



ABBA - ABBA FOREVER: THE WINNER TAKES IT ALL (DVD) / Pop Twist

ABBA Forever: The Winner Takes It All is the multi-Gold Award-winning, definitive up-to-date telling of the Abba story with all four members of the band in interviews and special sequences filmed with them, rare archive, and a feast of Abba songs. It starts with their pre-Abba careers, then the inside story of how they conquered Eurovision (first in Swedish, then in English), and then how they've continued to conquer the world several times over. See them in performance and going into the sound studio to discover how the Abba sound was created. Explore *Mamma Mia!*, the stage hit, onstage and backstage, with Benny Andersson, Björn Ulvæus, Agnetha Fältskog, Anni-Frid Lyngstad. Other guests include Bono (in interview and with U2 playing "Dancing Queen" onstage with Benny and Björn), Donny Osmond, Barbara Dickson, and Neil Sedaka. Abba and the guests illuminate how the songs came about, how they evolved, and what makes them so incredibly good. Songs include: "Mamma Mia!," "Dancing Queen," "Super Trouper," "Waterloo," "S.O.S.," "Fernando," "Ring Ring," "Gimme! Gimme! Gimme! (A Man After Midnight)," "Does Your Mother Know," "Knowing Me, Knowing You," "The Winner Takes It All," "Thank You For The Music," "The Day Before You Came," "I Know Him So Well (from 'Chess')," and "Money, Money, Money."

SURGE (Blu-ray) / Filmrise

Joseph is trapped in a soulless job, working in security at a London airport. His life proceeds in an orderly fashion, but in spite of his contact with other people during the course of his job, he seems isolated from his surrounding. The anxiety felt by some passengers when they are patted down before check-in, and the impersonal atmosphere amongst his colleagues both affect him. After a visit to his parents, something snaps inside this loner and another Joseph comes to light: one who takes what he wants, invades others' personal space, and does not even shy away from criminal acts. Between eruption, escalation and destruction, he undergoes a painful process of self-discovery, the starting point of which is closer than we would like to admit to the actual living and working conditions of many people. Ultimately experiencing what it feels like to be alive.

BLUES (Blu-ray) / Film Movement Classics

In 1990, commissioned by Dave Stewart of Eurhythmics, veteran music film director Robert Mugge and renowned music scholar Robert Palmer ventured deep into the heart of the North Mississippi Hill Country and Mississippi Delta to seek out the best rural blues acts currently working. Starting on Beale Street in Memphis, they headed south to the juke joints, lounges, front porches, and parlors of Holly Springs, Greenville, Clarksdale,

Benton, and Lexington. Along the way, they visited celebrated landmarks and documented talented artists cut off from the mainstream of the recording industry. The resulting film *Deep Blues*, expresses reverence for the rich musical history of the region, spotlighting local performers, soon to be world-renowned, thanks in large part to the film, and demonstrating how the blues continues to thrive in new generations of gifted musician. A landmark blues documentary, featuring performances by Booker T., Laury, R.L., Burnside, Jessie Mae Hemphill, Junior Kimbrough, Roosevelt "Booba" Barnes and the Playboys, Big Jack Johnson, Jack Owens with Bud Spires, and Lonnie Pitchford.

THE DOGS OF WAR (Blu-ray) / Film Movement Classics

Christopher Walken is a brutal mercenary who must fight the ultimate battle — against his own conscience — in this powerful action thriller. *The Dogs of War* is a spectacular adventure that brilliantly captures the glory — and horror — of war. Jamie Shannon (Walker) is a cynical warrior-for-hire who feels truly alive only in the heat of battle, and now he's about to take on the most challenging assignment of his career: to invade a corrupt African dictatorship and shift control to the "puppet" of a powerful British corporation. To prepare, Shannon masterfully trains and equips a squad of deadly mercenaries with the latest and most destructive tactics and military hardware. But as their explosive assault beings, Shannon finds him embroiled in an internal conflict of his own. The question is: will this be his greatest triumph, or has he sold his soul along with his battle expertise?

GIALLO ESSENTIALS (Yellow Edition)

(3-Blu-ray) / Arrow Video
Arrow Video continues its exploration of Italian cult cinema with this volume of *Giallo Essentials*, bringing together three more suspense-filled exemplars of the genre! In Massimo Dallamano's *What Have They Done to Your Daughters?* (1974), hot-headed Inspector Silvestri (Claudio Cassinelli), and rookie Assistant District Attorney Vittoria Stori (Giovanna Ralli), investigate the apparent suicide of a teenage girl, leading them to a sordid prostitution ring whose abusers occupy the highest echelons of Italian society. Sergio Martino's *Torso* (1973) helped lay the groundwork for the American Slasher Movie: when a ruthless killer begins to target the female university students of Perugia, Jane (Suzy Kendall) and her friends flee for the peace of the countryside, only to discover that the threat isn't far behind. Andrea Bianchi's *Strip Nude for Your Killer* (1975) delivers depravity in droves as ambitious photographer Magda (Edwige Fenech) and her on-off boyfriend, love rat Carlo (Nino Castelnuovo), team up to solve the spate of highly sexualized murders that are rocking a prestigious Milanese fashion house.

The time has come, the walrus said,

TO TALK OF MANY THINGS of shoes and ships and sealing wax of cabbages and kings

by Sal Giarratani

KUHNER OUT WITH COVID, WRKO RATINGS NOSE DIVE

On Monday morning (December 20th), while driving to work, I put on WRKO to listen to Jeff Kuhner on his weekday morning radio show to find Sandy Shack filling in for him. I knew something must be wrong here. Eventually Kuhnerner contracted the virus and is trying to get better. After Sandy filled in for him that week, the following week, WRKO went with an out of station fill-in host whose name I can't even remember.

I haven't been listening to WRKO in the morning since. Jeff Kuhner is the morning ratings guy and without him, many listeners have just turned off the station and are waiting for the "Boston Bulldozer" to return. This past Monday, January 3rd, the Kuhnerner is apparently still on sick leave with an out of town radio host in his morning time slot.

I hope for Jeff's full recovery and await his return to the airwaves, but I always disagreed with his anti-vaxxing stance. I have been vaxxed, and yes, I got the virus over Thanksgiving, but my symptoms were mild and lasted about four days thanks to having been vaxxed. I urge Kuhner Country to get vaxxed, but I still don't believe in mandatory vaccination measures. We live in a free society, but if, I were you, I would get vaxxed. However, the choice should be yours to make.

JIMMY JAY CHAT'S WITH MARSHALL THOMPSON

I usually have Jimmy Jay on my radio dial Sunday afternoons on WMEX because you never know who Jimmy might dial up on the phone. This past Sunday he called Marshall Thompson, a great singer for The Chi-Lites back in my younger days. He's 79 now. The Chi-Lites are still performing on stage today. One of their biggest hits was "Oh Girl" back in 1972 when I was about to graduate college.

After the phone call ended, of course, Jimmy Jay played "Oh Girl," and "Have You Seen Her." The band was Chicago R&B, never to be confused with Motown or the Philly Sound. Marshall calls Vegas home today. No more Chicago winters for him now.

WHO IS THIS JIM POLITO?

This past Monday, once again Jeff Kuhner was still off the air, so I went up the AM dial and found AM 1200, another iHeart radio station, and started listening to Jim Polito. He's good. He's a local radio host and he's a very common sense conservative. I like him. If you like Kuhner, you will enjoy Polito, too.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY JOHN PAUL JONES

Musician John Paul Jones from Led Zeppelin just turned 76 years old on January 3rd. All these old rockers just keep getting older and older. However, the alternative is always much worse than not getting older!

87 OCTANE GOING FOR \$6.05 IN CALIFORNIA

That's right. I saw the newspaper photo myself! In California at a Chevron gas station, the price was right there in large lettering \$6.05 per gallon. Thank God our gas pump prices haven't risen that much... yet. If we just wait a bit, the price of gas here will only go up. However, around these parts, you can still find okay gas pump prices. Hats off to the "Hatsoff Gas Station" on Washington Street in Jamaica Plain, where this past weekend I filled up there for only \$3.19 per gallon! Good prices are still out there, but you have to search them out.

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE JANUARY 11TH

We have one final election coming up Tuesday, January 11th. It is the special State Senate election to fill the vacant seat of Joe Boncore, who gave up his Senate Seat for the private sector last year. Just one candidate on the ballot, Lydia Edwards is running unopposed in this election. Many say why vote, if there is just one candidate?

I say we should always vote, get used to voting. Every election is important.

There is no such thing as a meaningless election. And remember after this election, we can rest until September for the state primary elections. Rest over these next several months! We deserve it after the endless elections cycle we just completed.

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