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It's a organ. And it plays music, alright. But it's powered by burning propane. What, you think there's something funny about that? Buddy, this is art. Actually, gas/heat powered organs (pyrophones) aren't really anything new, but Eric Singer and the Madagascar Institute's (a Brooklyn art combine, whatever that is) created a flame-belching, MIDI controlled, MAX/MSP software-enabled hunkahunka burning love (er, music) monster of a pyrophone. See the [video](#) now, before Ozzy (or maybe Mr. Quintron?) buys the thing and all the rights. Man, would those be some wicked solos.



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