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Jack Benny: Drawing A Blanc (Old Time Radio) (Classic Radio Comedy)



Synopsis

A weebegone old car, a harried department store clerk, a monosyllabic man in a sombrero, and a train announcer whose line ran somewhere between Orange County and the Twilight Zone are all memorable characters from The Jack Benny Program, and all the products of a single talented throat: Mel Blanc. The Man of a Thousand Voices was Carmichael the Polar Bear, who lived improbably in Jack's cellar. He was Professor LeBlanc, Jack's violin teacher, whose French accent seemed to mimic every wail of his pupil's tortured strings. He was Polly the Parrot, Jack's impudent bird, who was less interested in crackers than in putting his master in his place. Come hear 8 digitally remastered episodes starring Jack Benny, Mary Livingstone, Phil Harris, Dennis Day, Eddie Rochester Anderson, and Don Wilson, and guess who Mel Blanc will pop up as next! Includes a Program Guide by radio historian Elizabeth McLeod. EPISODES INCLUDE: Leaving For New York City 01-07-45, Jack and Mary Pick Up Bags at the Train Station 03-04-45, First Performance of Professor LeBlanc 04-29-45, Jack Dreams of the Race Horse "Texas Sandman" 10-21-45, Lost Weekend 03-10-46, Jack and Mary Late for Broadcast (a.k.a Jack Fires the Sportsmen) 02-23-47, Jack Tries to Re-Hire the Sportsmen 03-02-47, The Egg and I 04-20-47, The Turkey Dream 11-30-47, Texas Benefit 12-11-49, The Cast Sings the Commercial 06-03-51, Bend in the River 04-27-52

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Customer Reviews

First of all I was glad The Christmas ones were not part of the collection... Since I have those

twice.(however if you have never heard the episode where Jack is doing his Christmas shopping and Mel is behind the counter Its one of the best) My Criticism of these episodes are that in some of them Mel Blanc had a very small part; One of them I can only guess who he was.... To me this was just an excuse to sell more Jack Benny..... Missing was one episode where Mel keeps running into Jack asking can you use me on your show and jack says no and Mel goes into his Jolson Impression Its very funnyBut Professor Lablanc is still good and the train station is always good and one holiday episode where jack spends the whole show introducing his cast does spend good time with mel Blanc I love him starting up the maxwellll guess if you come away from this collection It proves Jack didn't use Mel Blanc enough if these are examples of their salute to Mel Blancand another complaint is the packaging they have the Cds stacks one on top of the other in a sort of Holding area I don't like the cds touching each other They could afford the envelopes at least

Utterly wonderful. Mel Blanc was a genius and the Jack Benny radio program was the peak of radio comedy -- far better than his TV shows. The best way to describe it is that the Jack Benny Show had humor carefully thought out with "callbacks" and various kinds of comedy techniques and humor VERY similar to the humor in the Warner Brothers cartoons. So it was quite fitting that Jack Benny worked closely with Mel Blanc. I listened to this set on a long drive and was laughing out loud. Blanc was an absolute comedy genius and if you go to You Tube you can see how he was equally great when seen by the camera. If you like cartoons and timeless comedy, this one is for you.

Bought this for my Mom as a gift but when I put them on for her to listen to I found how much I enjoyed listening to them also. The old stuff is still funny!

Who doesn't love Jack Benny? Add Mel Blanc into the mix and you get a very funny radio show. It's a great addition to the Jack Benny enthusiasts out there.

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