



## Jamie T *Sheila* Single

One of the first songs Jamie ever wrote, Sheila might just be a tad too sophisticated for today's pop market. The tragic story of Sheila who goes out with her mate 'Stella' (pun intended) and ends up dead. The real beauty lays not in the Eastenders-eque plotline but in the superb lyrical arrangement. Jamie's cockney rapping is juxtaposed alongside the voice of an upper middle class gentleman reciting more of Jamie's own poetry. Genius.

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## Parka *If Ya Wanna* Single

Last month's F\*@K! cover stars finally get round to releasing a single. No more messing around with limited edition Victorian vinyl anymore, these boys mean business. Fresh from recording a Radio One session, gigging in Paris, recording in Latvia and getting pissed up in Glasgow it's a wonder they've got time to release anything. NME chose the Video for *If Ya Wanna* for their top videos and rightly so as it's a work of art, with its weird leaning studio effort which utilises simple but effective camera tricks as employed by the likes of Jamiroquai. Check it out at [www.myspace.com/parkamusic](http://www.myspace.com/parkamusic) What of the songs I hear you ask? You get three stompers for you money here. The title track *If Ya Wanna* is all out indie pop war which will make Alex Kapranos of Franz question his song writing ability, *Hoxton Hair* is a song that anyone who's ever set foot in the East End of London should own for historical purposes and will listen to fondly when they can no longer squeeze their ancient, bunion riddled feet into a winkle-picker. *Closing Time* uniquely captures the spirit of closing time with 'a drinking up - drinking song'. This is not a single it's a mini album.

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*Dragonette play Nag Nag Nag on Wednesday 9 May*



## Client *Heartland* LP

These sexy girls have got it all; looks, attitude and talent so why they are not as big as Goldfrapp is anyone's guess. HMV's website told me that customers who brought Client also bought OMD and The Human League, which makes perfect sense to me. The new LP is classic Client, full of crisp electro-pop humdingers that immediately wrapped themselves around your brain and stay there for weeks, like chewing gum in you hair.

*Out now*

*Client play Ray of Light charity fundraiser night at Area on Bank Holiday Sunday 6 May*



## Bjork *Volta* LP

At the time of writing I haven't heard anything about this new LP except whispers. The whispers are it's going to be as poppy as *Big Time Sensuality* but with an R'n'B edge. Of course by the time you all read this you'll have the LP and it'll not be poppy or R'n'B at all and I'll look like an ill-informed twit and probably get the boot from F\*@K! mag for good. Well thank you Bjork, thank you very much, who'll feed my cat now?

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