## Busdriver "Unemployed Black Astronaut"

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It's the resurgence of the happy black rappers

But now African medallions are handicap placards And we're alphabetized in the modernized retro

And my press photos are wallet-size

My rent's low

Why don't you shape me

I'm malleable fleshy putty

In a salad bowl with dill dressing

In simulated urban field testing

Dressing thuggy

Accompanied by a sexy bunny

Straight out of a burlesque show

She'll sever the ring finger of the lead singer

And stir a fresh bowl

Of the bitch's brew with bee stingers

But Leimert's fresh though

It's home of the black speed-reader

Perplexed our blurbs stretch

To suggest that I'm spacy

But the bird nest is low

Which means I'm commonplace

To the point we travel the country in wooden

spaceships

On the phone cursing at the booking agents

I wield words and I pilfer the country with the

underground's who's

who

But I feel like I've been sodomized with a billiard's pool

cue

I am the first black astronaut

To walk the bare moon

From my air balloon

Pound my beliefs into the desired shape

Then put them sound asleep in a fireplace

It's the return of the unpopular dope rappers

Who retreat to holes in the sky

Climbing up rope ladders

And will sell you a silver disc soaked in laughter

Because you've been brainwashed

Out of your ears leaks soap lather

Why don't you deify me I'm Buckaroo Bonsai I don't know what to do I'm the wrong guy I touch crews like Krush Groove on DVD

And I got my start doing songs with CVE But now you're like: Chilling Villain who? Project what? Persona non grata No wristband for the popsicle stick man He's a wad of hot lava Drip crayon on your clipped glands Won't squander top dollar Twists strands to enrich fans But there's not a lot of offers They give grands to kitsch bands I water lawns For the ADD D&D role players And we got along So we formed a commonwealth And you hear me through random sightings and file sharing And you tell me that songwriting's like childbearing No it's not It's self-indulgence Elfin culprits watch their egos melt in charcoal pits

## Oh my

Sorry I left my acceptance speech
In the back of the private car
And I rewrote the Hollywood ending
Fluxed the motion picture screen
Made it so the black guy doesn't die by the opening
scene

It's the decline of the cathartic writer
And the label's who couldn't market a Lifer
I've been outsold and my style's old and lame
I'll spark a lighter to the carpet fiber
Because I'm not a household name
I'm a tax write-off
I signed a deal with no exit clause
My label's like Mrs. Santa Claus during menopause
So I'm banging on padded walls
Because I'm trying to make hits
But I keep hitting pop flies
I don't eat out anymore
I thaw out chicken pot pies
But I used to be on the list of the top five
Fresh hip-hop guys

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