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In a time I've been in Houston, I made sure I came up to speed on places like the French Quarter and the town spa and the club and all those. So I think I might be able to do well on that quiz.



Jimmy Carper 00:15

Well, you know, I I'd like to think that I'm a professional faggot, but I have really only been out in the community since like, 8889. And before that, I was a Republican and Oh, not that that's bad or anything, but I was, I was very drawn to the result school and all of that kind of stuff. So there's a lot of things in back in 1986 85, I didn't even know where Pacific Street was.



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So are you a closeted supporter of George Bush's campaign? Is that what you're trying to say? No.



Jimmy Carper 00:59

No? Not any bush. Okay.



Gigi 01:11

Is there anything else that you would like to kind of finalize,



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that was a very smooth transition?



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No, absolutely not.



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I don't know how we can follow that.



Jimmy Carper 01:24

You want to cut your losses? While you can.



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I only just want to reiterate that we're here for everybody. And if for some reason, you haven't reached out and touched the voice, and you or you don't feel like the voice has reached out and touched you, please let us know. And and there are so many ways that you can do that. If you have ideas about stories, or if you have comments about stories, or if you have any ideas or how on how the paper would be more enjoyable to you, if we laid it out different. The stuff that Matt was talking about earlier with the financial column and the restaurant reviews, all of that came from ideas from readers. So please just reach out and touch us. And I will say once again, 713-529-8490.



Jimmy Carper 02:08

And what's that? What's that website?



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It's [www dot Houston voice.com](http://www.houstonvoice.com). Well, that's easy enough isn't right. And if you if you do go to the website, you can click on who we are is what it's called. And mine and mats addresses are there so you can email us



Jimmy Carper 02:27

those addresses?



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Or email addresses there. We haven't published our private addresses yet. But but you can get

or email addresses there. We haven't published our private addresses yet. But but you can get in touch with us or just like I say, Call and ask for microman. And we're happy to speak with you just say hey, I'm a reader. I'd like to speak with Mike. And I'll hop on the phone if I'm there.



Gigi 02:47

Good. Well, thanks for being a part of after hours. Yeah. Thank



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you so much for having us. We really enjoyed it.



Jimmy Carper 02:53

I can't believe it's the first time. Yeah, yeah. Yeah.



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It's been a while since I've been called that.



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We can share it with you, Jimmy. Yes.



Jimmy Carper 03:08

Thank you for being here. Now let's go to a piece of music. I've got a request for Christmas music already. I mentioned something in the beginning of the show. And you know, they always want me to drag out that Venus and V every year and this is the one he wants Richard and he's inside the loop by the way, and he'll be just like Venus envy, a homo for Christmas and you're listening to it on after hours. Queer radio with attitude on KPFT Houston and ke O 's College Station



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commercial free and listener sponsored Houston's 90.1k cf T the sound of Texas of Pacifica network station KPFT Houston que yo es College Station.



Jimmy Carper 03:57

And that little ditty was called Ode to the lima beans off of a album called Loch Ness Monster by the Flying Fish sailors and in our studio tonight



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I doing here? Yes. This is



Jimmy Carper 04:17

a brand new CD. That's right, boy, it's in my hot little hands.



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It's hot off the press.



Jimmy Carper 04:22

Wow. And how many CDs does the flyingfish fit sailors have right now?



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This makes album number four. See?



Jimmy Carper 04:31

And I think this is this might be the best one two.



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It is the best one I ever,



Jimmy Carper 04:35

ever and this tell me about this song. We're gonna have a lot of callers calling in.



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Yes, yes. Well, am I allowed to say I have a girlfriend on this show? Yes.



Jimmy Carper 04:48

Yes. Oh. this every once in a while we do have straight people on the show. This is one of them.

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He said it J Lee from actually I'm from technology bytes. The show about computers Yes. We hear it gets talked about on the geisha Sure. Yeah, okay people like computers we have a lot of them have them and know



Jimmy Carper 05:17

a lot more not me know what you're talking about those into your show. I don't know what



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people said they don't know what we're talking about. Anyway, okay, okay. Do I play in a band called the Flying Fish sailors and it's kind of kind of funky kind of we started off as a Celtic folk. But, you know, we decided that since none of us were Celtic that we would know Hey, get honest. We came out of the closet with our weirdness. That's what we did. Yeah, but



Jimmy Carper 05:44

you did the you did a run through



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the Renaissance Festival. We used to play, you know, various clubs around town and get instant karma. Yeah, is your karma we played in when it was munchies? The mucky duck before they kicked us out of there. So yeah, we've been doing stuff but we got our new album out. And you can go to [www dot flyingfish sailors.com](http://www.flyingfishsailors.com) That and order it then order. It's available on Amazon. We're trying a bold new e commerce experiment trying to sell our album to the world. So they take the credit card. So if you go to [flying fish sailors.com](http://flyingfishsailors.com) You can click a link and I'll take you over to amazon.com Well, you know,



Jimmy Carper 06:23

you're not alone in this because I deal a lot in game music. Imagine that. And most of it is by small groups in small towns and this they're all going on amazon.com



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That's gonna revolutionize we're gonna kill the producers need to record companies are out of the picture.



Jimmy Carper 06:49

This is the way people can get that music because they you know, there's



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all the money goes straight to Amazon and then they give a little bit of it to the day. Yeah, well, why don't we like



Jimmy Carper 07:00

you do get a little money.



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Well, they process the credit cards. So you know that there's a cost involved in that. And you know, amazon.com has that nice easy to remember name? Sure,



Jimmy Carper 07:11

sure. And they're easy. I can maneuver. And yeah, I mean



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most people that don't know anything about computers, they get on the web, they can go there and I'm there plugging in his safety plug in your credit card. I am there I'm telling you usually like the next day it arrives at your house. No kidding.



Jimmy Carper 07:26

I have not actually bought anything but some reviews for some game music and stuff like that.



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Well if if anybody wants to order the album, that's where they can get it and you can review they love you know, they have Yeah, can you review? So that's great. I think that's cool. So we started off this is like the while we played a little bit on our show once on the technology show we've done but this is like the first non J show that this this album has been played on. Yeah, well I hear out here in Houston and somebody grabbed a copy to go to Austin so I hear they're getting it's getting airplay. No Co Op, but it has great songs on there. It's got some UFO songs about There's a song called called or what is it called? It's called the Wharton UFO. Okay, there's a song about a guy driving to work and finds a crashed UFO has a bunch of memories

about being abducted gets really pissed off and abducted the aliens and makes them work in his yard. Hey, so new meaning on the word illegal aliens but it's a great song called the word. And there's another song on there called Loch Ness monster which we decided that if you're going to call it a monster we may as well sing about it as if it was killing people. It's a horrible horrible thing that lives in the lock. According to the song that we wrote if they get Godzilla and already kind of call it the Loch Ness Monster and people want to go nasty and make it all friendly. Yeah, you know, it's a monster. And some other good songs on there the halls you all Hall which is a moving shanty about trying to get your piano in your aquarium from one location to another.

 Jimmy Carper 08:57

Well, you know, I saw that that title Hall U haul Hall. Yeah. And I thought that's got to be about lesbians. Because that's that's what lesbians go out on their second date. And,

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and you hold Yes.

 Jimmy Carper 09:11


You know, that's the old jackets.

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You can say that. I can say that. Yeah. Once you gotta do beat me up.

 Jimmy Carper 09:20

But this looks like music for people who were even gay that

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they I think gay people were like it. We don't we don't have any objections to gay people purchase. Oh, okay. I'm glad we're one of those liberal independent artists. You know, if you're gay, you can buy it. You know, if you buy it, it doesn't necessarily say that you're gay. So those of you that are listening Oh, well, they aren't out yet. They're, you know, if you buy this, it's not like this flags gonna go up saying, oh, potential homosexual, right. You know, no, no, no, it's not a gay album. It's just a good fun. You know, it's not a club album. So it only has a couple of beats per minute.

 Jimmy Carper 10:01

There are gay people who do not care for club music. I know there's not very many of us, but



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hey, we're out there. Yeah. Well, it's very entertaining. Thank you for playing.



Jimmy Carper 10:10

It's a good song. It's a fun song. Well, it's written by, written by Cynthia. Yeah. And I know Cynthia and she wrote it. I'll play it.



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There you go. He likes that girl. I



Jimmy Carper 10:21

do like her.



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I do. She likes you. Good. Well, I hope you I hope he gets to play at some more especially on esoteric adventure. Yes, we



Jimmy Carper 10:29

will do it there too. All right. Well, he places All right. Thanks, Jay. Thanks for coming in. Thanks for the music. Thanks. See free music. So I got to put him on the air. Anyway, we're back with Gigi. Yeah. Hello. Hello. And we are doing pagan style. Yes,



Gigi 10:46


definitely. And before we get into the pagan stuff, I have to do man little rebels plug. Oh, yeah. Matter of fact, tickets are going fast. I'll bet they are. And if you are interested and joining for celebration, and the winter solstice and theater production that is unlike anything you've ever experienced. Yes, it





Jimmy Carper 11:09


is, really is unlike anything I've ever experienced. Its music and dance, and boys and

 Gigi 11:17
as such wonderful app and

 Jimmy Carper 11:20
a little bit of single. I mean, it's just you're gonna learn and be entertained all at the same time.


 Gigi 11:25
And the thing I like about rebels, it takes a different culture each year and goes into the ancient roots of where we came from, and brings belief systems and ways of being that are very pagan ish. You know, what

 Jimmy Carper 11:49
do you mean by pagan?

 Gigi 11:51
Earth based religions, basically, observing the winter solstice was a day when it's the shortest day. And cultures all over the world, wanting to bring the sun back. They felt that the sun was dying on that day, and they would light fires that night, and keep them going all night long. beckoning to the sun to come back and bring warmth and renewal. pagan religions celebrate the changing of the seasons of cycles, cycles of nature, all kinds of things. I mean, it's very insane. Sure, yes, rejiggering nature. We're

 Jimmy Carper 12:39
not talking about devil worship or any

 Gigi 12:41
actually paganism predates devils. That's a Christian concept. Okay, well Judeo Christian. Yeah. Judeo Christian values, that kind of thing.

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Yeah, as a matter of fact, for those who don't know, my good friend Bobby who is here in the studio with us tonight, I don't think he's on the air but my friend Bobby informed me that the original meaning of the word pagan was simply country dweller, one who lives in the country and hence the nature based religion idea.



Bobby 13:16

And the only reason I know that is because my last name is pagano where the word comes from Italian,



Gigi 13:25

but anyway, that way anybody interested in tickets for rebels? Phone number is 713-668-6866 or email at rebels. Hulu app. i A pc.net. Once again, rebels R EB E O S hulu@iapc.net. Okay. And it is going to be a fabulous production this year.



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I've seen GGS house it's filled with props for rebels and they're



Gigi 14:07

everywhere in the kitchen. Bathroom there



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making a Hogshhead out of paper mache that looks amazingly lifelike. Paper mache.



Gigi 14:24

Wow. We have to redo the hugs had they rejected the Oh no,



Jimmy Carper 14:28

it wasn't that wasn't real enough now nods



Gigi 14:31

just not quite invoking the right.



Jimmy Carper 14:37

campy Well,



Gigi 14:39

now it's say that it's going with a song in this year's production. And the song is about eating the Hogshead and what a feast it is. So we have to make it look more like something yummy and



Jimmy Carper 14:52

like food and something.



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Okay. Roasted Hogshead except they also



Gigi 14:59

want real All hair on it. So go figure. Oh



Jimmy Carper 15:07

no, no, no



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we can't say those things on there



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for a little



Gigi 15:21

tight st of rebels brought a poem. And this forms always had special meaning to me. Okay? You know, it's, it's an, I'm gonna ask that you take a deep breath and allow this poem not only to enter into your ears, but also into your heart and your spirit and see what visions may be invoked.




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Close your eyes if that helps.

 Gigi 16:00


The shortest day best Susan Cooper. So the shortest day came in the year died. And everywhere down the centuries of the snow white world came people singing, dancing, to drive the dark away. They lighted candles in the winter trees. They hung their height. They hung their homes with Evergreen. They burned beseeching fires all night long to keep the year alive. And when the New Year sunshine blazed awake, they shouted reveling through all the frosty ages. You can hear them echoing behind us. Listen. All the long echoes sing the same delight, the shortest day as promise awakens in the sleeping land. They Carol feast, give thanks, and dearly love their front ends, and hope for peace. And so do we, here now, this year and every year, welcome you. This porn,

 Bobby 17:30

that's very pretty.

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Just reading GJS conjures up

 Bobby 17:35

a whole world of images that just in my head that just, that's what

 Gigi 17:41

I like about it. I mean, it really the first time I heard this was a raffles and they had this point and every raffles production. And it is very strong and very powerful. One of the things that, you know, the first time I heard it, it just tears came to me. You know, I just felt this kind of touch all the way back through the ages. You know, knowing that you're I'm celebrating something that's been celebrated throughout time. Just very powerful.

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You know, this may seem obvious, but we as humans are very dependent upon the earth, and the sun and the seasons, and all these things that give us life. And although we're in the middle of a wonderful technological revolution, I have to happen to be a computer geek myself. So I can't argue against all that technology. It's, it's bringing us wonderful things like the internet. And I mean, things that even some of these things, even 10 years ago, we had no idea we're going to come around. But we seem to get lost in that technology. Sometimes, at least I do, and not take time out for the important things, which for me are to appreciate nature in the earth, and the passing of the seasons.





Gigi 19:03

And I'd like to say something about this particular Winter Solstice coming up. It's a very special one coming up. Yes. It is also the same day of the full moon. Oh, the Yeah, yeah, it is. I not only last. Wow. A lot of people call this the shortest day I call it the longest night. Late



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Night Of course, being the magical time.



Gigi 19:31

Lady of silver magic is especially strong right now. The Earth in its orbit around the sun is at its closest point to the sun during this day. The moon and its orbit around the Earth is in its northern most hemisphere.



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And also the Moon is at the closest to the earth. Yes. So we've we've got three things going on. We're going to have a very high Full Moon It's going to be a lot larger to our, our apparent sighting of it, it's going to look a lot larger to us because it's closer to the earth physically. And it's going to look brighter because the Earth is closer to the sun. And that's that the fact that it's going to be a full moon on the same night of the solstice, within eight hours of the actual Winter Solstice occurring. The full moon occurs about 3:30am On December 22, because solstice occurs about 11:45am on the 22nd. And yes, I've checked it out.



Bobby 20:37

He's worked when kinda girl for details. You've got



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it. Bobby, US Naval Observatory has a good website for astronomical stuff, if anybody's interested.



Bobby 20:46

So again, Curtis computers are,



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there's no, there's computers for you. Yes, you know, but



Gigi 20:53

you know, this, this is gonna be quite an event. I mean, you know that it's coinciding with the millennium. You know, you don't get a full moon on a major pagan holiday. It's a very rare occurrence.



Bobby 21:14

If you're, if it's lucky enough to I think, you know, that. Really, for those of us who have a more pagan look at, you know, outlook on life. I think it just brings to mind all the magic, the power of, you know, all you have to do is look up in the sky and and see a full moon and there's magic in that oh, just just to see and to feel I you know, tonight I was just looking up at the sky. And even though it was cloudy, you know, because we've been getting rain, which isn't, which is another thing you know, and water being one of the four elements. And boy did Houston need some



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until you one of the most beautiful things I've ever seen is a full moon rising over a lake. Oh, there was there was a lake where I lived in my childhood. And it was just beautiful. i The nights of the full moon, I would go out and wait for it to rise. It was just wonderful.



Gigi 22:20

But one of the things that we are working on in Bahrain and and you know, I'm very pagan, and a lot of the people and we've got a lot of bi-net people that are not pagan.



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They right that's not to say that you have to be pagan to join bi-net, it's just that we're finding that there are a lot of people of pagan persuasion, and who happened to be in buying that as well.



Gigi 22:42

But the thing that I like about paganism and being bisexual is that, you know, we truly are, it's like in a lot of cultures and mass. The magic people, the shamans, the



Bobby 22:59

certainly people that



G Gigi 23:02

had visions, they were the people that were either gender variant or into going being bisexual or gay, gay. Yeah. And, you know, it was believed by ancients throughout many cultures that people that walk both paths in the life were prepared to walk both the physical path than the spiritual path

B Bobby 23:33

in the in the Italian pagan Rome, which had been studying over the last year, the a sect of people called the Kaaba lino. Were essentially a gay or bisexual, pagan. They were, they were a Holy Order. You know, as far as pagan belief, they were very important in the how, in being the, you know, priestess priest, sort of people

J Jimmy Carper 24:13

what, you know, just from the outside looking in, it seems as though a lot of pagan religions have people with more fluid sexuality. It's when you get into the Judeo Christian things that all of a sudden we get these rigid everything. Yeah. Yeah,

G Gigi 24:34

and part of that comes, right. Yeah. Part of it comes from that peg mess. Pagan cultures were matriarchal systems passed from mother to daughter. Never any problem knowing who the mother is. You know, it's pretty evident when we come into the patriarchal systems and Well started passing from father to son. All of a sudden, we needed more rigid boundaries because it wasn't so clear cut on who the father is.

J Jimmy Carper 25:08

And that's when women became possessions.

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Yes. Isn't that interesting? But you know, women really have always had the power. Oh, yeah. Even though men consider women to be possessions, women really do control men, even in our patriarchal society. Think about it.

B Bobby 25:29

Without the straight men could get along without their wives and girlfriend. But how

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many straight men really make the decisions in the home but I digress.

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Gigi 25:41

We're going dangerous territory. But I do want to say, but Scott nine a few others are starting a shopping at a new cabin. For people that are interested in learning about paganism that are interested in sex magic, or interested in nature based religions. Yeah,

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I'll define the word coven. Because I didn't know what it meant until well, a year or two ago. A coven. And Gigi correct me if I need correcting. But my definition of it is a group of people who gather to share in the spirituality of nature. That's what it all seems to boil down to.

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Gigi 26:35

And it's very flexible. It's how you define it. But basically, it's to share and kind of learn from one another spiritual path. And, you know, most of my life I've been what's called it silo pagan. Basically, I followed the spirits I felt within myself and within the environment. And it's only within the last couple of years, I've started branching out and learning from other pagans, learning from bags, learning from other sources, outside of this kind of self, embodiment.

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Anyone who's listening open minds are always welcome. Yeah, and you can contact either myself or Gigi through the bi-net webpage,

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Gigi 27:23

or through the bonnet online, which is 713-467-4380. Barry, wow. You've committed

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to memory.

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Gigi 27:37

It took me long enough.

J


Jimmy Carper 27:39

You're not a member person

You're not a member person.

 Gigi 27:41

Five years. But other things had to match better. Especially when they're long. Yeah.

 Bobby 27:53

Yeah, I think another interesting thing about paganism is that we unlike so, so many different religions, which have absolute rules, you know, you must do this in order to be this you must be leave this in order to be, you know, this pagan beliefs are and the ways people celebrate the way people you know, go their path. They each do it in their own way. There's myself. It's very self directed. Yes,

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as a matter of fact, the last ritual I performed. I had it written out ahead of time, and it took its own direction. Yeah. I remember because he was there and, and things started happening, and I just had to let it go. And,

 Gigi 28:43

you know, it's not just about religion or spiritual issues, although they can be encompassed in all kinds of events. But I think one of the most magical events I've been to is when I went on a campout with a bunch of fellow pagans. And after all the ceremonies, we gathered around the big campfire, in dance sky clad to a drum circle.

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Oh, nice. That's naked. Yes, yeah. Nate for the benefit of our listeners. I mean,

 Jimmy Carper 29:18

for the naked Yes,

 Gigi 29:19

men, women, just shutting clothes, getting this really tribal be going on the drums. And a drum circle is not really following any musical. pre planned thing, it's kind of comes from the Spirit from the musician. They kind of make it as they go, almost like

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improvisational jazz. A drum circle is a wonderful thing and it's never scripted. Yes. And it

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Bobby 29:46

is to play and let the literally let it come to you.

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Gigi 29:52

The last drum circle I went to one of the nights of a full moon and we're all dancing around naked and all of a sudden it just felt the moon energy going through me, Wow. I'm getting goosebumps. But those are the kinds of things we do. And it was really a celebration of life dance fire, magic people. We drank wine we is just very festive. Nothing serious at all. Totally just celebration of life and love and, and fellowship with one another.

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Bobby 30:38

One of the things that gets me is the ease. You were talking about going Sky Cloud and as a person living with a disability, I tend to be extraordinarily self conscious about my body. And there are very few people who except for my ex, my doctor, and probably my dearly departed parents who have seen me naked.

J

Jimmy Carper 31:02

Well, I'll tell you, as an aging person, I feel the same way. But but you know, you have to get over it.



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Well, and of course, it's not a requirement for any ritual either.

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Jimmy Carper 31:16

with like minded people, you know, this, it doesn't matter.

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Gigi 31:20

Well, the other thing is, and this is something I've learned from paganism is that beauty isn't just a physical thing. It's also a very spiritual thing.

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Jimmy Carper 31:30

And the fact that the whole idea of nakedness is shedding those inhibitions.



Gigi 31:36

Yes. That's not be this is you?



Jimmy Carper 31:41

The basic you.



Gigi 31:44

And it is awfully nice to see all that stuff flopping around the campfire. Baby beauty, I mean, I used to



Jimmy Carper 31:57

be, like, way a lot or



Gigi 32:01

No, no, I'm talking about



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real, even in a non I mean, certainly there's a beauty in a sexual way. But even in a non sexual way. The human body, it's, it's meant to be seen by other human beings. It's just beautiful thing. And the human



Jimmy Carper 32:18

body has a different aspect to it. Depending on the age, yes.



Gigi 32:25

But the other what I'm trying to get to here too, is that when you're in the main line with the campfire going and you're dancing to the drums, it's like, it doesn't matter. All the imperfections of the body dissipate. All the things we're so picky about usually all of a suddenly consciousness,





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time and space kind of blend into one. And that's the whole idea with



Gigi 32:51

it. You're there and you're celebrating and you're dancing. And I mean, we had people that were overweight, we had people that were skinnier than I was just I weighed about 130



Bobby 33:05

Oh look fucking Scott but you



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flatter me,



Gigi 33:13

but the thing is, is that everybody there look beautiful. And it was a very you know, once you get rid of this kind of commercial image of what we're supposed to look like, with all the airbrushing techniques that they use for advertising and in Playboy, or playgirl, you strip all that away, and all of a sudden, you see the real beauty and human beings and, you know, really what it's all about.



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I don't remember who what famous person it was, it was who said, Never buy beauty magazines, they only make you feel ugly.



Bobby 33:50

So true. And it's society and I guess the the Judeo Christian thing that that has created that idea that you have to cover up what you are with clothing with, you know, masks of any kind, you know, God



Jimmy Carper 34:13

Almighty, you know, cover your shame, whatever. Isn't that a horrible thing to tell anyone? No. Yeah.





Gigi 34:22


And that's part of this celebration that it's uncovering and being free. That's what's so liberating to me about a drum circle out in the woods with campfire dancing naked.

 Jimmy Carper 34:36
That's right.

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Three purpose I'm sorry.

 Gigi 34:40
It's, it's really about coming in tune with your inner being and learning to love yourself as as you are and love the people around you as they are in worshipping who we are as people and, and, you know, part of mine, you know, become a priestess 10 Part of what I consider sacred is my body temple. And, you know, I think we lose that concept we think of sex as something dirty or something should be, you know, yes or we think about nudity is something that's, you know, it's not allowed. It's

 Jimmy Carper 35:23
you know, we get all this. It's in in even what we don't say when we talk about nude pictures. We talk about Dirty Picture.

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Yeah, and the whole idea of sex and human sexuality being dirty, is needed. It's further magnified by our clothing today. Clothing serves three main purposes the first and the original.