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NICK CAVE

The original Bad Seed on rock, sex, aging and his latest creation, Grinderman

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THE BREAKERS

THE WHAT: *Here for a Laugh* (Funzalo)

THE WHERE: Copenhagen, Denmark

THE WHY: The Faces, Thin Lizzy, Graham Parker and the Rumour

After a poor-selling, noisy debut for Sony in '04, the Breakers (not to be confused with like-named bands from Detroit and St. Louis) set out to expand their sound without losing their rock 'n' roll spirit. With *Street Legal*-era Bob Dylan guitarist Billy Cross producing, their second album adds soul and R&B to the band's classic-rock base. The result: a singer with the raspy voice of a young Rod Stewart backed by a band that grooves like it came out of Britain's '70s pub-rock scene. **HAL BIENSTOCK**

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