



The Simpsons: Testify

John Ciarcia, the actor/radio personality known for his role as Albie Cianflone on *The Sopranos*, is now helming a theatrical production based on the life and music of legendary American songstress **Kate Smith**. The planned Off Broadway production, titled *Kathryn — The Original American Idol*, will star New York actress/singer **Karen King**, who co-wrote and developed the concept for this project over a two-year period, along with **Jimmy Merrill** and director **Vincent Scarza**.

Previously, King has performed in a series of cabaret acts, some with her close friend and mentor, the late actress **Mabel King**, star of the television sitcom *What's Happening!* The play goes into production later this year. For more information, contact James Sliman, 516-705-5573.

Heavy metal rockers **Avenged Sevenfold** stopped by fuse TV's *The Sauce* to talk about the release of their first DVD, *All Excess*, currently available in stores. Host **Steven** got the lowdown on their latest album, slated for release this October. For more information, contact Amy Lynn at fuse, 212-324-3444.

On Sept. 18, **Eagle Rock Entertainment** will release *Someone Like Me*, an all-new 141-minute documentary detailing the life and career of **Sir Elton John**. The film follows the singer from his days as pudgy self-conscious **Reginald Dwight** of his schoolboy years to Captain Fantastic and beyond, told through interviews with those who know him best. A complex musical portrait. For more information, contact Carol Kaye at Kayos Productions, 212-366-9970.

Pearl Jam has the release of *Imagine in Cornice (Picture in a Frame)*, a live concert film chronicling the band's performances with behind-the-scenes footage from the five Italian concerts that took place as part of the band's 2006 European tour. *Imagine in Cornice* was directed by renowned photographer, filmmaker and longtime friend of the band **Danny Clinch**.

"The band invited me to Italy and gave me the access I needed to show a side seldom seen by their fans. It has become a collaboration, as well — the band even offered me some music that has never been heard," confides Clinch. This is Pearl Jam's first concert film and DVD release since

2003's *Live at the Garden*. *Imagine in Cornice* will be released at retail stores on Sept. 25th. For more information, contact Lellie Capwell at Rhino Entertainment, 818-238-6246.

The Simpsons: Testify is set for release Sept. 18 from Shout! Factory. The music CD spotlights material culled from award-winning composer **Alf Clausen** and features the unmistakable voices of America's most beloved TV family and Springfield's townfolk. The soundtrack kicks off with **Danny Elfman's** main title theme, and continues with a collection of the best songs from the last nine seasons of the longest running prime-time comedy on TV today, including everyone from **Jackson Browne** to "Weird Al" **Yankovic**. For more information, contact Tom Chen or Lauren Gaffney at Shout! Factory, 310-979-5602.

Current TV has just launched *The Daily Fix*, billed as the first music blog for TV. *The Daily Fix* will bring daily, dedicated music news back to television six times a day with worldwide coverage of artists and the music industry.

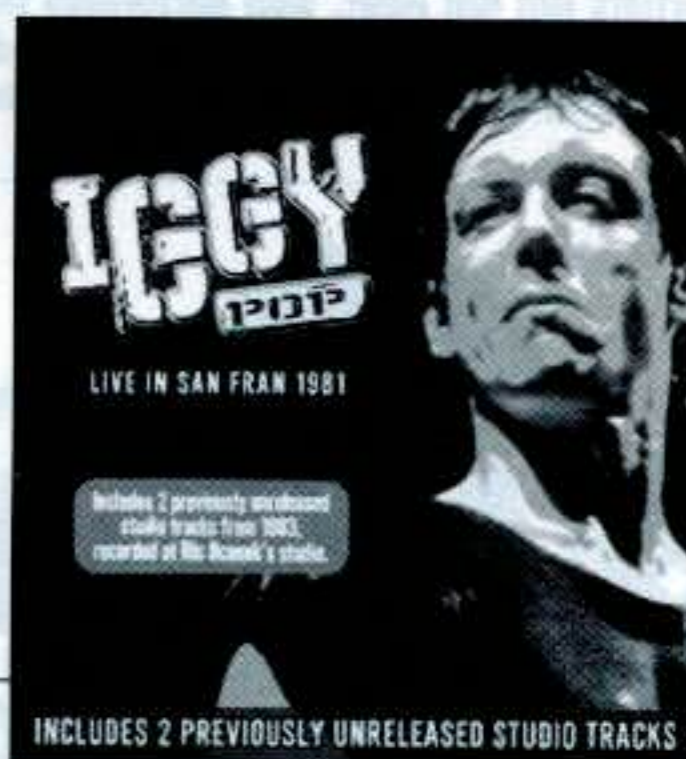
In addition, the program hopes to help break emerging artists by shining a spotlight on formerly underground and unreachable artists. **Dan Deacon, Dizze Rascal, Josh Ritter, Saigon** and **St. Vincent** are among the TV music blog's first picks for feature coverage. To find *The Daily Fix*, visit <http://current.tv/dailyfix>. For more information about Current TV, visit www.current.tv. For further information, contact Linda Carbone at Press Here Publicity, 212-246-2640.

In commemoration of **David Gilmour's** 2006 tour comes *Remember That Night - Live At The Royal Albert Hall*, a double DVD commemorating Gilmour's highly acclaimed SRO tour. Lasting more than five hours, *Remember That*

Night - Live At The Royal Albert Hall includes the artist's rave-reviewed London concert featuring special guest appearances from **David Bowie, Robert Wyatt, David Crosby** and **Graham Nash** — as well as two hours and 40-plus minutes of extras.

The legendary guitarist and voice of **Pink Floyd**, will premiere an 85-minute theatrical version of the film in 111 movie theatres on Sept. 15th. This exclusive, one-time event will also include a one-song live performance by Gilmour prior to the concert and will end with a special question and answer session — both live via satellite from London.

For further information contact Tom Muzquiz to Columbia Records, 310-449-2503 or visit www.davidgilmour.com.



From Music Video Distributors comes *Iggy Pop: Live in San Francisco 1981*, a DVD which includes two bonus tracks from a 1983 studio session with **Ric Ocasek**. Fronting a band featuring **Blondie** drummer **Clem Burke** and future **David Bowie** guitarist **Carlos Alomar**, Pop is as unpredictable and dominant as ever. On this soundboard recording, taped near the end of the tour supporting his 1981 album *Party*, Pop and friends are raw and ready for business.

Music Video Distributors also has the release of *D.O.A. — 1978-1985: Smash the State*. Lovingly compiled by band member **Joe "Shithead" Keithley**, this DVD from Canada's legendary punk pioneers features full live tracks from the band's formative years. The disc is full of raw emotion, activism, humor and deadly renditions of all their greatest songs from the classic lineup of **Joe Shithead, Chuck Biscuits, Randy Rampage** and **Dave Gregg**.

The always influential D.O.A. was the first exposure of many to the blistering social phenomena of punk rock. This DVD documents why D.O.A. influenced artists such as **Green Day, Red Hot Chili Peppers** and **Bad Religion**.

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