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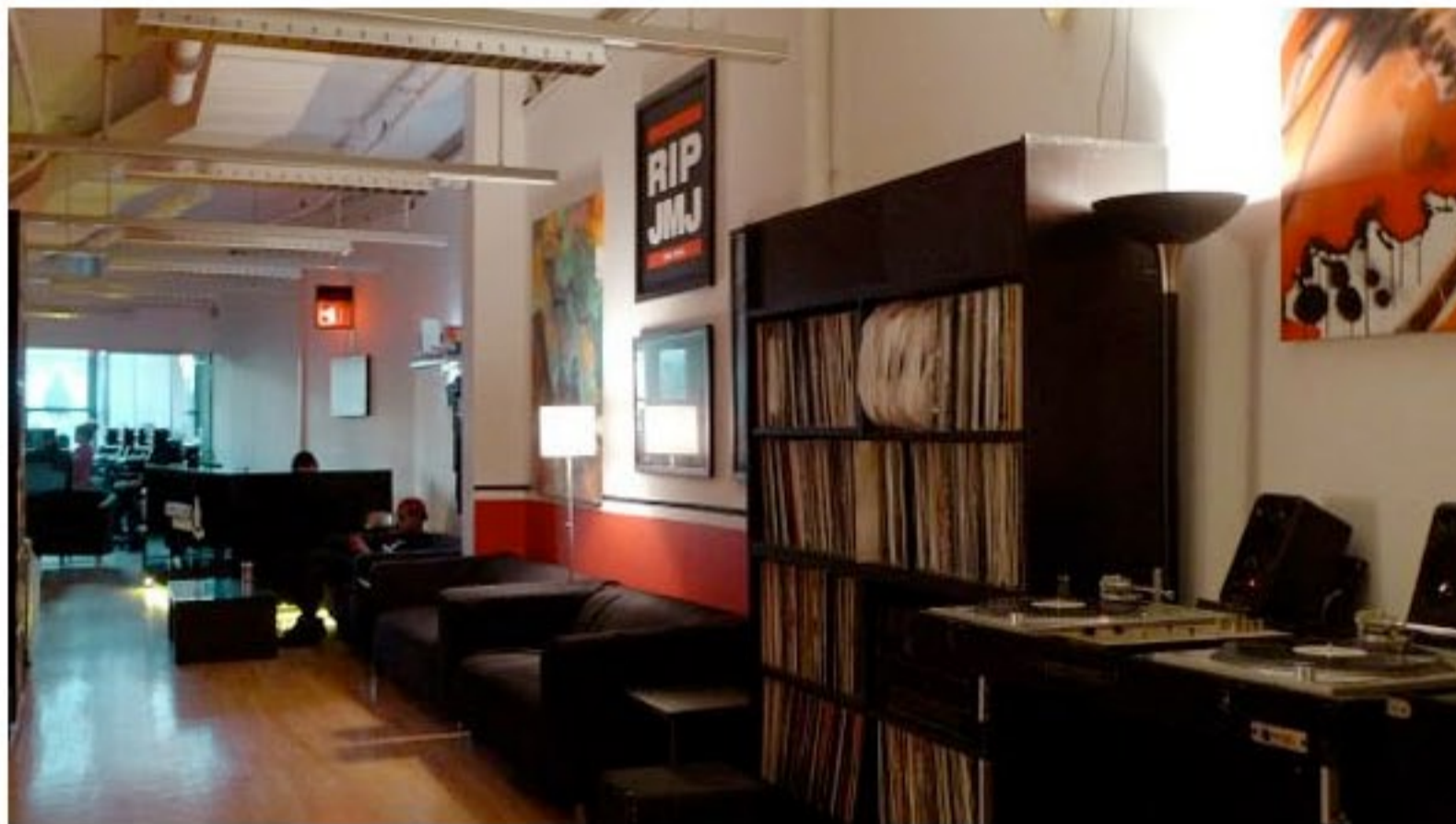
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on the 1's and 2's at the scratch dj academy

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Last night I was a DJ. To be fair, I always FEEL like a DJ, but yesterday was my first time actually kickin' it on the 1's and 2's. I paid a visit to [Scratch DJ Academy](#) in the East Village, where my new friend DJ Craft instructed me on the ins and outs of being a good DJ.

Scratch DJ Academy, co-founded by the late Jam Master Jay, was formed in 2002 with the goal of bridging the gap between the art form of DJing and the masses. It is the world's first DJ and music production school, with academies in New York, Miami, Los Angeles, and on several different cruise lines, and teaches over 100,000 people how to DJ every year.

Craft told me that the first step toward becoming a DJ is creating a good DJ name. Luckily for him, I had a long list of monikers up my sleeve, but to keep things simple, I went with my original nickname (and middle school email address, embarrassingly enough): DJ Andie Fresh. I scratched and danced as I learned what it takes to be one of the best. DJ Craft even said he was very impressed with my skills. (Thanks, boo.)

You should totally check this place out: they have all kinds of courses available in DJing, beatmaking and mixing. I'm definitely going back to up my DJ game. Which is a good thing, since I still use that DJ Andie Fresh email address.

To check out an open house or schedule a lesson, send an email to info@scratch.com or give them a call at 212-529-1599 (New York), 888-725-5557 (Los Angeles), or 305-576-3868 (Miami).

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