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Here's something I'm surprised we don't see more of: a fully (and truly) independent comedy release. Keith Lowell Jensen is a young (ish) comic from Sacramento, California, who has been performing regionally for a few years and is starting to make a buzz throughout the rest of the USA. He recently participated in a tour with various religious comedians, billing himself as the 'Atheist Comedian', which definitely earns him a bunch of points from me. This DVD (also available as a CD and audio download) features a full one-hour performance at the Sacramento Comedy Spot plus an interview and a trailer for a documentary (of sorts) that features Keith panhandling to try and figure out if the average panhandler is truly down on his luck or merely a scam artist annoying the fuck out of society. His set is pretty good, and definitely has some funny moments. The bits that work best include a story about hanging out with a bunch of pre-

teen boys at a BMX track, a dissertation about the idiocy of so-called Creationists, and a segment about Indian tech support and how it relates to the average intelligence level – in terms of the ability to operate a computer, at least – of Americans. Like most comics who are still trying to find their voices, Keith dovetails off into 'easy' areas like having a young child (boring to those of us who don't) and a few other things that don't quite seem to fit his personality too well. He was too obviously uncomfortable with his own language when discussing sex in a manner that works well for guys like Chris Rock, so it might be best for him to trim the raunchier aspects from his act as time goes on. At any rate, this is a fun and funny DVD that is well worth watching, and it's ensured that I'll be keeping an eye on the listings at the local comedy clubs because I'd like to see Keith's show in person. **The Impaler**

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