

Jesse Don't Like It

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If Jesse don't like it then it's prob'ly not art
Jesse knows what's good Ol' Jesse is smart
And if you don't like that don't feel sad
'Cause the art that you like is probably bad

Grandma Moses, she's OK
Never exposes anything; everything's far away
And that statue of David's all right with Jesse
'Cause Michelangelo gave him such a tiny pee-pee

If Jesse don't like it, it don't stay;
get it out of the museum, get it out of there today
Jesse's fav'rite painting is the one of the clown
with the daisy in his hand and a tear rollin' down

In the kindergarten years ago, Jesse got rude
He took a red Crayola and he drew a nude
And the teacher took a ruler to Jesse's behind
She beat his butt but she ruin'd his mind

Jesse prob'ly didn't like Picasso
But neither did that dictator Franco
And I know about art but I've got to take a hike
If I like somethin' that Jesse don't like

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If Jesse thinks it's dirty it don't get any funds
They use that taxpayer's money on tobacco and guns
Your freedom of expression is bein' denied;
But if you're not sure what you like then just let
Jesse decide

Don't photograph a penis; don't paint a breast
Don't write about the truth because it might offend
Jesse
And don't tell it like it is, and don't show where it's
at
'Cause Jesse don't like it and that is that.

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