

Residents – The Bunny Boy CD (Santa Dog Records)

Sometimes you need to step outside of the safe bubble of your musical comfort zone, and venture into different musical environments, and by playing the Residents, that's exactly what I've done. 'The Bunny Boy' is about as far from you're my comfort zone as it's possible to get, but that isn't such a bad thing, as this record is damn cool. Weird, but damn cool. And catchy. The damn tunes are stuck in my head, like an itch I can't scratch, one that just won't go away, they keep repeating themselves, over and over again, and I keep singing along with them, they're more than infectious, they're darn right contagious...Imagine a left filed hybrid of Ministry and Depeche Mode, playing New Wave songs after existing on a diet of the Rezillo's while tripping out on Grade A Acid, and you'll start to get a good idea of what the Residents are all about. Sometimes stranger really is better....

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