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## Top 12 Best Happy Neat-O List of 2009!

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Well, what do you know— this year’s list is right on time, and it actually has 12 entries! (*Well, one is a repeat. But it appears there is hope for my stunted mathematical abilities, no?*)

Having picked myself up from the 78 rpm-induced wreckage of last night’s party for one, I’ve found that 2010 is presenting me with the challenge to improve my broadcasts and my reach as a researching DJ. We’ll see how it goes, but for now, enjoy my Top 12 Best Happy Neat-O List for 2009! *As always, these are presented in no particular order.*



7) Neil Rolnick — [“The Economic Engine”](#) — This is why I always present my list in “no particular order.” Clearly, my noise activities aren’t any threat to Rolnick’s absolute ability to command my stereo for days at a time. On his third release for Innova, Rolnick presents a compelling four-part picture of modern China, and it’s a set of works that really gets me excited to have heard them. It doesn’t hurt that this is fertile material for intellectual consideration as well— it ought to at least hold me until Rolnick’s next offering.