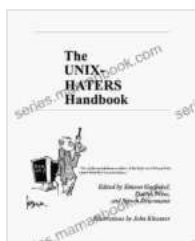


# Two of Berkeley's Most Famous Products: LSD and Unix

Berkeley is a hotbed of innovation, and two of its most famous products are LSD and Unix. These two iconic creations have had a profound impact on the world, and their stories are fascinating.



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## LSD

LSD, or lysergic acid diethylamide, is a psychedelic drug that was first synthesized by Albert Hofmann in 1938. Hofmann was a Swiss chemist working for the pharmaceutical company Sandoz. He was researching ergot, a fungus that grows on rye, when he accidentally ingested LSD. He soon experienced vivid hallucinations, and he realized that he had discovered a powerful new drug.

Sandoz began marketing LSD as a psychiatric drug in the 1950s. It was used to treat a variety of mental illnesses, including anxiety, depression,

and schizophrenia. However, LSD also had a recreational use, and it soon became popular among hippies and other countercultural groups.

In the 1960s, LSD became a symbol of the counterculture movement. It was used at music festivals and other gatherings, and it was seen as a way to expand consciousness and experience enlightenment. However, LSD also had its dark side. Some people who took LSD experienced bad trips, and the drug was linked to a number of deaths.

In 1970, LSD was made illegal in the United States. However, it continues to be used recreationally, and it is still considered to be one of the most powerful psychedelic drugs.

## **Unix**

Unix is a computer operating system that was developed at Berkeley in the 1970s. It was created by a group of programmers led by Ken Thompson and Dennis Ritchie. Unix was designed to be a portable operating system, and it could be run on a variety of different computers.

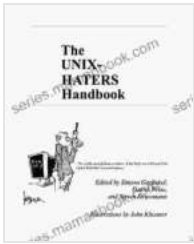
Unix quickly became popular with programmers and computer scientists. It was used to develop a wide range of software, including the C programming language, the TCP/IP protocol, and the World Wide Web. Unix is still used today, and it is the basis for many modern operating systems, including Linux and macOS.

## **The Legacy of Berkeley**

LSD and Unix are two of the most famous products of Berkeley, and they have had a profound impact on the world. LSD has been used to explore

the depths of human consciousness, while Unix has helped to shape the modern world of computing.

Berkeley is a place where innovation thrives. It is a place where new ideas are born and where the future is being shaped. LSD and Unix are just two examples of the many great things that have come out of Berkeley.



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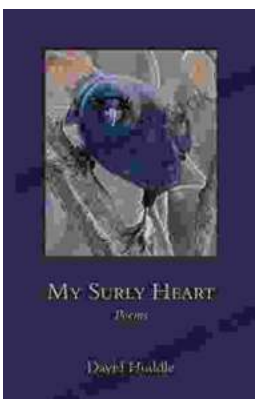
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