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## What Music Are You Listening To? Part XI

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□by Anollasia » Sat Apr 25, 2015 6:50 pm

America - I Need You

From: America (1971) Genre: Pop rock, soft rock

This is beautiful.

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□by **Urban Blight Garden** » Sat Apr 25, 2015 6:50 pm

MC 900 Ft. Jesus - *The City Sleeps* 

"Everyone has a little secret they keep, I light the fires while the city sleeps"

They tried to ban this song in Baltimore from the airwaves.

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## Urban Blight Garden wrote:

MC 900 Ft. Jesus - *The City Sleeps* 

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They try to ban everything.

Green Day - American Idiot

From: American Idiot (2004) Genre: Pop punk, punk rock

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MC 900 Ft Jesus back story

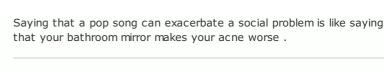
Fire Marshall blames Jesus for arson

In response to a number of fires in Baltimore which have been attributed to arson , a Maryland Fire Marshal spokesperson recently attacked local radio station WHFS for its heavy airplay of MC 900 ft Jesus While the City Sleeps . In the name of social responsibility . WHFS was asked to limit or ban this song . I would thus conclude from this request that , according to the Maryland Fire Marshal , social responsibility is an obligation to avoid social agitation as much as possible , even if this means ignoring and denying very real problems . In other words , dont tell anyone that there s a problem , or else it might start to exist . What is wrong with this picture ? While the City Sleeps , off of MC 900 ft Jesus Welcome to my Dream album , tells the story of a man setting fires against a darkness he feels is suffocating . While some people dream , this character escapes in a more destructive manner , seeking a more explosive vent for his emotions .

The song was also featured in the film Backdraft , a film about an arsonist firefighter . In a press release written in response to the fire marshals charges , Mark Griffin , a . k . a . MC 900 ft Jesus , stated : My intention was to present the listener with a series of vivid images as seen through the eyes of this person . Nothing more , nothing less . Indeed , upon careful examination of the song s lyrics  $\underline{\ }.$  and after a scientific scanning for subliminals , I find no imperatives . Not once does he even say strike a match . At the very worst , MC 900 ft Jesus mentions in the song that the crime is committed by dousing a place with gasoline and then setting a match to it . That much information could be gathered from an elementary school science class about combustibles . With no suggestions or commands , While the City Sleeps is a description of an act of arson, albeit from a hazy \_. somewhat intriguing perspective . If this is enough to inspire criminal imitation , then the predisposition of the listener should be of more concern than the content of tho song . I would

imagine that a person who commits arson is likely to have much deeper motives and more complex problems than could be attributed to a single descriptive song . MC 900 ft Jesus is an illustrator of the problem, not its cause. Granted, I could not even begin to tell you what sort of motives and psychological problems might fester in the mind of an arsonist , but to blame them on MC 900 ft Jesus is to scapegoat and avoid the real roots of the problem . A serious wound cannot be healed by simply wiping away the blood and hiding the soiled rags. It needs attention, which is why it pains you. Where is the irresponsibility in attempting an honest examination of a serious social problem? Would those who criticize MC 900 ft Jesus rather that he sing about cotton candy? Can you imagine what our country would look like if everyone listened to Wilson Phillips? Now , lets talk about musicians having some degree of social responsibility . Listen  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right$ to Release Me , or at least as much of it as you can handle . No w listen to

While the City Sleeps . I tell you , listening to Wilson Phillips clears my complexion and makes me want to fall in love with a piece of calendar art They truly inspire me . I can barely hold myself back from the cosmetic counter at Woodie s . Where would we be without them? Without groups like MC 900 ft Jesus , we might be a lot happier , a lot more unaware . We could listen to songs about happy love and sad love and fast cars , and meanwhile , people could continue to decay all around us , sitting in the shadows where mainstream music dare not tread . Social problems such as arson exist whether or not they are recognized . To accuse artists of promoting these problems through their depiction is to label an all-too-easy scapegoat The blame lies not on those who see the problem , but on the personal and social forces that cause the problem . As MC 900 ft Jesus stated so profoundly in his statement ,



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Stiff Little Fingers - At the Edge

From: Nobody's Heroes (1980)

Genre: Punk rock

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In This Moment - Big Bad Wolf

From: Black Widow (2014)

Genre: Gothic Metal, nu metal, metalcore, industrial metal, dubstep

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Neil Innes - Idiot Song

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A Day to Remember - Have Faith in Me

From: Homesick (2009)

Genre: Post-hardcore, alternative rock

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Stiff Little Fingers - Johnny Was

From: Inflammable Material (1979)

Genre: Punk rock

Cover of the original by Bob Marley. Tbh, I like this version more, but kudos to Marley for writing this.

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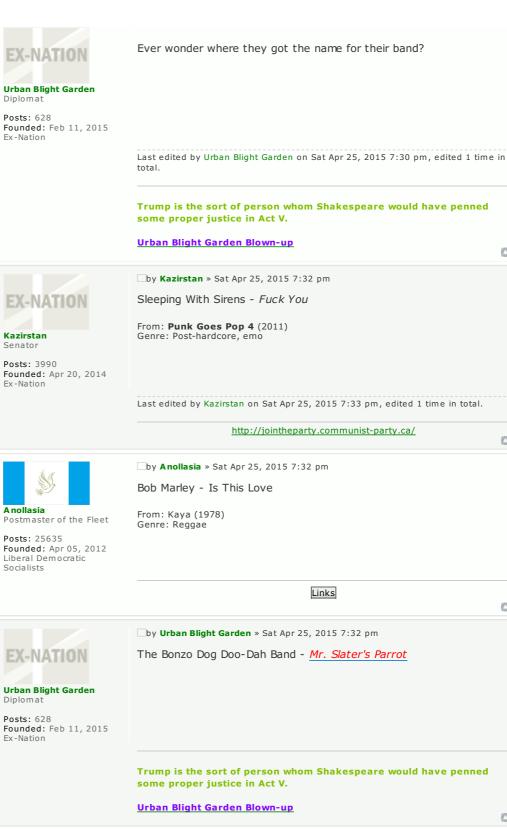
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The Bonzo Dog Doo-Dah Band - Death Cab for Cutie (1967)



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## Kazirstan wrote:

Sleeping With Sirens - Fuck You

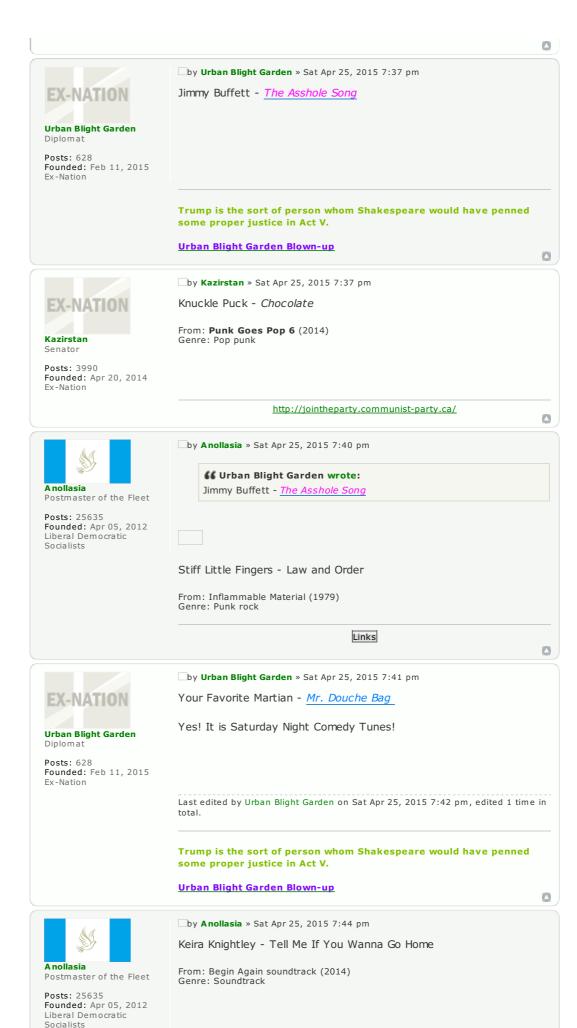
From: **Punk Goes Pop 4** (2011) Genre: Post-hardcore, emo

Bob Marley - Johnny Was

From: Rastaman Vibration (1976)

Genre: Reggae

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The Rutles - With A Girl Like You

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Keira Knightley - Like a Fool

From: Begin Again soundtrack (2014) Genre: Soundtrack





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Dennis Leary - Asshole (Uncensored Version)

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Keira Knightley - A Step You Can't Take Back

From: Begin Again soundtrack (2014)

Genre: Soundtrack

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Robert Klein - I Can't Stop My Leg

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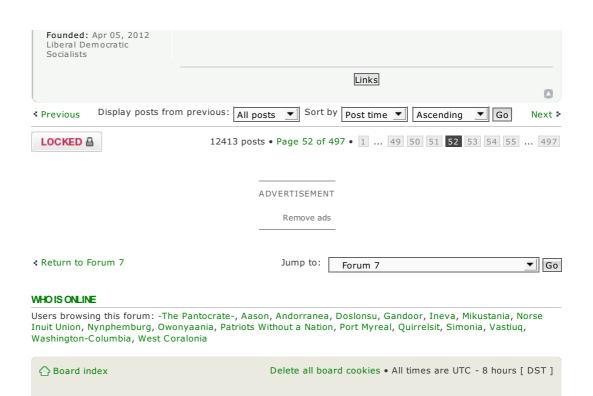
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Keira Knightley - Coming Up Roses

From: Begin Again soundtrack (2014)

Genre: Soundtrack



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