

Sweeney Todd *

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It was the day before Halloween and Vincent roared in anguish. He had heard a song playing above and now he couldn't forget the chorus.

"OOOOOOOOO *Roxy Rollaaaaa*"

He raced down the longest tunnel, read passages from '*Don Quixote*', sat listening to the waterfall. In vain.

He was distraught when Catherine arrived to discuss their Halloween plans. He told her his problem.

"NO!" she groaned. "Now I have it."

Vincent felt instant relief and smiled at her sympathetically. He was sure she could disinfect herself much easier than he.

"Perhaps humming it to Joe ...," Catherine mused, grinning.

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1. The song "*Roxy Roller*" (1975) was a hit composed by British-Canadian Nick Gilder, who was lead singer for the glam rock group 'Sweeney Todd'. It appeared in their album 'You Kow Who You Are' in 1977 and won a Juno for Best Selling Single that year.

Listen to it on YouTube here: https://youtu.be/10_QxxDT2KQ



2. Historically, Sweeney Todd was the fictional Victorian 'demon barber of Fleet Street', who dispatched his victims by using a lever to drop them out of his barber chair into his basement, where he finished them off with a straight razor across their throats.



3. Johnny Depp played Todd in the movie version of the tale, with Helena Bonham Carter.

