

THIS WEEK...

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The Dresden Dolls

Yes, Virginia... (Roadrunner)



More twisted burlesque genius

When you're the finest neo-burlesque twosome in the business, and your thrillingly refreshing debut has failed to make the impact it deserved, what do you do next? Curl up your hoopy-stockinged toes

and bed down in obscurity? Not bloody likely. You fight back with a bigger, braver and, er, brillianter album. Meet 'Yes, Virginia...', the bastard lovechild of Tori Amos and an Eastern European touring circus. Armed with nothing but keys, skins and insane genius, white-faced siren Amanda Palmer and virtuoso drummer Brian Viglione have fashioned an album of sensationally off-kilter tracks. From the twisted showtune 'Mandy Goes To Med School' to the chaos of 'Modern Moonlight', it's quite a ride. Burlesque? Can-can you dig it? **Rob Porter**

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