

ART BRUT Announce Bang Bang Rock & Roll Album Reissue

- Includes exclusive new foreword from Ezra Furman (read in full) + Secret Track + Previously Unreleased Material

https://soundcloud.com/alcopop/sets/art-brut-bang-bang-rock-roll/s-9GDta

Released 3rd April 2020 via Alcopop! Records x Fierce Panda

Preorder: http://ilovealcopop.co.uk/

Upcoming March 2020 UK Tour Dates w/ The Subways



ART BRUT are delighted to announce that they will be reissuing their seminal 2005 album Bang Bang Rock & Roll on Alcopop! Records x Fierce Panda, released on 3rd April 2020.

To celebrate the album release, the band are popping to Hamburg and Berlin in April 2020 to perform the album in full, but first come their **UK tour dates** with **The Subways**, which begin this week and run throughout **March 2020** (see below for full listings).

Commenting on the news, front man Eddie Argos says: "It feels great to be rereleasing this album on vinyl, and not just because the prices for the original on eBay were getting stupid. Some of these songs were so immediate and spontaneous that they contain thoughts that popped into my head as we recorded them. I'm proud that they have withstood 15 years of scrutiny and we still get to blast them out with complete joy in our hearts. Roll on Berlin and and Hamburg—I can't wait to rock the fuck out. Hooray."

Almost 15 years to the day since it dropped back in 2005, all of the album tracks have been remastered and are sounding even better than before.

The reissue comes with an exclusive new emotional foreword written by Bella Union's **Ezra Furman**, a long-time fan who describes *Bang Bang Rock & Roll* as "an essential punk record" which "saved rock'n'roll from being something that belongs in a museum or a magazine".

Available either on gold or more traditional black vinyl, the special edition gatefold record comes with an unreleased (on vinyl) secret track 'Subliminal Desire for Adventure' and a host of extra unreleased tracks 'Brutlegs and B-Sides' available on the download card.

The inner sleeve has been crafted with a wonderful **selection of photographs and memories** from the recently formed society of '**Art Brut Historians**'—a loose collective of fans and friends who've been there from the start.

A genuinely seminal record, **Pitchfork** included the album in their list of **Top 200 albums of the 2000s**, and fan favourites like 'Modern Art', 'Formed a Band' and 'Emily Kane' have been staples for awkward indie disco dancers to groove to ever since.

The band also recently announced a special **Record Store Day 2020 reissue** of their 2005 hit '**Modern Art**' including a 16 minute, as-live, 'Berlinische' version of the single crammed onto a black and red splatter 7" with **300 individually decorated sleeves** featuring contributions from fans, family, friends, artists and bona fide rock stars.

Big names involved include: **Black Francis**, **John Cooper Clarke**, Dev from **IDLES**, Ian Burden and Jo Callis of **The Human League**, Ben 'Eddison Tollett' Crompton from **Game of Thrones**, **David Devant**, **Tess Parks** and members of **The Manic Street Preachers**, **Bis**, **The Lovely Eggs**, **TIGERCUB**, **Gaffa Tape Sandy**, **Cheerbleederz**, and more.

ART BRUT live w/ The Subways:

- 12.03.20 Newcastle O2 Academy
- 13.03.20 Glasgow Garage
- 14.03.20 Manchester Academy
- 19.03.20 Norwich Waterfront
- 20.03.20 Bristol O2 Academy
- 21.03.20 Portsmouth Pyramids
- 26.03.20 Birmingham O2 Institute
- 27.03.20 Nottingham Rock City
- 28.03.20 London O2 Forum Kentish Town
- 15.04.20 Hamburg Molotow (performing BBR&R in full) *
- 16.04.20 Berlin Lido (performing BBR&R in full) *

Tickets on sale now: https://myticket.co.uk/

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Art Brut online:

https://www.facebook.com/ArtBrutOfficial/ https://twitter.com/art_brut_

Original press for BBR&R:

"It's astounding that AB can reel off so many downright enjoyable songs that it almost hurts" – **Drowned In Sound**

"As clever as it is funny as it is entertaining. It's the most original independent album in years" – Playlouder

"The kind of guitar pop genius that Stiff Records specialized in a quarter century ago" - Pop Matters

"The foreign replacement for the catchy/clever observances Weezer used to traffic" - Pitchfork

"It's been a while since they first formed a band, but they still command attention" - AV Club

"Wittier than any Brit this side of Ricky Gervais" - SPIN

"This is the stuff of one-shot art-punk" - Village Voice

"Every generation needs an Art Brut" - MOJO

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