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Grimes - Nightmusic ft. Majical Cloudz

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It's no surprise that "Nightmusic," off of **Grimes'** album *Visions*, which our own Chris Estey compared to **Cocteau Twins** (sort of) would be a video better **suited to the dark, wet days of a Pacific Northwest autumn** than the glorious sunshine we've been having lately. Imaginary Amie already brought you the perfect **opening track** for your summer mix. You might want to save this grey and moody video from Grimes for the closer.

Unseasonable as it may be, "Nightmusic" is worth a late-night viewing. Grimes, the Vancouver, B.C. native Claire Boucher, here appears as a **sinister version of the Neverending Story's Childlike Empress**, an image well-matched to her high-pitched, infantile voice. She alternates between this and some kind of ill-intentioned wood nymph casting spells on a slightly NSFW naked couple. **The spooky video seems to tell a story**, but you don't have to figure out what it is to appreciate the contrast, reminiscent of **Fiona Apple's "Criminal,"** between its dark content and Boucher's childish appearance. The **first offering** from her new jewelry line, which appears in the video, is a little harder to appreciate.

{The next time Grimes will be playing in Seattle is the Capitol Hill Block Party the weekend of July 20.}



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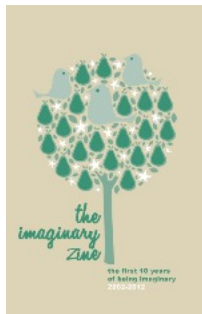
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