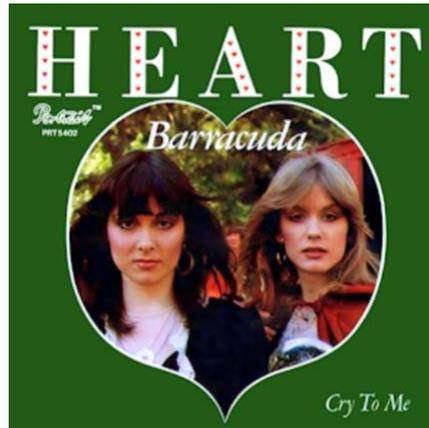


The Angel Band Project

#RockForSurvivors 2020 Air Guitar Challenge

“Barracuda” by Heart



The Angel Band Project approached the rock and roll Hall of Fame band **Heart** to get permission to use their famous song, “Barracuda,” for this air guitar challenge. The song has meaning beyond the obvious fact that it’s a great rock-n-roll song with one of the most iconic guitar riffs ever.

The song first appeared on the band’s second studio album, **Little Queen** (1977), and was released as the album’s lead single. The song peaked at number 11 on the Billboard Hot 100, where it spent 20 weeks. (source [Wikipedia](#).)

According to an article on [songfacts.com](#), “the song was written by Ann And Nancy Wilson, together with guitarist Roger Fisher and drummer Michael DeRosier. According to the band, the song is a statement about the record industry in general. It was written at a time where there was friction between the band and their label. **Little Queen** was the first album Heart released for the CBS-Portrait label. Their old label, **Mushroom Records**, sued the band and in 1978 released Magazine album made up of previously recorded material that Heart did not want released. The Wilson sisters revealed in various interviews that the song was about Heart’s anger towards an ad Mushroom Records placed in trade publications, implying that Ann and Nancy were lesbians having an affair. The song focuses on Ann’s rage towards a promoter who came up to her after a concert in Detroit asking how her “lover” was. She initially thought he was talking about her then-boyfriend – band member Michael Fisher. After the promoter revealed he was talking about her sister Nancy Wilson, Ann became angry and went back to her hotel room to write the song. Nancy put suitably angry music to the words to complete the song, comparing the sleazy side of music to a dangerous fish.”

Purchase the song [here](#).