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Handsome Dick Manitoba gets a 'head'

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Photo credit: None/ | Handsome Dick Manitoba, King of New York and fearless leader of The Dictators, has been promoted to throbblehead status.



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You have your regular, old bobblehead -- think Derek Jeter or some other sports guy -- and then you have your throbblehead, the bobble's punk-rock cousin.

And Aggronautix, maker of fine throbbleheads, just announced the newest figure to its lineup: Handsome Dick Manitoba, of New York City proto-punk band The Dictators.

Order now (aggronau tix.com, \$20) for February delivery. There will only be 1,000 made. The company's first figure was that of scatological punker G.G. Allin, which was limited to 2,000 units and

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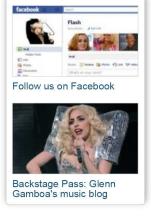
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The 7-inch-tall Handsome Dick figure reproduces the singer's modern look -- worn Dictators leather jacket, the 1,000-yard stare. Your other figurines won't want to mess with him. Manitoba, who was born Richard Blum in the Bronx almost 58 years ago, joined The Dictators in 1975. The group's first album from that year -- "Go Girl Crazy!" -- is legendary.

Just think -- when your Handsome Dick throbblehead arrives, you both can listen to "The Handsome Dick Manitoba Radio Program" in Little Steven Van Zandt's Underground Garage, on Sirius XM Satellite Radio, Ch. 21, from 8 p.m. to midnight during the week.

Or maybe you can bring your throbblehead to Handsome Dick's rock and roll tavern, Manitoba's at 99 Ave. B, in Manhattan. He would love that. -- Kevin Amorim

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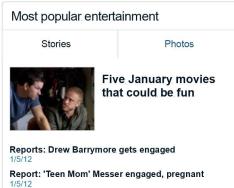
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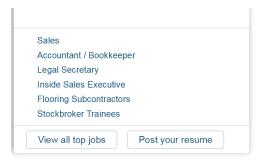
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