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SANTA **Teach** me to DANCE









DOGS LOVE CHRISTMAS T00

> & 20 MORE JOYFUL & TRIUMPHANT SEASONAL CHESTNUTS!

1 - MATT PIUCCI - Maybe Next Xmas

The co-founder of the Paisley Underground's Rain Parade put this out last year.

2 - GAME THEORY - Linus and Lucy

How'd I miss this one? From 1986's The Big Shot Chronicles. Happy 100, Mr. Schultz!

3 - BLONDIE & FAB 5 FREDDY - Yuletide Throwdown

This seasonal Rapture re-mix has been in the can since 1981 but was just released in 2021!

- 4 SHINYRIBS Don't Go Chasing Santa Claus 5 Christmas ID If you're wondering what to get me for Christmas, I still really want one of those electric capes like Kev Russell wore on Austin City Limits. From *The Kringle Tingle*, baby!
- 6 KELLY FINNIGAN Santa's Watching You

IMHO, the best all-original Christmas album in recent times is *A Joyful Noise* from the man behind SF's Monophonics.

7 - THE BARR BROTHERS - Dear Mrs. Claus

This soulfully steamy number dates back to just after the Quebec combo's first LP in 2011.

8 - SPARKLEHORSE - Jack's Obsession

I love *The Nightmare Before Christmas* but Danny Elfman has always made me kinda queasy, so it was nice to come across this drastic, fantastic reworking by the late Mark Linkous.

9 - MARK LANEGAN - Burn the Flames

R.I.P., Dark Mark. A Roky Erickson cover from his 2020 Xmas EP.

10 - SOFIA TALVIK - Christmas Train

Sofia releases a free Xmas song every year. This one's from 2019. From Sveden, yah?

11 - JOHNNY DOLLAR - Truck Driver's Lament

From a newly unearthed collection of '60s Christmas country called *Snow Blossoms*.

12 - THE SURFRAJETTES - All I Want For Christmas Is You

The b-side to the new Xmas single by Toronto's premiere surf instrumental combo.

13 - THE PROCLAIMERS - Blue Christmas

BBC radio session from 1990.

14 - TENILLE TOWNES - Christmas Cards

Still my vote for Canada's best mainstream country artist.

15 - THE STAVES - Home Alone, Too

Xmas single from 2018. We saw this UK trio at the Folk Festival back in 2016.

16 - THE ORNAMENTS - Christmas Movie Marathon

The greatest one-song-a-year all-Christmas band in history. If Santa is good to us, we just might get a visit from this Wisconsin/MPLS duo at The StuDome next Christmas. Keep an ear out for their new 2022 release on Bandcamp and on CKUW's TwangTrust!

17 - VISTA BLUE - Why Is The Carpet All Wet, Todd?

This might be the year I finally watch National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation.

18 - CHRIS ISAAK - Dogs Love Christmas Too

Chris loves Christmas so much, he just released his 2nd collection of yule tunes.

- 19 DEBBIE & THE DARNELS Santa, Teach Me to Dance
 - From 1962 on the Veron label. Vista Blue from 2 songs ago do a boffo cover, too.
- 20 HERMEY & THE HUMBUGS Candy Cane Rock

From Surfin' Kitty Xmas 3, the new 3rd volume of surfmas nuggets by Toronto's Mark Malibu & the Wasagas. All proceeds go to a cat sanctuary in Grand Bahamas!

21 - TITUS ANDRONICUS - Drummer Bov

These Jersey boys don't charge \$8,000 for concert tickets.

22 - BILLY F GIBBONS - Jingle Bell Blues

2021 release from ZZ Top's top guy.

- 23 JERRY LEE LEWIS I Can't Have a Merry Christmas Mary
- 24 THE DEL-LORDS Soldier's Home

The setting of this 1986 song, from the great Scott "Top Ten" Kempner, might be a little off in 2022 but the message certainly isn't. Viva Ukraine!

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