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The Best of GG Allin & The Murder Junkies DVD - MVDvisual 2009

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Granny's Green Apples is back, and this time he's throwing a compilation!

Say, that reminds me of a little joke:

Knock knock! Who's there? GG Allin GG Allin who? G-Gallin of gas costs FIVE DOLLARS!? Fuck you, the Economy!

Actually, that's not true anymore. But that joke would have been hilarious and biting about six months ago.

Say, that reminds me of a little game. A little game called "Reality Vs. Republicans"!

REALITY: When George W. Bush became president, the U.S. public debt was \$144.5 billion. When he left office, it was over \$1 trillion. REPUBLICANS: "Obama's stimulus plan is going to put the U.S. into debt!"

REALITY: The past 7 years have been the most violent period in terrorism history. There have been 17,300 terrorist events, over 29,000 dead and over 53,000 injured in terrorist attacks since 9/11. One of Obama's first moves as President was to go onto Arab TV and inform the Muslims that the American people are not their enemies and that he wants to repair the ties that were destroyed by the Bush administration.

REPUBLICANS: "Great - now we have to worry about terrorism again! And have you seen all these violent Mexican gangs that are coming into the country? So long, United States! All because Obama is light on crime!"

REALITY: The current unemployment rate is 7.6%, and is expected to rise to 9.0% in the coming months.

REPUBLICANS: "Obama doesn't dress presidential enough!"

Yes, Republicans. If there's one thing they are, it's a bunch of assholes.

But you know who was never called an asshole? GG Allin. This heartwarming compilation disc features highlight after highlight of Mr. Allin singing folk songs for sick children in the hospital, helping out at the local soup kitchen, and educating Washington influencers on the important issue of third world debt relief.

Whoops! That was a strange typo. I of course meant "shitting and punching people."

This is a bizarre idea for a CD, and I'm not sure that hardcore GG Allin fans will take to it as much as curious thrillseekers should. You see, rather than presenting a bunch of GG Allin performances from various shows, the disc features live audio recordings of twelve Allin songs, set to hilarious quick-cut video compilations demonstrating his on-stage insanity and lack of manners. In other words, you're essentially watching twelve GG Allin music videos here, with each video comprised of footage from several different live shows. On the down side, it means the DVD is basically artificial. But on the up side, you are NEVER going to see this much real-life violence and human waste on any other 60minute DVD!

Anything you would want to see in a GG Allin live show is included here, often multiple times. This includes:

(a) GG ramming things up his butt

- (b) GG punching his fans in the face, sometimes with the microphone in his hand
- (c) GG hurling the mic stand or a chair into the crowd
- (d) GG pooping and peeing onstage, then rolling around in it
- (e) GG threatening the audience between songs
- (f) GG naked, with a tiny penis
- (g) GG grabbing girls by their hair and pulling them around against their will
- (h) GG either performing fellatio on his brother or pretending to
- (i) GG smashing the mic into his forehead scabs so he can bleed all over the place
- (j) some songs

I do recognize some of this footage from the GG Allin DVDs I've already seen, but if you're looking for a one-stop shop for all your GG Allin needs, this is the disc you want. Even when the quick cuts and nonstop antics start to become numbing, he'll inevitably do something so violent and unnecessary that it pulls you right back in. Plus he just has some great mean songs -- "Bite It You Scum," "Cunt Sucking Cannibal," "Look Into My Eyes & Hate Me" and so forth. Personally, I think there's an inordinate amount of happy Ramonesy punk songs on here ("Hangin' Out With Jim," "Expose Yourself To Kids," "Outlaw Scumfuc") but it's hard to complain when GG's up there trying to set fire to an American flag resting one inch from his genitals.

And let me tell you what else. The DVD contains a brand new exclusive interview with GG's Mom, recorded August 2008! Unlike the earlier GG's Mom interview (from the **Raw, Brutal, Rough & Bloody** DVD), this one finds her directly discussing GG's act, erratic behavior and infamy. As it turns out, although she completely disapproved of his music and lifestyle, she was (and is) very proud of his creativity and the legacy he left behind. Punk kids still come up to her and say, "Wow! You're GG's Mom!?" and she quite enjoys it. She's also happy that, although they had some troubles in their relationship over the years, they were good friends again before he died. And why? Because he respected her for letting him rot in jail instead of bailing him out! That's the exact point at which he started to behave lovingly toward her again. Furthermore, she

discusses how GG's first marriage fell apart, and is honest about how he was a 'sucky father' and how, as he got more and more involved with drugs, he lost touch with reality and began to behave schizophrenically. And a lot more. Basically, I'm trying to say that it's a GREAT INTERVIEW. You should watch it, if you like GG Allin or moms.

And I'll leave you with a hilarious example of GG's oft-undiscussed quick wit:

Audience member: "JESUS SUCKS COCKS!" GG: "You're lucky; he fucked me in the ass!"

- Mark Prindle