

In Her Madgesty's Court

Also, Paper's trail and Punk Rock Karaoke

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Kick Out the Jams

The aggressive expression of (real) punk rock never ceases to be exhilarating, and who doesn't love the trainwreck that is karaoke? Put 'em together and you have a new kind of anarchy that's both fun and ferocious. Punk pioneers **Greg Hetson** (Bad Religion, Circle Jerks), **Eric Melvin** (NOFX), **Derek O'Brien** (Social Distortion, Agent Orange) and **Steve Soto** (Adolescents, 22 Jacks) have done just that with Punk Rock Karaoke, and we recently joined the pandemonium again 12 years after the first incarnation (it started back at **Fred Eric**'s now-defunct **Vida** restaurant on Hillhurst on New Year's Eve '96, and we were there!). The loose concept has evolved into a full-fledged music project, with regular club gigs and the release of the band's first-ever double-disc CD/DVD, which, like the shows, features a slew of luminaries and novices alike pumpin' up the pit. Guests at the group's Roxy show the Sunday before last included Alkaline Trio's **Matt Skiba** and Street Drum Corp's **Bobby Alt**, but the real rollicking was definitely brought by stage-ravaging fans. Hetson tells us PRK will be doing a benefit at the Key Club around Christmas, and with the slammers he's got planned to join, you don't want to miss 'em wreck the halls.