

The Impaler Speaks

A Secret Policeman's Ball - Teenage Crimewave



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And now for something completely different.... A Secret Policeman's Ball hails from Murfreesboro, Tennessee – that's not far from Nashville, for those of you who are unfamiliar with the area – and easily could be mistaken for a band from outer space... or the future. The band features a female lead vocalist, Nikki Oliff, who also adds a multi-textured layer of keyboards to the proceedings; two male vocalists, guitarist Greg Harp and drummer Jesse Seek; and a non-vocalizing bassist, Mike Leffler. Throughout the ten tracks of their debut full-length, A Secret Policeman's Ball offers up an avant garde guided tour through the history of modern underground music from the 1980s through today, melding dark new wave with noisy post-punk, peppered with flashes of throat-shredding hardcore and chill-inducing black metal. As crazy as it may seem, it works – and quite well. There are moments on 'Teenage Crimewave' when the influence of the primary touchstone for post-something (post-everything?!) bands with shared female/male vocals – um, that'd be Sonic Youth, kids – rears its head, but I think a more apt 'reference if you like' band would be Pretty Girls Make Graves. Even that doesn't explain the sudden bursts of Darkthrone-meets-90s-San-Diego-hardcore fury that roll in from time to time, highlighting the trance-like melodicism like flashes of lighting during an awe-inspiring nocturnal thunderstorm. Ultimately, comparisons do not matter because A Secret Policeman's Ball truly do not sound like anything – or anyone – other than A Secret Policeman's Ball, and they have cooked up a record that I cannot seem to get enough of. What could be better than that? **The Impaler** [@impalerspeaks](#)


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