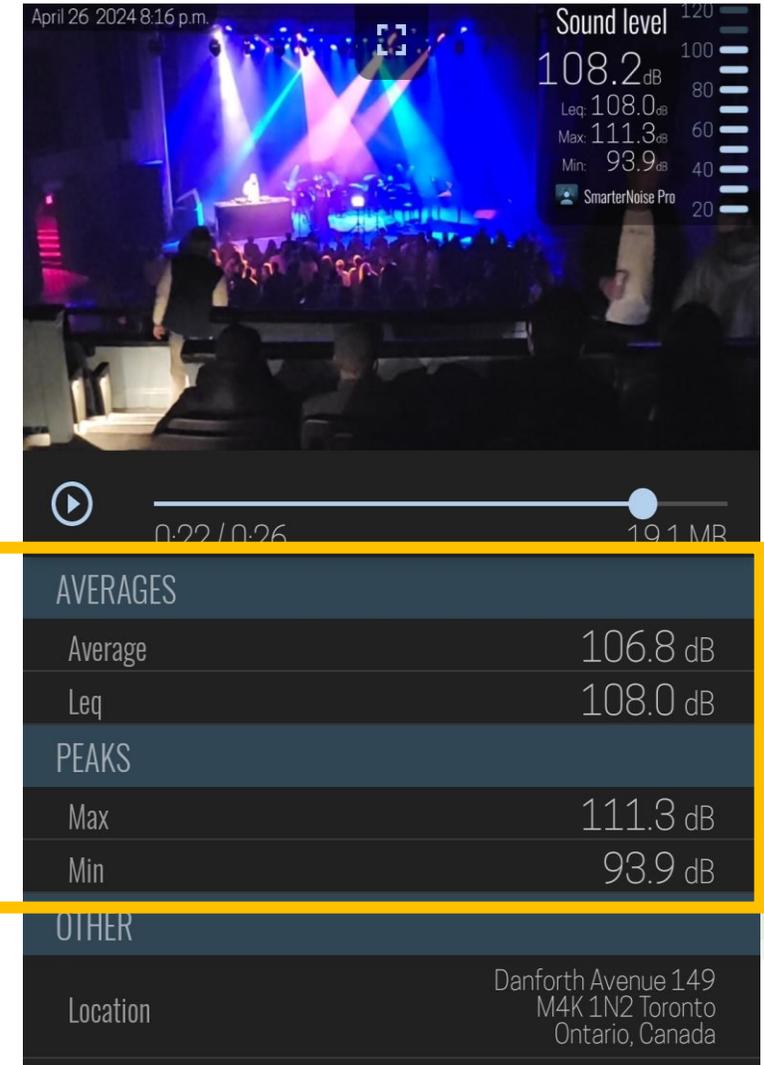
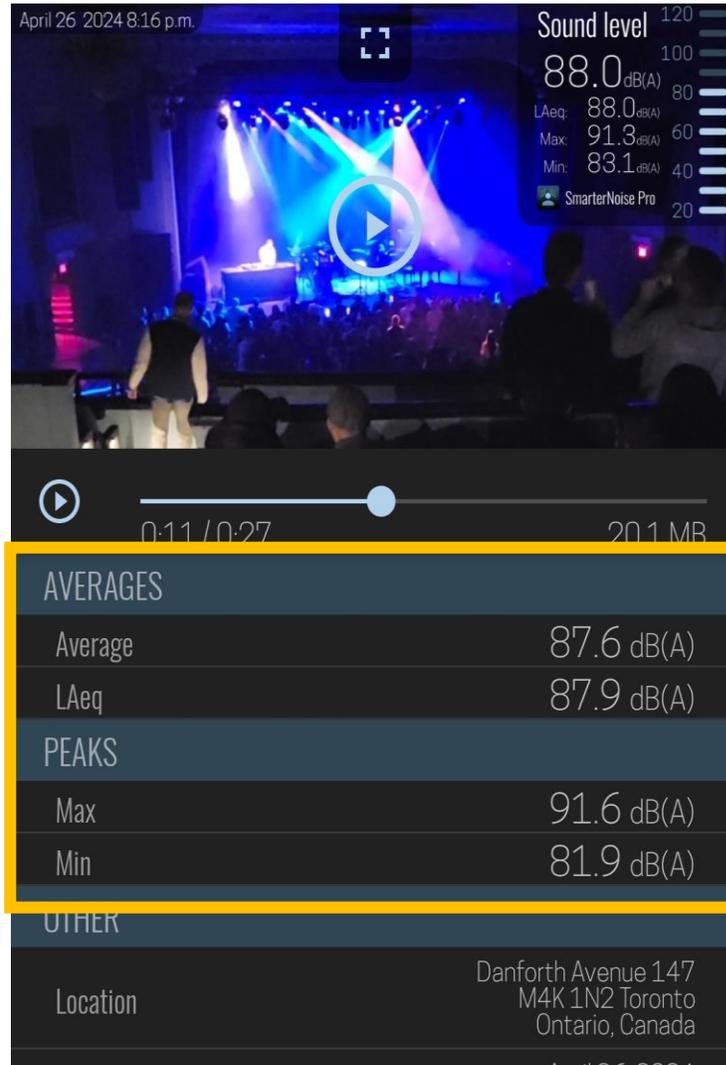
App: Smarter Noise Pro

**DBA Max 91.6**

**DBZ Max 111.3**



App: Noise Capture



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# Inspiration

TORONTO STAR

## Toronto's nightlife is faltering. Here's how some are working to make it worthy of a world-class city

As commercial rents rise and venues close, business owners, local artists – even the city itself – are coming up with ways to inject new life into the night.

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[Spacing: Are Commercial Third Spaces a Dying Breed?](#)

- We hope that the ideas here **inspire nighttime communities**— —those represented and not— —to embark on future collaborations, engagements, and endeavors with a greater intention to build **safer communities and more resilient and sustainable scenes.**

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## It is possible

- Operators and Community groups, residents must work together
- Need better processes to report amplified sound
- We need to create safe Third Spaces where people can connect and gather
- While we need to protect the night, we also need to protect our sleep and the night for the hosts of these scenes and events.

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