PICTURE COVERS – REAL BATS

NORTH & SOUTH AMERICA
In chronological order by country and release dates

ARGENTINA

PC-BTR-AM1  Argentina  2002
CD: MURCIÉLAGOS 3 – MGS
Perf: Murciélagos (Rock)
Label: Street producciones
Photo: (?)
Notes: An unknown bat species flies directly toward the camera. This rock group formed in 1996 in La Plata.
Ref: Murciélagos, Murciélagos 3 CD, Official Site, murcielagos.com.ar
Murciélagos, Bio (in Spanish), murcielagos.com.ar
Murciélagos, Biografia (in Spanish), rock.com.ar

UNITED STATES

PC-BTR-AM2  United States  1972
LP: THE BAT POET
Perf: Randall Jarrell  (Spoken Word – Children’s Fiction)
Label: Caedmon TC 1364
Artist: Maurice Sendak
Notes: A small bat (a little brown bat) can be seen flying in the sky just next to the title “The Bat-Poet.” A lioness and her cub recline in the lower left corner near the bushes and trees. This cover illustration appeared on pages 38-39 of the original book. This illustration, showing a lioness, is a curious anomaly not only in the book but also here on the LP cover. The story does talk about “a big black cat” at one point, but there’s no mention of lions, and the little brown bat’s habitat is clearly somewhere in North America, not in Africa where lions hang out. See under Spoken Word – Children’s Fiction – Bats & Dragons.
Randall Jarrell, The Bat Poet LP, Discogs

PC-BTR-AM3  United States  2003
12” 33 Vinyl & Single CD: BATS!
Perf: The Bronx (Punk – Marginal Rock)
Label: (Both) Tarantulas TR 004
Artist: (Color graphics) Joby J. Ford
Notes: A long-eared bat tinted blue flies toward us. Its face appears to have been censored by a black bar. This same bat motif appears on the 12” 33 vinyl and on the cover and label of the CD single.

Ref: The Bronx, Bats I, 12 inch vinyl, Discogs
The Bronx, Bats I, CD single, Discogs

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