



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2007

## The 12 Plays of Alt-Indie Christmas Songs - Mix Six



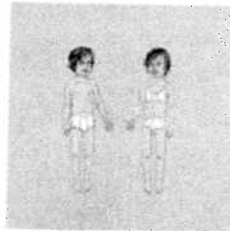
Here is Mix Six in the 12 Plays series. This playlist includes a diverse collection of Christmas and wintry songs, just in case you are somewhere in the world where it is not going to be a white Christmas.

Indie giants like Yo La Tengo, Comet Gain, Chris Letcher and Belle and Sebastian, plus relatively new favorites on the non-mainstream music circuit - whether you call them "indie," "alt" or whatever - like Band of Horses, Great Lake Swimmers and Phantom Planet contribute to the Christmas songs anthology.

(Above: The note Santa is reading in the cartoon reads: "Dear Santa, If you leave a new bike under the tree, I will give you the antidote to the poison I put in the milk - Tommy.")

A Change of Pace offers up the introspective "Christmas on the Coast" and the Parenthetical Girls present indie cheer with "I Love Christmas", plus holiday season songs by Dave Melilo, The Halo Brothers, The Reindeer Section, Phofu and Jason Gleason.

- A Hooves Christmas - The Hooves
- I Love Christmas - Parenthetical Girls
- All I Want For Christmas - Dave Melilo
- Asleep On The Snow - Comet Gain
- Christmas on the Coast - A Change of Pace
- Deep Frieze - Chris Letcher
- Here Come Christmas - Remington Super 60
- It's Christmas Time - Yo La Tengo
- Light The Menorah - Phofu
- My First Christmas as a Woman - The Vandals
- Santa Claus - Belle and Sebastian
- Sleigh Bells and Wine - Jason Gleason
- Snowfall - The Halo Brothers
- Song For The Angeles - Great Lake Swimmers
- The First Song - Band of Horses
- Winter Wonderland - Phantom Planet
- You Are My Joy - The Reindeer Section



### MK battle ground

There's a fight for votes, and it's isn't in Polokwane

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By Helen Herimbi

**TONIGHT**

As we ready ourselves for another year, we also prepare for a music awards cycle. From the Samas to the Koras to the Metros, and even the new Gospel Awards, I hear next year is the time to reward the worthy.

The premier Afrikaans and alternative music channel - Musiek Kanaal, aka MK - is also in on the action.

They will host their own music awards of and the winners will be announced on March 10 2008.

All the artists up for these awards are South African and were picked because they showcase the best of what's on offer in their respective categories. All of the videos that got the nod will be put on regular rotation until February 15, so you can make an informed choice.

Yes, it's up to you to pick the winner in all 12 categories. Simply SMS the code of the nominee you think deserves to win in their category.

Log onto [www.mk.tv.co.za](http://www.mk.tv.co.za) to get the codes and for more information.

#### The Nominees

- Roadtrip

Chris Letcher - Deep Frieze

Jakkie Louw - Ysterperd

Lara Frances - High on Life

Louise Carver - Home

Lukraaketaar - Taranangi Junkie

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**Competition  
of the Week**

► Chris Letcher CDs

**SA Times is giving away two  
copies of Chris Letcher's  
album Frieze.**