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## My New Year's Playlist

With 2026 in full swing I wanted to share my New Year's playlist incorporating great musicianship, research themes (space and robots) and travel experiences while capturing the scientific zeitgeist heading into 2026.

The following list (limited to 20 titles) is not meant to be an exhaustive catalogue of songs about space, computers and robotics. I really like Space Truckin' (Deep Purple) and Rocket Man (Elton John) but they're just not what I'm drawn to right now. If you haven't heard some of the following tunes... why not give them a chance? What's on your playlist?

Here's to making history in 2026.

The Robots Are Coming.

Stay Human.

AJ

(songs in alphabetical order)

- **1983... (A Merman I Should Turn to Be) (Jimi Hendrix).** "The Machine that we built would never save us."
- **2112: (Overture / The Temples Of Syrinx / Discovery) (Rush).** "Our great computers fill the hallowed halls."
- **Are "Friends" Electric? (Gary Numan).** Perspectives on companionship in the robot era.
- **Computer God (Back Sabbath w Ronnie James Dio).** "This way - to technical paradise."
- **Darkness in Search of a Sun (Jan Hammer/Jeff Beck).** From the beginning of time to the first percolations of the primordial soup.
- **I Melt With You (Modern English).** "I've seen some changes but it's getting better all the time."
- **Life on Mars? (David Bowie).** "Rule Britannia is out of bounds... to my mother, my dog, and clowns."
- **Manhattan Reflections (Ahmad Jamal).** Soundtrack for my morning walk from Grand Central to Times Square.
- **Moon Tune (Bob James & David Sanborn).** The entire Double Vision album is a Mount Olympus of mid-80's smooth jazz.
- **Mystic Man (Peter Tosh).** "Man of the past. And I'm living in the present. And I'm walking in the future."
- **Planet Caravan (Black Sabbath).** "As we travel... the universe." Miss you Ozzy.
- **Ricercar a 6 from The Musical Offering (Bach).** Go someplace quiet, close your eyes and try to 'see' the music. Give it a chance.
- **Robots (Flight of the Conchords).** Hard to describe. Just listen. And watch

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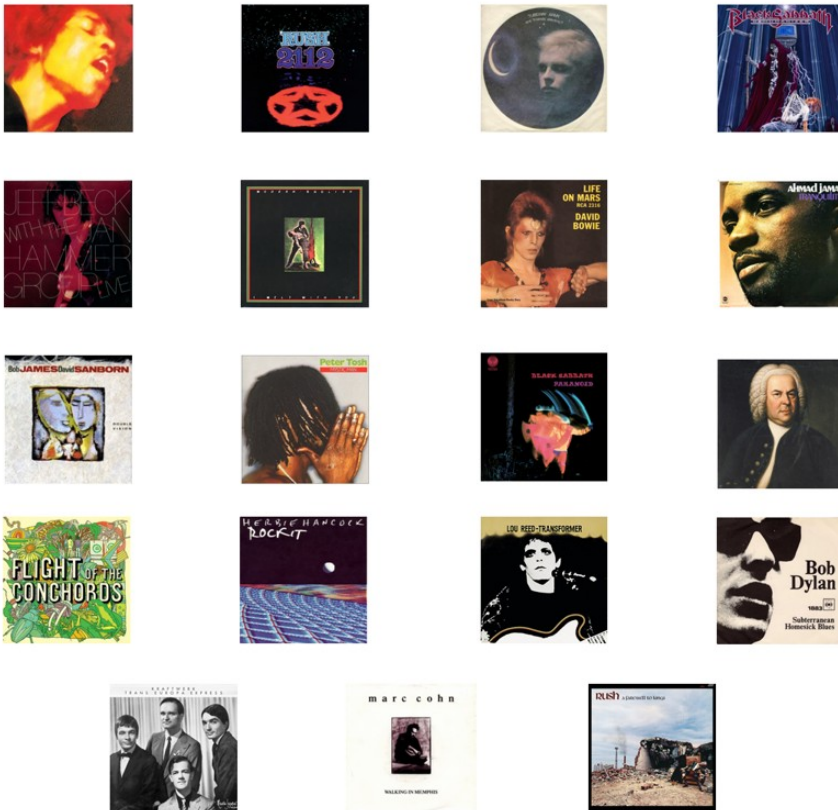
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the YouTube video.

- **Rockit (Herbie Hancock).** Fully robotic iconic MTV music video. Herbie's chops go far deeper than this.
- **Satellite of Love (Lou Reed).** "Satellite's gone way up to Mars. Soon it'll be filled with parking cars." David Bowie provides crazy high backing vocals on the outro.
- **Subterranean Homesick Blues (Bob Dylan).** Robert Friedland reintroduced me to this one a few years ago. Have the vandals took the handles? Thank you, Robert.
- **Trans-Europe Express (Kraftwerk).** Atmospheric soundtrack for a recent trip to Northern Europe and Bavaria.
- **Walking in Memphis (Marc Cohn).** Was in Memphis last week for the first time in many years. Don't care if he's a 1 hit wonder. Still satisfying.
- **Xanadu (Rush).** "For I have dined on honeydew. And drunk the milk of paradise..." Rush playing 4 nights at MSG next summer. Love you JoJo! ;-)

Exhibit 1: My Holiday Playlist



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