

ESOPUS #15: TELEVISION CD LYRICS AND CREDITS

1. STEPHIN MERRITT “New Theme from *Meerkat Manor*”

(Inspired by *Meerkat Manor*)

Everybody come on safari
to a party in the Kalahari
Meet the fuzzy, laid-back guys,
the cute ones, with the big black eyes

Meerkat! Meerkat Manor,
They don't need no daily planner
Meerkat! Meerkat Manor,
Meerkats know where it's at

Written, performed, and produced by Stephin Merritt
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2. THE THIRD WHEEL BAND “Tell You Twice”

(Inspired by *Cheaters*)

I been sittin' home alone ever Saturday night,
I'm a married woman so that ain't sittin' right.
Where's the man I love?
You ain't but a slimy little worm.
So I'm callin' up that Mr. Joey Greco from the TV show.
Get me some peace of mind,
Get my suspicions confirmed.
You been drinkin' like a fish,
and smokin' like a son of a gun.
Ain't gonna tell you twice once more,
sweet two timin' daddy, I'm done.

You say you're goin' bowlin' but I ain't buyin' that pitch,
You ain't never gone bowlin' before we got hitched.
And they all know your name
at that fleabag motel down the road.
So I'm callin' up that Mr. Joey Greco from the TV show,
I'm pretty sure what's goin' on
but I need to know.
You go out lookin' like a prince,
come home stinkin' like a low down dirty dog, it's true.
Ain't gonna tell you twice once more,
sweet two timin' daddy, I'm through.

Don't know what made you go astray,
but I know that Joey boy is gonna make you pay.

I'm done with all your cheatin—get out of my sight.
I'm done with your mother and I'm done with this fight.
I'm done with all the late night
lies you tell me over the phone.
So I'm callin' up that handsome Joey Greco
from the TV show,
see if I can do a little
cheatin' of my own.
You done me wrong
but I can see that Joey's heart is true.
Ain't gonna tell you twice once more,
Sweet two timin' daddy, I'm through.

Written and produced by Steph Allen, Ryan Langlois, and Greg Barresi
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3. ONE RING ZERO “Busted Plausible, or Confirmed”

(Inspired by *MythBusters*)

Will talking to plants actually help them grow?
Can yodeling really cause an avalanche of snow?

Can jumping into a ceiling fan cause a person to lose his head?

Will a pack of sharks ignore a person who is playing dead?

Everything you ever wondered.
Busted, Plausible, or Confirmed.
Even the things you haven't thought about
Busted, Plausible, or Confirmed.
There will be no doubt.

Is bullet-proof glass really bullet proof?
On a speeding car could a person hang on the roof?
Can a jet engine launch a taxi into the air?
Can a person fly with just weather balloons and a lawn chair?

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Written, recorded, and performed by Joshua Camp and Michael Hearst
Vocals, theremin, guitars, bass: Michael Hearst
Vocals, accordion, keyboard, sequencing: Joshua Camp
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4. RYLAND BOUCHARD “Hope Rides Alone”

(Inspired by *Democracy Now!*)

bright as the day, dark as the night
a cool wind blows over me

dead as what's right, blind as a need
an old man knows what you'll see

now hope rides alone, hope rides alone
while all the men go chasing greed

love with all your soul, love with all your soul
a full heart gives what you need

bright as the day, dark as the night
a cool wind blows over me

Written, performed, and produced by Ryland Bouchard
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5. CLOUD NOTHINGS “I Apologize”

(Inspired by *The Golden Girls*)

i made your food for you
in the first show i wasn't needed
you wouldn't talk to me
i wasn't welcome i could feel it
when the cameras were off
i'd cry alone and no one noticed
the way you looked at me
before we filmed made me so nervous

if you're tired of me then i apologize
you can eat on your own cause i'm leaving

Written, performed, and produced by Dylan Baldi
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6. ANDREW CEDERMARK “Still Life with Sour Mash”

(Inspired by *M*A*S*H*)

“Honey, would you cut the fruit?” My man asked, his

face wet, collar loose. “And I'll make juice.” Bob was out with the first Bob, at a friend's spectacle shop on Austin Street, a regal farce. My man, an old Black Irish girl with thinning hair who hung pictures of all of us, but no clock. Wiping away the dust he'd see that glazed-over look in all of us, like we were being sucked in, like old Bob, just sitting there with sour mash, uncurled and seeing swirls. This is the way it works: getting help comes after getting hell, and only maybe you get well. He was his own surgeon, and Korea or no, he bled only for him. Not like new Bob—who lived through “the shit” too—now watching M*A*S*H and drinking juice.

Written, performed, and recorded by Andrew Cedermark at home in August 2010, with singing by Carianne King
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7. FESTIVAL “Today's Adventure!”

(Inspired by *The Adventures of Pete & Pete*)

I'll leave the light on
Wellsville, away home
Across the state line
I will defeat time
Johnny Unitas
Baltimore's finest
Phone is still ringing
Papercuts stinging

Oh, Goodnight my little viking

Oh, yellow fever
Couldn't believe what
Happened on that bus
Fever consumed us
Nightcrawlers sleepless
Know we can beat this
Wake me when I sag
Then we'll play freeze tag

Oh, Goodnight my little Viking

Song and lyrics by Alexis, Lindsay, and Mike Powell
Vocals, percussion: Alexis Powell
Vocals: Lindsay Powell
Vocals, guitar, and bass: Mike Powell
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8. AUTRE NE VEUT “Live for the Baby”

(Inspired by *Degrassi: The Next Generation*)

Written and produced by Autre Ne Veut
©2010 Autre Ne Veut

9. DAVID THOMAS BROUGHTON “Age of Giving”

(Inspired by *Blackadder*)

Recorded, mixed, and not mastered at home by David Thomas Broughton
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10. LAURIE SCHWARTZ “There Was Also the Fact that He Was Shaped Like the Moon”

(Inspired by *The Jackie Gleason Show*)

Created and produced by Laurie Schwartz
Guest artists: Dan Minahan, Susan Stone, Josh Patner, Richard Einhorn, Edoardo Bellando
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