

The Tambourinistas



If you caught the Tambourinistas' show at the Trocadero last week, then you know that the three women have a lot of "potential." While they don't always sing in tune, their tambourine playing can border on a religious experience. Funny thing about those tambourines: in reality, they are no more percussion instruments than the Tambourinistas are troubadours. Rather, they're giant ant traps that the women use in their quotidian jobs as Dinklaker Co. Extreme Exterminators. But the lives of vermin hunter-gatherers, you can imagine, rarely evokes a smile or giggle, so the women set out on a mission to change that perception. Hence, the Tambourinistas. Once they find a key they can all agree on and learn to sing more softly, they'll be legitimate competition at the annual American Pest Control Convention's Talent Night next month in Poughkeepsie. So keep your fingers crossed – which is, after all, the only way to deactivate one of those giant ant traps once it's been armed.