

THE 2012 SHINDIG! WRITERS' POLL

2012 may have been dominated by meteorological disasters, worldwide political incompetence, lowest common denominator mass media junk and general ongoing doom and gloom but you'd never know it to read the pages of *Shindig!* and talk to our readers. It's been a fine year for music, books and movies old and new, and we've celebrated this by inviting the *Shindig!* team to share their highlights of the past 12 months.

★ BEST REISSUE



1. **Small Faces – Deluxe Editions** (Universal/Charly/Nice)
- =2. Cotton Mather – *Kontiki* (Star Apple Kingdom)
- =2. Dragonfly – *Dragonfly* (Guerssen)
- =2. Julie Covington – *The Beautiful Changes* (Cherry Tree)
- =2. Nico – *The End* (Universal)
6. Van Dyke Parks – *Song Cycle* (Bella Union)
7. The Seeds – *The Seeds* (Big Beat)
8. Kaleidoscope – *Tangerine Dream & Faintly Blowing* (Sunbeam)
9. Blue Cheer – *Vincebus Eruptum & Outsideinside* (Sundazed)
10. Leviathan – *Unleashed* (Record Collector)

"It's really good to see The Small Faces still topping the critics' polls. An awful lot of work by a great team went into this series of Deluxe Edition reissues so it's wonderful to get the top spot of Best Reissue from *Shindig!*"

Sue Armstrong, Universal

Bubbling under: The Chocolate Watchband, Paul & Linda McCartney, Vivian Stanshall, The Rolling Stones, New Dawn, Gigymen, Daughters Of Albion, The Cleaners From Venus, Roger James Cooke, Rockin' Horse

★ BEST NEW ALBUM



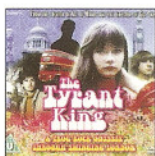
1. **Admiral Sir Cloudesley Shovell – Don't Hear It... Fear It!** (Rise Above)
- =2. Suzi Chunk – *Girl From The Neck Down* (State)
- =2. Tame Impala – *Lonerism* (Modular)
4. The Primitives – *Echoes & Rhymes* (Elefant)
5. Bill Fay – *Life Is People* (Dead Oceans)
6. Buffalo Killers – *Dig Sow Love Grow* (Alive!)
7. Beaulieu Porch – *Beaulieu Porch* (Out Of The Box)
8. The Jim Jones Revue – *The Savage Heart* (Play It Again Sam)
9. Soundtrack Of Our Lives – *Throw It To The Universe* (Parlophone)
10. Eternal Tapestry – *Dawn In Two Dimensions* (Thrill Jockey)

"That's super cool mate! Just say that we, the Shovell, are totally blown away by that, and we'd like to say a massive thanks to *Shindig!* for all your support and for diggin' us from the start. Top fookin notch!"

Johnny Gorilla, ASCS

Bubbling under: Toy, Beth Jeans Houghton, Michael Chapman, The Moons, Shoes, Smoke Fairies, White Fence, Mary Epworth, The Higher State

★ BEST DVD



1. **The Tyrant King** (Network)
2. *Magical Mystery Tour* (EMI)
3. *Sound It Out!: The Very Last Record Shop In Teesside* (Dogwoof)
- =4. *Whistle And I'll Come To You* (BFI)
- =4. *Santa Sangre* (Mr Bongo)

★ SHINDIG! HERO

1. Sixto Rodriguez

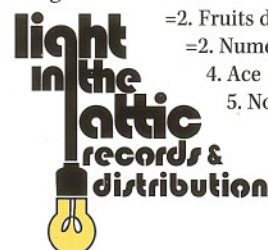
2. Lee Hazlewood
3. Bill Fay
4. Ian Hunter
5. Mick Farren



Bubbling under: Nick Saloman, Julian Cope, Fraser Watson (The Poets), Anton Newcombe (Brian Jonestown Massacre), Ronnie Splinter (The Outsiders), Wilko Johnson

★ BEST RECORD LABEL

1. Light In The Attic



- =2. Fruits de Mer
- =2. Numero Group
4. Ace
5. Now Sounds