
Subject: When The Levee's Broke
Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Sat, 19 Aug 2006 19:56:44 GMT
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Spike has a three hour movie regarding the Katrina debacle; it is getting good reviews. Spike is over the top sometimes but when he is good he is really good.

Subject: Re: When The Levee's Broke
Posted by [lon](#) on Sun, 20 Aug 2006 18:20:18 GMT
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Good thing I checked in here. I definitely want to see this. Just viewed a Spike Lee Joint with a different director called "CSA: The Confederate States Of America." It's a mock documentary done in the style of Ken Burns which postulates an America in which the South won the Civil War and slavery continues into modern day. I had a torrent of this, but you have to see the original dvd. The director's commentary track is as good if not better than the film itself. He shows how he used historical reversal, photographic and other artifacts to create the film.
CSA: The Confederate States of America

Subject: Re: When The Levee's Broke
Posted by [lon](#) on Thu, 31 Aug 2006 17:50:11 GMT
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I've been viewing this from a file about an hour at a time. It's definitive as near as I can tell but, after about 1/2 way, they still haven't gotten into the Martial law issue and the private contractors from Blackwater and other thug outfits. All the officials at the city and state level plus some federal get to explain their side of it in a pretty neutral manner. On this anniversary of Katrina, The Yes Men appeared as representatives of HUD at a meeting with Nagin and some others. If you don't know who the Yes Men are, they do impersonations of government and corporate officials and appear at functions as "Suits" with new inventions or announcements of policy. In the case of Katrina and as representatives of HUD, they said that the plan to demolish usable housing would be changed to _building_ several new health facilities. I'm hoping to see some video of that.
The Yes Men on dvd

Subject: Re: When The Levee's Broke
Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Fri, 01 Sep 2006 14:39:37 GMT
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Oh yeah; I saw a show where these guys attend the WTO conference in Belgium and evidently it was them. Pretty funny watching them treated as real business executives. So did you get to see any of Spike's movie?

Subject: Re: When The Levee's Broke
Posted by [lon](#) on Fri, 01 Sep 2006 15:45:19 GMT
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When The Levees Broke is 4 hours and in four parts so I'm viewing it in chunks. Eventually HBO will release it as dvd. I got the film on torrents which is pretty simple to do. Bittorrent file sharing is something that is not really new but it's better understood in the world market. By this I mean that places like Germany are further along on doing things like video capture. A capture card was given to me and so I'm learning how to use that. It's more complicated than finding the big red button that says 'record' because a certain amount of video theory has to be understood. My goal with that is to archive a documentary from vhs on an .avi file which can then be uploaded as a torrent. The vhs tape is not of good quality and needs some tweaking. Uploading files as torrents has me mystified yet. Below is a link to a presentation from Australia on Bittorrent.
The Future of Bittorrent
