





4 plays translating my visit to the Man Ray/ African mask show March

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Two aliens wait for alternative transportation after their UFO crashes.

Alien: If I can't express myself, then I'd rather just die.

Alien 2: Aliens don't die, they just recharge, stupid.

Alien: What's the point of terrorizing planets if I can't translate the experience through the Blues scale and some red paint?

Witchdoctor appears out of nowhere.

Witchdoctor: Booga-Nooga!

Alien: Augh! (Zaps witchdoctor with ray,

gun.) What is that thing??

Alien 2: Wait! Aw, I think that was our driver.

Alien: Aw, man.

Alien 2: Great. Now we have to walk

through Nigeria.

(Between plays you must bow heads) close eyes and emit high-pitched hum)

Alien: If I can't express myself, I'd

rather just die.

Witchdoctor: We weren't put here on Earth ... (stabs spear into the ground) ... to EXPRESS ourselves.

Alien: But I was put on Mars! Witchdoctor: Is that in Europe? Alien: Did you know there's no photography on Mars? Like, they don't

even recognize that stuff! Witchdoctor: You complain a lot.

(Bow heads, close eyes and emit high-pitched hum)

Alien: I was just, like, sitting there expressing myself on the tuba ... and they banished me!

Witchdoctor: White Earth people love

the tuba!

Alien: Then I love white people! Witchdoctor: They're afraid of aliens, though.

Alien: Why?

Witchdoctor: They all think Jesus is coming back from the clouds, so they probably think of you guys like Gods of sorts. So they're afraid. Alien: Well, I consider myself a Christian.

(Bow heads, close eyes and emit high-pitched hum)

Alien is dressed in Pope-like robes.

Alien: Did you know that clothes make the man? Naked people have little or no influence on society.

Witchdoctor looks down at his loincloth.

Witchdoctor: No influence? Alien: No influence.

(End. Performers bow.)

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