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It was almost all we could hope it would have been, with just a few (albeit major) glitches.

The MTV Music Video Awards were as fresh and invigorating as ever, bringing us not only an irrepressible performance by Madonna, but the joyous reuniting of Susan Dey and David Cassidy.

Cassidy certainly did his part to bring tears to the eyes of the Partridge-faithful worldwide as he crooned the Partridge Family theme song while Dey looked on aghast. A moment of tacky bliss.

Madonna did one of her patented brilliant/shocking performances with a Marie Antoinette twist on her dance hit *Vogue*.

Unfortunately, awards-wise, Queen Madonna was all but shut out by aspiring Hare Krishna Sinead O'Connor. Talk about suffering for your art. We all had to suffer through a million more playings of her screechy *Nothing Compares to You*. Madonna was robbed.

O'Connor aside, the show's biggest groaner had to be the "so hip he's a total dork" host, Arsenio Hall. He was nothing but nauseating at every turn. Give us anyone else next year. Anyone!

Let me put it this way: as an encouragement to the audience, Hall said, "Let's go beyond getting busy tonight! Let's get ignorant!"

Now that *is* an improvement. At least they had the perfect host to set the proper example.