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**Barkley** — Barkley (of Barkley's Barnyard Critters)

@ Apartment 13 Gallery

## Press Release:

Barkley is the ringleader of an animated and IRL band called "Barkley's Barnyard Critters" and was started around 1996 in Providence, RI. Videos of the animated crew's hijinks can be found on YouTube as well as years old uploads of the IRL band's reckless/messy live happenings. Brian Gibson, an artist, musician and game developer, and creator of Barkley's Barnyard Critters plays the character Barkley and is responsible for creating the animated films that have been discussed through music forums, word of mouth, and animators throughout the years. Barkley's painting practice is a recent development in the project with his first and only other show having happened at Fuller Speed Shop in Olneyville, RI but a YouTube video uploaded in 2013 from the official Barkley YouTube channel called "Barkley Painting" shows the infancy of this endeavor. The show at Apartment 13 consists of a frenzied performance of Barkley painting on opening night and leaving the messy studio on view to the public for a month after.