

# **The Music of Frank Zappa**

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**VI. Legacy**

# Zappa's Legacy

- Zappa Family Trust
- Zappa Plays Zappa (Dweezil Zappa, et al)
- Tribute Bands: Project/Object, Banned from Utopia, Bogus Pomp
- Tribute Albums: Ensemble Modern, Ed Palermo Big Band, Ensemble Ambrosius (Baroque ensemble)
- Miscellaneous transcriptions: Woody Herman, Takase/Schlippenbach Piano Duo, Dixie Dregs, Tom Wallace (marching band), etc.
- Productions of *Thing Fish* (London, 2003), *Joe's Garage* (Los Angeles, 2008), and various performances by major symphony orchestras
- Arf Society Zappanale: annual festival in Bad Doberan, Germany
- Websites: St. Alphonso's Pancake Homepage, Information is Not Knowledge, afka.net, Kill Ugly Radio, Arf, Wiki Jawaka
- Public monuments: Vilnius (Lithuania), Bad Doberan (Germany), Baltimore; Frank-Zappa-Straße (Berlin, Germany)
- Scientific tributes

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Zappa Plays Zappa



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Project/Object



Banned from Utopia

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Ed Palermo Big Band

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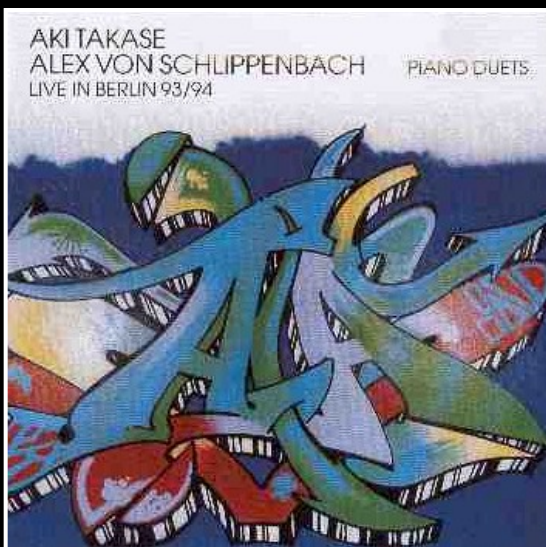


Ensemble Ambrosius

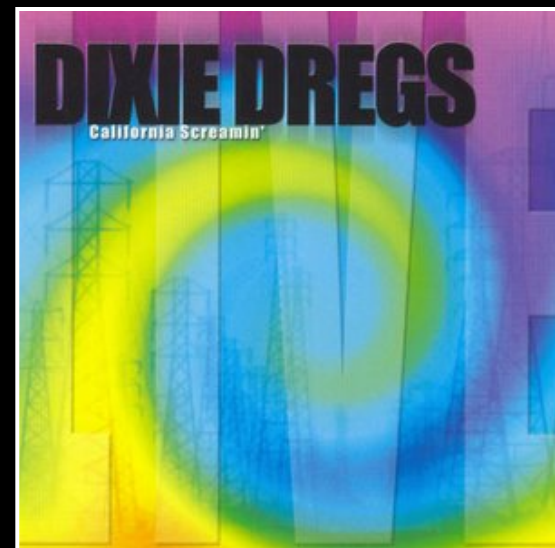
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Woody Herman  
*Thundering Herd*  
(1976)



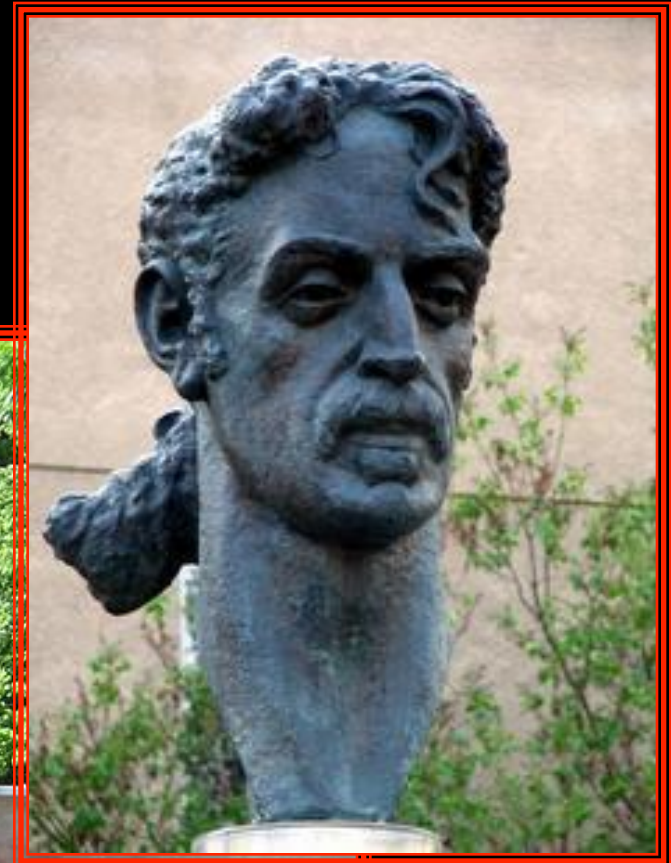
Aki Takase & Alex  
Schlippenbach  
*Piano Duets: Live in  
Berlin, 93-94*



Dixie Dregs  
*California Screamin'*  
(2000)

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Zappa monument in Vilnius, Lithuania (1995)





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Zappa monument in Vilnius, Lithuania (1995)



Reproduction of Lithuanian bust donated to the City of Baltimore (2008)

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Zappa monument in  
Bad Doberan, Germany  
home of the annual Zappanale  
(1989-present)



Frank-Zappa-Straße in  
Berlin, Germany (2007)

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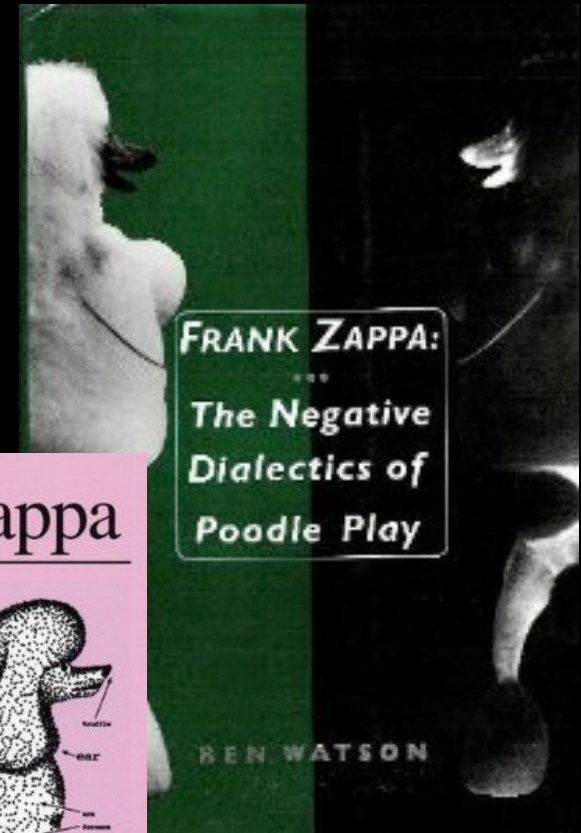
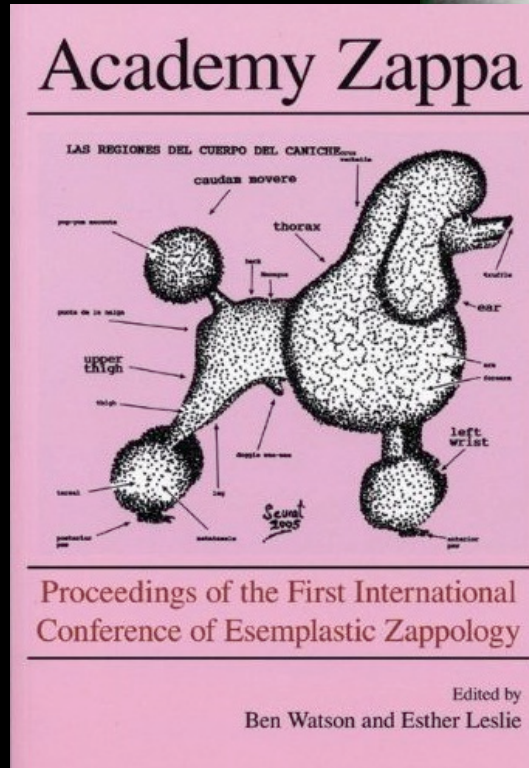


Zappa Café  
(Budapest, Hungary)



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Scholarship: "Zappologist" Ben Watson



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Zappa and Science:



*Amaurotoma zappa*

(Leo P. Plas, Jr., 1967)

*Zappa confluentus*

(Ed Murdy, 1989)



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Zappa and Science:



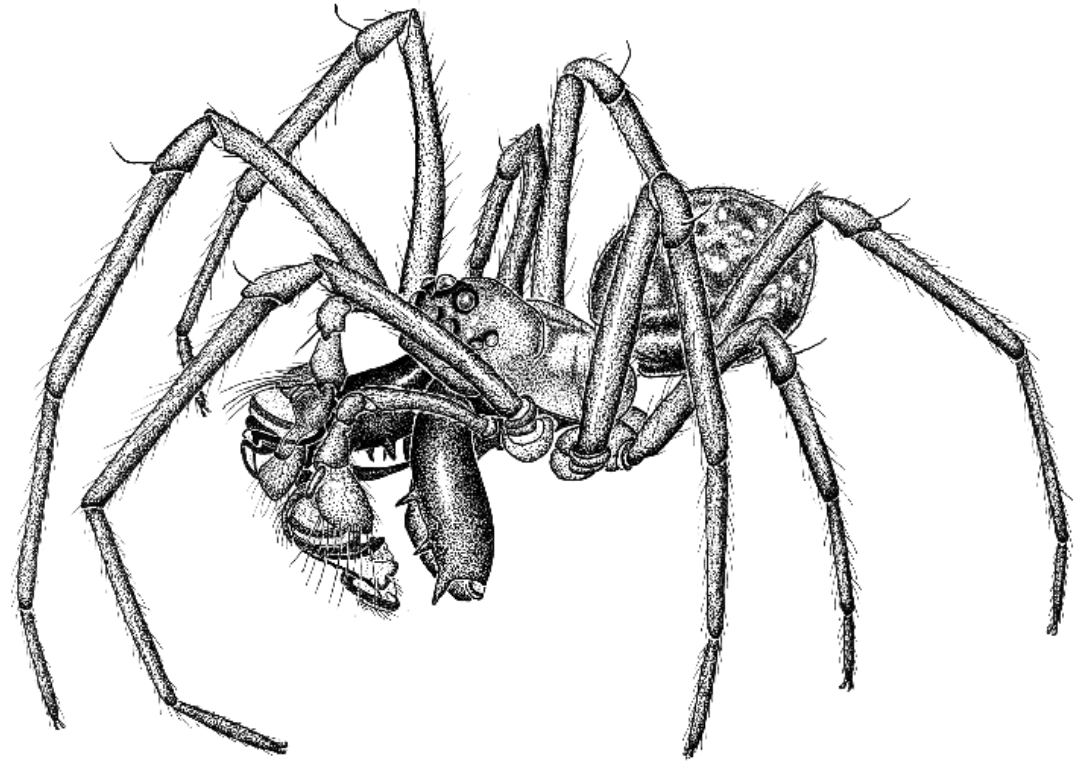
*Phialella zappai*

(Ferdinando Boero, 1987)

“There is nothing I would like more than having a jellyfish with my name.” — FZ

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*Pachygnatha zappa*

(Bosmans & Bosselaers, 1994)

“This species epithet is given in honor of the twentieth century composer Frank Zappa (1941-1993), well known for both his serious and commercial music. The dark grey mark on the ventral side of the abdomen of the female of this species strikingly resembles the artist's legendary moustache” — Robert Bosmans and Jan Bosselaers

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Zappa and Science:

## 3834 Zappafrank

(Ladislav Brožek, 1980;  
named 1994)



John V. Scialli, M.D., (American forensic psychiatrist) headed the successful internet campaign to name the asteroid, which apparently was the first worldwide on-line petition. It involved Zappa fans in 22 countries and produced the most people supporting an asteroid's name, according to the International Astronomical Union.