

1: Empire of the Senseless: A Review of Bill Blum's Freeing The World to Death - LewRockwell

Empire of the Senseless is the 2nd Acker I've read after Blood and Guts in High School, and this comparative heavyweight tome reads like the epic she'd been working up towards. Two terrorists, polysexual Parisian pirate Thivai and anarchist female cyborg Abhor act out a "holocaust of the erotic" on the high seas.

It was at a brewpub, and it was packed. So I shook his hand, and wished him the best of luck. Gov, is also going to be excellent. I agreed, and rather than hit the bourbon, I went to bed too. But I woke up before the alarm, and checking my phone, I found that Milwaukee had coughed up 47, additional ballots which put Tony over the top. Milwaukee hates hates hates Turdwaffle since he was County Exec, and got out of town just before the pitchforks and tar-and-feathers crowd got to him. How much was Tony ahead? Randy will be back. Also, disappointing that Beto did not take down that simpering asshole Cruz. If foot-in-mouth Biden can be a VP, Beto who drops an f-bomb is certainly qualified. But the real deal is that the Democrats made a historic wave, against all the structural advantages the Republicans and the small-population states have, and against all the ridiculous gerrymandering that has been going on for decades. Democrats have to outperform Shitheads by at least 7 points to just break even. More than the supposed Tea Party wave, but we expect the calls for civility and reaching across the aisle to start before this weekend. Nancy, use that hammer! Maxine, start beating on banks. In any case, Trump now has to face a check on what he thinks is unrestrained power, and he will not react well; he already is melting down and taking too many of his medications. I would not be surprised if seeing Jim Acosta on his blessed Glass Teat inspires a full-fledged stroke or heart attack. For two years, us liberals have been reeling and feeling like we have lost everything we have worked for, and suffering from more than a little depression and PTSD. We lost a lot over many years. And we can survive, and we can be better; remember when there were no such things as same-sex marriages? And there are people you know, right now, who can remember when women could not access safe abortions. The Shitweasels never stop trying to spread their hatred and authoritarianism.

2: Empire of the Senseless | Tumblr

Kathy Acker has more vision than talent. If you read "Empire of the Senseless," you're subjected to a seemingly endless series of images that range from the squalid to the nightmarish, composed with all the skill of a schizophrenic dictating her scattershot memoirs.

The black planes will take off into the night air and the night winds, sliding past and behind each other, zooming, turning and turning in the redness of the winds, living, never to return. And an elegy it is – a dark, grotesquely candid, screaming requiem to the romanticism of the patriarchy. In the world Acker fashions, a decaying earth is populated by anesthetized part-human, part-robots. Their brutal apathy, a product of the naked cruelty of civilization, becomes a type of freedom. It is here they find autonomy. Friedman Benda is pleased to announce Empire of the Senseless, opening February 26 and on view through March 28, What happens when different, conflicting symbols are combined? Where does the self exist in an era of the masses? She mutes powerful symbols by employing the language of machinery: The tension of the work, both humorous and beautiful, turns chaos into order. Her painting is lush and full of rich coloration, producing an almost stained glass quality. Immersed in these colors is an identifiable yet abstract existence. Like Acker, Frank examines power, narrative, and the perversity of the imagination. The things around her shift – clothing, scenery, time – however, her identity remains central. Ericson uses thick strokes and soft, glowing colors to create a quiet, dreamlike world. With our eyes following her through her private space, the viewer becomes the voyeur. Bluntly sparse with impartially luminous colors, all areas of a piece are given the same systematic treatment. A world of technology, science, and people blend together as one. Fantastical tableaux, each piece features female figures in various pursuits: Typically similar in likenesses, the women become a kind of ever-shifting identity. Providing an old-fashioned feel to contemporary imagery, Loy utilizes casein, a brittle and antiquated paint material made from milk protein, to achieve a stiff and traditional composition. The work of Francesca DiMattio b. She weaves together contrasting surfaces and conflicting histories by deriving textures, patterns, and shapes from domestic objects. Traditionally feminine images are subverted and transformed through excess and rough application.

3: Kathy Acker - Wikipedia

"Empire of the Senseless is a family romance turned inside out, a twisted re-creation of quest sagas and Bildungsroman and TV sitcoms." • Philadelphia Enquirer *"An apocalyptic tale that makes A Clockwork Orange look tame."*

Kathy Acker is a muckraker in the original sense, one who dredges up the dirt and puts it on display to the delight and horror of the reading public. How should we navigate the nowhere of the present, and where else is there to go? She felt little need to further explain why, how, or in what way society was rotten, and gravitated instead toward the utopian, in the older archaic sense of the term: Father rape metonymically stands for the whole of the capitalistic world order, a structure that collapses over the course of the novel but fails to wholly disappear. But the revolution is patchy, its arc fractured: Instead of seeing ends, we see horizons, swaths of world that shade off into the distance and finish somewhere out of view. Acker uses the scaffolding of the science-fiction novel in the same way a looter might use a rock to bash in the window of a supermarket—a convenient tool to access someplace interesting. Although it draws inspiration from the work of genre-establishing friends like William Gibson, *Empire* eschews conventions of science-fiction world building in favor of a visceral sense of immediacy. Black spots on the nails, finger and toe, shaded into gold. Eight derms, each a different colour size and form, ran in a neat line down her right wrist and down the vein of the right upper thigh. A transdermal unit, separated from her body, connected to the input trodes under the cast by means of thin red leads. Because the more futuristic elements of the narrative estrange and displace rather than unfurl a whole and coherent picture, the world Abhor and Thivai inhabit is oddly constituted—it shimmers like a hologram, a hallucination. When viewed from one angle, it remains a recognizable collage of miseries and drab pleasures, a mirror of our own times. But viewed from another, it possesses an alien sheen, the sense of a nonpatriarchal, nonphallic newness. The gap between these two visions invites the reader to plug in and complete the picture, to suture together the feelings that thrust the story forward. The myth of succession breaks down in *Empire*, ends and beginnings commingle and ultimately bleed into one another. Apocalypse is a leaky, incomplete thing. A book that refuses to imagine either the indefinite prolongation of our world or its definitive replacement by another, a book that rejects easy endings and false beginnings, a book that equally ignores formulas of plot and formulaic thought. Literary texts participate in real-world consequences. Published by arrangement with Grove Atlantic.

4: Empire of the Senseless - Exhibitions - Friedman Benda

About The Book. Set in the near future, in a Paris devastated by revolution and disease, Empire of the Senseless is narrated by two terrorists and occasional lovers, Thivai, a pirate, and Abhor, part robot, part human.

Don't blame Bill Blum, one of the great American historians of the post WWII period, surely one of the boldest and most interesting, has his work cut out for him. Never have so many been made so miserable so often by so few. Rather, it is his method to record and comment upon events that are exposed to all, accessible to all, even read by quite a few, but seldom really seen for what it is and, on such rare occasions, never believed. To believe the truth about U. Does that excuse us from not knowing? Well, if Uncle Sam did it, it must have been the right thing. Even Madeleine Albright, who not only had a job, but who rose to the position of Secretary of State, said all the living people who became dead ones during the sanctions were "worth it. What Bloom argues is not so much the hypocrisy of the American government, but the gullibility or "willful ignorance" of the American people. Blum takes his citations from some of the most popular news sources of our time. The facts are there for everyone to see. But what if the corruption of American journalism, the reconstruction of the "fourth Estate" into an out-house, is so pervasive that there will be nothing left but lies for future historians to sort through? The many millions who did not have to "bear witness" or even get a job with a big corporate news outlet to experience U. Citizens whose tax dollars foot the bill. Did the people of Nicaragua, having survived a revolution against the U. Did the people of the Sudan want the U. Blum covers these topics and other "diplomatic" sleights-of-hand in *Freeing the World to Death*. Well, not absolutely nothing: We were an empire when Kennedy invaded Cuba as surely as we were an empire when both Johnson and Nixon showered South East Asia with ordnance. Reagan and Bush armed, trained, and supported a fanatic fundamentalist named Osama Bin Laden whose family goes back a long way with the Bushes and his fellow Mujhadeen. Or they might include all the facts, leading to an obvious interpretation, but leave out suggesting an alternative interpretation of the same facts which stands the first interpretation on its head. But the information they do report is often quite usable for my purposes. *The War Against Communism* or selective memories of it: *Freeing the World to Death* is an invaluable contribution to understanding or attempting to understand why contemporary Americans behave the way they do. Kerry, it should be noted, debated Bush not on whether the U. Military should be in Iraq, but how it can be used most effectively while in Iraq. What can we do to help?

5: Empire of the Senseless - Wikipedia

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Having attained a reputation as the most exciting live bands around – not to mention most prolific and hardworking – their shows became events and word of mouth spread like wildfire. Culminating in them eventually being picked up by a major Sony in This will be first time all four members of the Senseless Things have shared a stage together in 22 years. For a start, all four of us were available at the same time. It was never meant to be a Senseless Things concert or reunion or anything like that. Mark was going to do a couple of songs. Then he asked me and Ben was around at the time. The last time they played was in at the Marquee and Senseless Things supported them. So I bought a couple of tickets and tracked him down. It was at the Dublin Castle. After that, Mark and me were playing together quite a lot and I ended up joining the band. We played together in Urge Overkill, then Gorillaz. Myself and Mark had always kept in touch until shortly after the Wiz tribute, So we all started talking but all of us had different schedules hence the 22 year gap. So when the opportunity came up where we could all get together and play those songs again, we all thought why not? How we left it was quite open anyway. We never announced any dramatic falling out. We were just playing in our own projects and when this came back together it was the same kind of thing. Was it difficult to persuade anyone to do the show? Was everyone on board with the reunion from the start? We always wanted to do a retrospective record that we were proud of. Our last label did a particularly bad one. Now that me and Cass are playing together in Deadcuts it made things a bit easier. I know Morgan would really like to have been there that night for Wiz. We just happened to release a bunch of records in the same year as they did. Then I saw Senseless Things were on a rock compilation with bands like Winger and Ratt and lots of hair metal bands! It was basically just the singles and a few other tracks that had no relevance or chronological understanding. We had no input on the artwork which was always a big part of what we were. I was really disappointed no one had spoken to us. B-sides I thought should have been on there and tracks that were recorded but never released at the time. I really like the venue. We never played there back in the day. It all came back without any real pre-empting from anyone else. We could have asked bands that we played with back in the day but neither of us thought that would be relevant. Both those suggestions came from Mark. Will there be a tour and festival dates? We really want this gig to be special. There may very well be a show before the 25th March. It will be nice to do this. It will be fun. The warm-up will be a northern date. Any clues as to where it might be? We had so much support in Scotland and the north of England. If it goes to plan the show will be on Sunday 19th March. Have you been writing new material? I wrote a couple of new tracks that I thought were more in the vein of Senseless Things. With regards to the retrospective I was talking about earlier, rather than get into negotiations with Sony it will be much easier for us to just go into a studio and re-record the songs. As for the setlist for the shows, will they be career spanning or will it focus on one particular era? I suggested to the band we should just do a complete Sony Records set but I was shot down in flames! I agree that some of the later stuff we recorded for Sony is great too. Were you flattered when you heard their version? Looking back through the Senseless Things back catalogue, which of your records are you most proud of? Those two records have stood the test of time for me. A lot of our singles still sound quite fresh. I was never a big fan of our first album. It was a very different time back then and we were into different things. Senseless Things achieved a lot of their success via word of mouth by playing hundreds of shows up and down the UK and releasing a succession of DIY singles and EPs before being picked up by a major. With Senseless Things there was never any kind of reason or route to market. We played a lot of gigs because all the bands we grew up on played a lot of gigs. I think it would probably be easier now. Because of the Internet and being able to send digital music files its changed the way people work. When Senseless Things were active first time round there were no mobile phones. When we first started I remember writing a lot of letters to venues and promoters trying to get gigs. Then running down the road for an Electroset and making up posters, fliers and press releases. We opened a PO Box at our local sorting office as we used to receive over a

hundred letters per week. I have people in bands now say to me how did you used to get people to your concerts back then? Or go out at night with a bucket of flour and water and a broom and put up our own handmade, photocopied posters to announce the gig. And we used to write to NME and put our shows in their Giglist section. Our attitude at the time was this is where we feel comfortable. This is where we want to play. This is where our music is alive. What was your proudest achievement with the Senseless Things? The moment we got invited to do our very first John Peel session has to be up there. I always thought that was the point where we became a real band. We were on the radar after that. Even today it has to rank as one of the biggest thrills if not greatest achievements of my life. Just to see our name on the cover of the old John Peel sessions vinyls. When we went over to Japan aged just 18 was an amazing experience. We were very young, and me and Mark both came from odd backgrounds. I moved away from home when I was At the same time I was moving out Mark was moving into my home. So we had this thing. We had this band that made music and kept us happy, kept us moving creatively. Funnily enough, after a year break of playing with Mark, when we finally started playing together again with Deadcuts we found ourselves back on the same page. We were really obsessed with Sonic Youth at the time and we wanted that to sound like a cross between them and the Sex Pistols. Who was that song originally written about? It was unheard of at the time for a band on a major label and I think we might have paid a stiff price for that. It was written about when we were in America, and Mark was having a drink with a fan in a bar. We were desperate to get out of our contract, so Rob Stringer, the managing director of Sony called me into a meeting. That song really was a thorn in their side. He signed the Manic Street Preachers and I know they were pissed off that we wrote that song and released it. It was Steven Wells who filmed that video. I really like Desperate Journalist. I spend a lot of time making compilations so I hear a lot of new music. That whole psych rock thing. The new PJ Harvey album is amazing. I think St Vincent is incredible. Both me and my daughter love Frank Ocean. I thought the Sky Ferreira album was mindblowing. The hooks on it are great.

6: Empire of the Senseless Lyrics

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This section needs additional citations for verification. Please help improve this article by adding citations to reliable sources. Unsourced material may be challenged and removed. Her relationship with her domineering mother even into adulthood was fraught with hostility and anxiety because Acker felt unloved and unwanted. Although her birth name was Karen, she was known as Kathy by her friends and family. Her first work appeared in print as part of the burgeoning New York City literary underground of the mids. Like other young women struggling to be writers and artists, she worked for a few months as a stripper , and listening to the stories of women so different from those she had known before profoundly influenced her early work, and changed her understanding of gender and power relationships. She married composer and experimental musician Peter Gordon shortly before the end of their seven-year relationship. While most of her relationships were with men she was openly bisexual. During the early s she lived in London, where she wrote several of her most critically acclaimed works. After returning to the United States in the late s she worked as an adjunct professor at the San Francisco Art Institute for about six years and as a visiting professor at several universities, including the University of Idaho , the University of California, San Diego , University of California, Santa Barbara , the California Institute of Arts , and Roanoke College. In January she wrote about her loss of faith in conventional medicine in a Guardian article, "The Gift of Disease". She found appealing the claim that instead of being an object of knowledge, as in Western medicine, the patient becomes a seer, a seeker of wisdom, that illness becomes the teacher and the patient the student. However, after pursuing several forms of alternative medicine in England and the United States, Acker died a year and a half later, on November 30, , aged 50, from complications of cancer in a Tijuana, Mexico alternative cancer clinic, the only alternative-treatment facility that accepted her with her advanced stage of cancer. She did not earn a graduate degree. During her time in New York she was employed as a file clerk, secretary, stripper, and porn performer. April Learn how and when to remove this template message Acker was associated with the New York punk movement of the late s and early s. The punk aesthetic influenced her literary style. These books contain features that would eventually be considered postmodernist work. Burroughs and Marguerite Duras. Acker defined her writing as existing post- nouveau roman European tradition. Acker published her first book, Politics, in Although the collection of poems and essays did not garner much critical or public attention, it did establish her reputation within the New York punk scene. Some Lives of Murderesses. Both works are reprinted in Portrait of an Eye. She did not receive critical attention, however, until she published Great Expectations in Most of her work was published by them, including re-issues of important earlier work. As she neared the end of her life, her work was more well received by the conventional press; for example, The Guardian published a number of her essays, interviews and articles, among them was an interview with the Spice Girls. Although known in the literary world for creating a whole new style of feminist prose and for her transgressive fiction , she was also a punk and feminist icon for her devoted portrayals of subcultures , strong-willed women, and violence. Published in , it is one of her most extreme explorations of sexuality and violence. Many critics criticized it for being demeaning toward women, and Germany banned it completely. Acker published Empire of the Senseless in and considered it a turning point in her writing. In , she published Literal Madness: Three Novels, which included three previously published works: Three Novels , also composed of already published works; and My Mother: Her last novel, Pussy, King of the Pirates, was published in In , the Acker Award was launched and named for Kathy Acker. Awarded to living and deceased members of the San Francisco or New York avant-garde art scene, the award is financed by Alan Kaufman and Clayton Patterson.

7: Whatâ€™s the Frequency Kenneth? | Empire Of The Senseless

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- Kathy Acker, *Empire of the Senseless*, Punk icon Kathy Acker begins with an "Elegy for the World of Our Fathers" in her pivotal novel *Empire of the Senseless*. And an elegy it is - a dark, grotesquely candid, screaming requiem to the romanticism of the patriarchy.

8: EMPIRE OF THE SENSELESS Lyrics - MEKONS | www.enganchecubano.com

I went to bed with the Gov race essentially tied, and my wife preceded me with a disgusted "that fucker Cruz won, and it looks like Walker is going to pull his own ass out of the fire again".

9: Empire of the Senseless by Kathy Acker

Empire of the Senseless is an album by English rock band *Senseless Things*. It was released in , and was produced by *Senseless Things* and Ralph Jezzard.

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