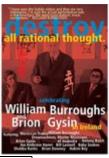


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Destroy All Rational Thought DVD Review Celebrating William Burroughs and Brion Gysin in Ireland

By Yvonne Glasgow

Destroy All Rational Thought is a step into the Beat Generation, containing one of the last interviews given by William Burroughs. This documentary takes you through the art and times of the historical Beat Generation, it tells of the experiments that took place in Tangier, Morocco, where William Burroughs, Brion Gysin and the painter Hamri taught Jack Kerouac, Timothy Leary and Allen Ginsberg how to live outside the law.

Destroy All Rational Thought features interviews and discussion with many people that had a hand in the making of the Beat Generation and documents "The Here To Go Show" (Dublin, 1992) which commemorated William Burroughs and the Tangier Beat scene.

Originally the Beat began in the 1930's and spanned into the 60's. Authors like Jack Kerouac and William Burroughs led the scene. Destroy All Rational Thought is a fitting title to this strange trip into this way of life.

Destroy All Rational Thought stars William S. Burroughs, who was an inspiration to such artists as Kurt Cobain and Gus Van Zant. Burroughs was an author, best known for his novel Naked Lunch (1991).

Burroughs died in August of 1997 of a heart attack.

Destroy All Rational Thought contains lots of live footage, music as well as a Director's interview discussing William Burroughs, Joujouka and Gysin. It also contains a slide show featuring paintings by William Burroughs and Brion Gysin, plus texts by Burroughs, Terry Wilson, Brion Gysin, Ira Cohen, Anne Waldeman, Bill Laswell, Frank Rynne and Joe Ambrose.

Portions of this DVD almost seem ritualistic with its strange and entrancing music. "The Master Musicians of Joujouka collaborating with avant garde Dublin musicians, veterans of the Tangier Beat Scene." Destroy All Rational Thought also contains music from Bill Laswell, The Baby Snakes (which are a great mellow rock band, this video featuring their original line-up) and contributions from many other, including Brian Downey (Thin Lizzy). Destroy All Rational Thought doesn't just show you, but it tells you. Each of the people that you will witness in this film/documentary get a clip throughout the video explaining who they are. As you watch more info will flash from time to time, across the screen, giving you more tidbits, facts and trivia. Sometimes worthless information, the things you will learn from Destroy All Rational Thought will be taking with you even after you are done viewing. You may be "Destroying all rational thought", but this will have you "Thinking"!

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