

TV PARTY - Premier Episode: December 18, 1978 DVD (Music Video Distributors / Brink)

This is the most rumored about show you've never seen, starring (Andy Warhol's) Interview magazine's Glenn O'Brien, and co-hosted by Blondie guitarist, Chris Stein, all directed by underground film legend Amos Poe. It's fifty-eight minutes of "a cocktail party that could become a political party". After introductions of the show and its philosophy, we have NY musician Gregory Fleeman of GF and the Fleeman Women. Next Glenn interviews one of the first Pop artists (and head of the First National Church of the Exquisite Panic) Robert Delford Brown. It's off to a video link of Debbie Harry and Robert Fripp at some warehouse. Singer Fred Schneiderof The B-52s comes on for a bit, until my favorite part - the phone ins. Calls from shut-ins all around Manhattan, including everyone singing "Happy Birthday" to Stevie the loner. Things are wrapped up with an interview with artist and fashion designer Mary Lou Green. There are a few extras of musician John Lurie blowin' the sax, Walter Steding playing "Skylab", kook DW McDermott stuck in 1925, Mick Jones' (of the Clash) appearance as well as Glenn ranting about his art movement, Sub Realism. Other titles are available in the TV Party series, including the Halloween episode where Fab 5 Freddy comes dressed as a dime bag. Now it's time to hunt down episodes of If I Can't Dance You Can Keep Your Revolution. (Sept 05, 2006)