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- * Form groups to create 'demos'
- * 'Compos' in demo parties
- * Scandinavia & Europe

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- * Realtime gfx, zik, 3D & code
- * Small, elegant & free
- * Attempt new fx
- * Intros related to pirating
- * Platforms & categories
- * Some are art, many are not.

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What are Demo Parties?

- * Computers, booze & big screen
- * Several days non-stop
- * Biggest not always the best
- * Larger ones 2000-5000 people
- * Nerd olympics
- * Europe avg 1 party per week

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How large is C=64 DemoScene?

- * Examine C=64 scene via HVSC
- * High Voltage SID Collection
- * Version 41=27,653 songs!
- * Last update Jan 28th, 2005
- * 1400 files last 4 months
- * SID is popular!

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Why the C=64?

- * Pirate history
- * Not commercially viable
- * Simple-64kb-1mhz-320x200x16
- * 56 assembly instructions
- * Designed by coders for coders
- * SID chip

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Why is it folk art?

- * Use of accessible tools
- * Open sharing community
- * Anti-commercial('pirate ethic')
- * Programmer creativity
- * Non-functional = Art?
- * History, short but strong

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Examples

- * ESI 'Crack' Intro
- * Monolith - Open Source
- * Cybertracker - Music Tracker
- * Deus Ex - The best C=64 demo?
- * Garden - Music Demo
- * C64 Emulator - VICeteam.org

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Links

- * FAQ: tomaes.32x.de/text/faq.php
- * Demos: pouet.net
- * Scene music: scenemusic.net
- * C=64 Intros: intros.c64.org
- * The scene: scene.org
- * C=64 Scene: c64.sk

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