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About the Author

Eric Bogosian is the OBIE-award winning writer and performer of "Sex, Drugs, Rock & Roll", and "Drinking in America", as well as his plays "Suburbia" and "Talk Radio", both made into major motion pictures.

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