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Subject: Re: Some humor

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George Carlin kinda took from Lenny Bruce and Mort Sahl. Don't get me wrong he's funny but the parallels are very close. Regarding stand-ups I think a lot of guys took from Allan King and Robert Klein; who BTW has a new album out after what, 25 yrs? When Carson had Don Rickles, Don Adams and Buddy Hackett on occasionally; that was as funny as funny gets. The closest thing to that was ten yrs ago when Howard would have Gilbert Gottfried; Sam Kinison, and Bette Midler on. Those three worked a riff into fine art and man your stomach hurt from laughing. Nowadays there is a snide; smug undertone to comedy that rankles after a while. I think Seinfeld was the last good series to really do comedy for comedy's sake; without an ulterior agenda. That British guy who does standup in drag is good but I forget his name. Unless you have some favorites I am not aware of? (Eddie Izzard, I think is the British guy, it just came to me.)

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