



'GLEN O'BRIEN'S TV PARTY - THE HALLOWEEN SHOW' DVD

Glen O'Brien's TV Party is how I like my television, super fuckin raw, abstract and totally unpredictable. It's got such a wonderful home-made DIY grainy feel to it and this 1979 Halloween show is the height of that eccentricity and impulsiveness. Glen is the party's cross-dressed host who tells us about Halloween and all the Souls who aren't Saints, Christianity and Paganism and most importantly that 'Halloween reminds us that our body is just a costume that we can change'...fucking right on...the costumes are all sick and totally backyard and that's what so fucking fun about them- free and imaginative and amusing. Fab Five Freddy has the best costume hands down with is nickel bag outfit and talking about getting high and paralysed on angel dust...the whole thing is so super improvised and that rules! He talks about getting drugs in your treat sack...Chris Stein who's in witch get-up talks about Halloween in NYC and Debbie Harry comes as an umbrella...a beach umbrella. It's totally wild and totally impetuous and that's why it works so well...it's literally a filmed party. It all gets super fucked up when they start taking telephone calls from the public...it's just totally off the wall and real fun, there's no structure to the whole thing and that pure chaos is what makes is so great. There's a bunch of bonus live music stuff on here too including Blondie with 'The Tide Is High', the weird and amazing Klaus Nomi, Compton Maddux with the hilarious 'Ca Ca Disco' and more too. This is exemplary New York lunacy and full of that magic of the time that you just don't get anymore...so thank God someone archived this shit!!!

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