

The Official Random Acts of Amazon Turntable Room FAQ

General

If you're an active user of Turntable feel free to skip over this section.

What is Turntable?

It's a place where the awesome people of random acts of amazon can share some really cool music and play music together.

How does it work?

First things first, you need an account which isn't that difficult to make. Second, you will need to add some of your favorite songs to your queue to be able to play them. This can be done by going into the tab that says "Queue" and searching the titles and/or artists that you want to add. You add the song to the queue by pressing the little cross/add symbol. You can also upload songs from your iTunes/computer/etc. Once you have a few songs you're ready to start DJing. If there's a spot open you'll know because an open sign above the seat will say "Play Music". If there is no spot open feel free to add yourself to the DJ queue by typing +q or .add into the chat window.

Why can't I hear anything?

Sometimes a song *looks* like it's playing, but there is no sound. Ask others in the room if they can hear anything. If not, the current DJ needs to skip the song. If that DJ is AFK, ask the mods for help after at least one minute.

Why doesn't TT show a song playing?

Sometimes a song 'hangs', and there is no sound and nothing on the marquee. In this case, the current DJ needs to skip the song. If that DJ is AFK (away from keyboard), ask the mods for help after at least one minute.

Occasionally Turntable does have maintenance and in the case most of the time you can't play any music with album art. Also sometimes songs hang and you'll have to skip your song anyways.

How do I skip a song?

Hover over your DJing self and the option of "Skip song" should pop-up in a small menu.

How do I stop DJing?

Hover over your DJing self and the option of "Stop DJing" should pop-up in a small menu.

Alternately, type the `/dive` command to "stage dive" off the decks. If you're going to use the `/dive` command please do it in the public chat so we as mods know that you were pulled off because of that and that SirNarwhal isn't glitching and pulling random people off.

When can I DJ?

Check the DJ queue for your position by typing **.pq** and if your username does not show up there you'll have to add yourself to the DJ queue. When the DJ queue makes it's rotation and it's your turn SirNarwhal will send you a message reminding you it's your turn. You have 30 seconds to step up before you are skipped. In those 30 seconds no one else will be allowed to step up.

How do I get an awesome avatar or stickers on my laptop?

A lot of the avatars have to be unlocked by playing songs. When someone awesomes your song you get a point. The more points you have the more avatars you unlock. You can change your avatar by hovering over the drop down arrow on the top right corner click on "Change Avatar". Also in that same drop down list you can see where it says "Laptop Stickers" click that and you can add and edit your laptop stickers and design.

What is the heart/star that just flew out of that user's head?

The heart means that they added your song to their own queue. The star means that they fanned you. In other words they like you or another user's stuff in the room.

How can I add someone else's song to my own list?

When the song is playing scroll over the title and there should be a orange/yellow square, click it. If you go into recently played songs under the room tab you can see the same orange/yellow square.

How can I add a song to my Amazon Wish List?

Right next to the TT square, there's one for finding the mp3 on Amazon; click it. This is also a handy tool for listening to 30-second preview clips of a song.

Where do I get a light up avatar/post gifs in chat?

The special avatars are for Turntable Gold. It's a premium service that allows you to pay between \$1 and \$25 a month for special avatars, post gifs in chat, use special emoticons, and get access to different stickers.

Rules

We want this to be a fun place and rather simple so there aren't many rules but we do need some organization. The rules are here to help protect our users and make this comfortable place for everyone.

Be excellent to each other.

It still applies here and carries over from RAoA. In fact, as we are a RAoA community, *all* RAoA rules apply, of course.

Your nickname should be the same as your Reddit name.

Some users have used different usernames than the ones they used on reddit. Since the room is only for the users of RAoA, we would like you to use your name from the subreddit to avoid confusion. To change your name, click on your avatar, then click on the little pencil to the right of

your name to edit. You can only change this a set number of times.

This room is for users of RAoA only.

We know that the room can be a lot of fun at times and you might want to recommend it to your friends and things like that but the room was created for RAoA users so that is what it is to be used for. Please have an [Intro] post in RAOA or have participated/commented in some way so we can search for your name.

Themes.

Please take note that this is not a theme room. Turntable has a wide range of theme rooms. We are a RAoA room. If you want to have a specific theme for a certain time that's completely fine. However, we do not force anyone to follow that theme. If someone wants to play something specific that's their choice.

No hate music is allowed to play.

We support all types of music but the mods observe the right to pull you off of DJing if you play any overly violent, hateful songs. We will however give you a warning and ask you nicely to please skip your song. If you do not comply with the warning we'll be forced to remove you from DJing. A good rule of thumb for this is if it makes people uncomfortable.

Feel free to play whatever genre of music you want.

Although we have a rule about hate music that shouldn't really limit what type of genre you play. We encourage all types of music, ex. rock, alternative, folk, indie, jazz, swing, rap, r&b, etc.

The DJ queue and song limits.

If the DJ spots are full and you want to DJ feel free to add yourself to the DJ queue. You can do this by typing .add , +q , .addme . Any of those will add you to the list of people. When the room is full, there is a two song limit per DJ. As soon as you are pulled off, you can re-add yourself to the DJ queue, and when it's your turn you can step back up again. When no one's in the room it shouldn't pull you off. Also, to be fair to everyone please limit your song length to 7 minutes, unless otherwise decided by everyone in the room.

Awesoming and Laming (upvotes and downvotes)

We encourage you not to lame things. **Laming goes against the nature of RAoA.** Laming also can skip songs which isn't fair to anyone since this room is designed for all types of music and no one's music is any better than anyone else's. In extreme cases, if a person gets enough lames they can be kicked from DJing and not allowed back up. The only time laming is ever ok is if there is no mod in the room and a song is hanging/not playing. If a song is extremely offensive and makes you uncomfortable we would prefer if you contacted a mod in private to let us know and we'll handle it appropriately. Otherwise, we have an unspoken rule of if you don't like it, mute it. As far as awesoming goes, we recommend you do even if you don't like the song. Awesoming

only gives people points and points are what allows people to change their avatars. If you plan on being in the room but not active or afk we suggest you look into autoawesoming which will awesome things for you automatically.

Advertising other rooms and sites....

Please don't advertise other music sites and activities that are similar to TT in the TT room. The first time you do, you will be asked to leave. Beyond that, we will be forced to remove you from the room.

TinyChat rooms!

We know that some people have become close through the turntable room and don't want to use the official RAoA TinyChat room because of their comfort level, but please do not advertise other permanent TinyChat rooms. <http://www.tinychat.com/randomactsofama>.

We now have our own RAoA approved TC! For details, see: <http://goo.gl/uNqNsl>

Regarding GIFS

One of the coolest things (if not THE coolest) about having TT Gold is the ability to post GIFs inline with the chat. We do encourage you to share your awesome GIFs with us, but the GIFs that are posted inline NEED to be SFW. **No NSFW GIFs in chat, please!** People come in to our chat that are at work or under the age of 18. If you want to share NSFW items with us, link ONLY with a warning that it is NSFW.

Appropriate General Chat Conversation

While we are a welcoming and open family here, we do have to be mindful of the conversations we have in the public chat.

We have noticed you guys are hitting it off and that is great! However, we have seen an increase in pretty NSFW conversations! You guys are more than welcome to partake in these in PMs, but unfortunately, we have to be mindful that this is a minor-friendly environment. Therefore, NSFW conversation must be kept to a minimum. NSFW songs are still allowable; we are mainly concerned about excessively NSFW conversations. Any conversations detailing sexual experiences or acts will not be permitted. Linking to NSFW pictures and sites is allowable if there is an NSFW warning attached in the chat. No NSFW gifs are allowed.

Here are some examples to clear things up!

Okay: "This is one of my favorite songs for sexytime."

Not okay: "I just bent over my girlfriend to this song last night." Or "BRB, gonna go fap to this!"

Okay: "Killiano92, you are ridiculously cute."

Not okay: "Killiano92, I want to strap you down and have my way with you."

The other sensitive topic that has risen is talk of suicide. While we encourage everyone to feel comfortable in sharing their problems and concerns, we do have to take into consideration the implications of some types of conversation. Even if the mention of committing suicide is not an actual threat, it is a serious comment. We hope that everyone here is able to reach out for any kind of emotional support needed. However, in the public chat, such comments are unsuitable for

a general audience. Many people may suffer from depression and have a trigger that could be easily set off by another's mention of suicide. Also, such comments could make others very uncomfortable as they are not sure how to react to such comments. Mental health is a serious problem that none of us want to make light of or unintentionally be insensitive to. Lastly, many people in TT are health care professionals who have a strong ethical, if not legal, obligation to investigate further and potentially make a report.

Our Drunken Friendly Bot SirNarwhal

Who is SirNarwhal?

He is a bot created by crimsonjella for the purpose of keeping the room in order. He is currently running off of a server in order to keep him running 24/7.

What does SirNarwhal do?

He helps to keep the room organized while the mods are not around. He does things like enforcing the DJ queue and song limits. He also enforces an away from the keyboard rule. When the room is really active and people are waiting to DJ, you must stay active by upvoting or talking in chat. He will warn you of this before removing you. He also does some other neat things like taking down stats for songs, welcoming everyone to the room, and he also steps up to DJ if no one else is in the room with you so you can still hear the music that you are DJing.

SirNarwhal isn't in the room what do we do?

If there's a mod in the room they will try and keep a mental que going to try and be fair to everyone. Basically the same rules apply but the moderators are in charge of making sure that they are held up. If there's no mod in the room honor system try, if someone wants to DJ and you've been up for a while try and be fair. If there's any real issues with this try and message a mod via reddit or the suggestion email.

How does SirNarwhal get his music when he's DJing?

He is just like another other Turntable account. We can sign in and add music to his queue. However, we want to make his list have a lot of variety so he can appeal to the masses since he is going to be DJing with us. We don't want him to just play one type of music. Every once in awhile, we sign on to his account and add some of the music that was played and voted highly in the room. So he plays music that all of you have played in the room before. There's supposed to be a feature where he does it on his own but we're not completely sure if that works just yet.

Commands SirNarwhal will respond to.

Please take note that not all of the commands that SirNarwhal is programmed with actually work. Maybe at some point in the future they will but right now they don't. Some of the commands require some add ons to be used. I know that the bot is new to some people and interesting but please try and refrain from spamming the chat with bot commands and interactions with the bot that are not needed. If you want to spam the bot or test something out feel free to in a private message with him.

Here is a list of commands he will respond to: (the green just means that they have been

tested and work)

User commands

- **commands** - Displays the list of commands the bot can respond to.
- **/dive** - The bot will pull you off-stage
- **/roll** - Dice roll
- **.owner** - Outputs a bot owner response configurable in config.js
- **.source** - Provides a link to this GitHub project
- **ping** - Responds to the issuing user that they are still in the room.
- **reptar** - Responds with a variant of "rawr!"
- **.hodor**, **hodor?** - Hodor!
- **rules** - Displays the room rules (defaults to Indie/Classic Alt 1 & Done room rules).
- **hugs meow** - Hugs the issuing user back in chat.
- **platforms** - Lists the number of users on each platform (PC/Mac/Linux/iPhone/Chrome) in the room.
- **songinfo** - Displays mid-song stats (awesomes, lames, snags). Useful for iPhone users.
- **platforms** - Returns the number of each type of computer (pc, linux, mac, chrome, iPhone) in the room.
- **.quake** - Returns the three most recent earthquakes of M2.5 or greater
- **joindate** - Returns the user's join date.
- **roominfo** - Displays the room info in chat.
- **.fanme** - The bot will fan you.
- **.unfanme** - The bot will unfan you.
- **myuserid** - Displays your user id.
- **onlinemods** - Shows a list of moderators currently online.
- **points** - Displays what is needed for the bot to awesome the song (number of awesomes, points, etc).
- **userinfo [name]** - Returns stats on any TT user.

Room enforcement commands

- **waitdjs** - Displays a list of DJs who must wait before stepping up again, and how long they must wait.
- **.remaining, songsremaining** - Shows a DJ how many songs they have remaining before they must step down.
- **djinfo** - Displays a list of current DJs and how many songs they have remaining before they must step down.
- **any spots opening soon?, anyone stepping down soon?** - Displays the next DJ to step down, and how many songs they have remaining.
- **can i step up?** - Tells a user if they can step up to DJ again.

Waitlist commands

- **.add, .addme, +q** - Adds user to waitlist/queue
- **.rem, .removeme, -q** - Removes user from waitlist/queue

- `.position` - Shows your position in the waitlist/queue
- `.pq, printqueue` - Prints the waitlist/queue

Other Miscellaneous Questions

What do the moderators do?

Moderators are there to make sure the rules are followed. Moderators are mostly there to escort AFK DJs if a song hangs, but can escort DJs that are not following any rules off the stage and in extreme cases can boot users from the room. We're not here to be the bad guys, but if there is a serious issue with a user we will take care of it. Please feel free to come to any of us with your concerns.

Who are the moderators of the room?

Moderators are: thisisnotmyfault (tinmf), CrimsonJella, UfoundMi, Starrayne, coberst, plotbe01, thebluesharpie, Killiano92, smartache, and SirNarwhal. We may be looking into adding more Mods at some point.

How do I become a Moderator?

If all the mods agree that you would be a good match for the job. Basically, we're always just keeping an eye out for who might be a good option.

Some people are saying they are AFK but they're still liking everything...

There is a way to make you AutoAwesome everything. It also keeps you active when you are DJing. Here is the link that explains everything on how to do this.

www.pinnacleofdestruction.net/tt/

Wow that AutoAwesome feature is really cool are there any other things like that?

There are a few other google chrome add ons. One is for people outside the US so they can get on to Turntable it's called proxmate. There's also turntable customs which allows you to see custom avatars/laptops. There's another one called Turntable X which is also pretty cool.

Who is Simon?

He is a friend of UFoundMi's that is good with coding that helped us set up SirNarwhal.

Can we have a theme night of some kind?

We would have to have some kind of an agreement of more than five people for that. Basically that is left pretty open. This would probably be limited to an hour or two at a time, which may then be continued by consensus of those in the room.

I have a good idea for the Turntable room but I can never seem to find a moderator...

Any suggestions are welcome! If you never seem to be on at the same time as any of the mods or you just don't feel comfortable bringing it up to us and would rather do it it anonymously we have a suggestion email! Also, if you have any problems with anything that's been happening in the room you can also bring it to our attention this way. Other options do also include contacting us via reddit. RAoAttSuggestions@live.com