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Uptown Magazine (Winnipeg online weekly newspaper) – review:

<http://www.uptownmag.com/music/cd-reviews/Recorded-Live-In-Concert-at-Metropolis-Studios-London-166324556.html>



CD REVIEWS

Bill Nelson & The Gentlemen Rocketeers

Recorded Live In Concert at Metropolis Studios,
London (Convexe/Union Square)

OUR RATING: ★★★★★

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Guitarist/songwriter Bill Nelson became something of a rock star back in the 1970s as the leader of psychedelic glam band *Bebop Deluxe*. Nelson tired of the fame, went solo and pretty much never bothered the charts again, at least in North America. Like something of a rising Phoenix, Nelson and his new band reappeared to record this sprawling set and it's worth a listen. At two CDs and a DVD the set is lengthy, but with a full slate of *Bebop* hits and Nelson solo wonders it is a treat worth settling in for. The DVD is logically shot (hands on instruments and such) and there's even an interview with the reclusive Nelson that sheds some light on his weird and wonderful past. A positive must for fans of old and a pure delight for guitar worshippers everywhere.

The Province (Vancouver daily newspaper) – review:

<http://www.theprovince.com/search/Quickspins/7050505/story.html>

The Province It starts here.

Bill Nelson and the Gentelman Rocketeers: Recorded Live In Concert At Metropolis Studios (Convexe)

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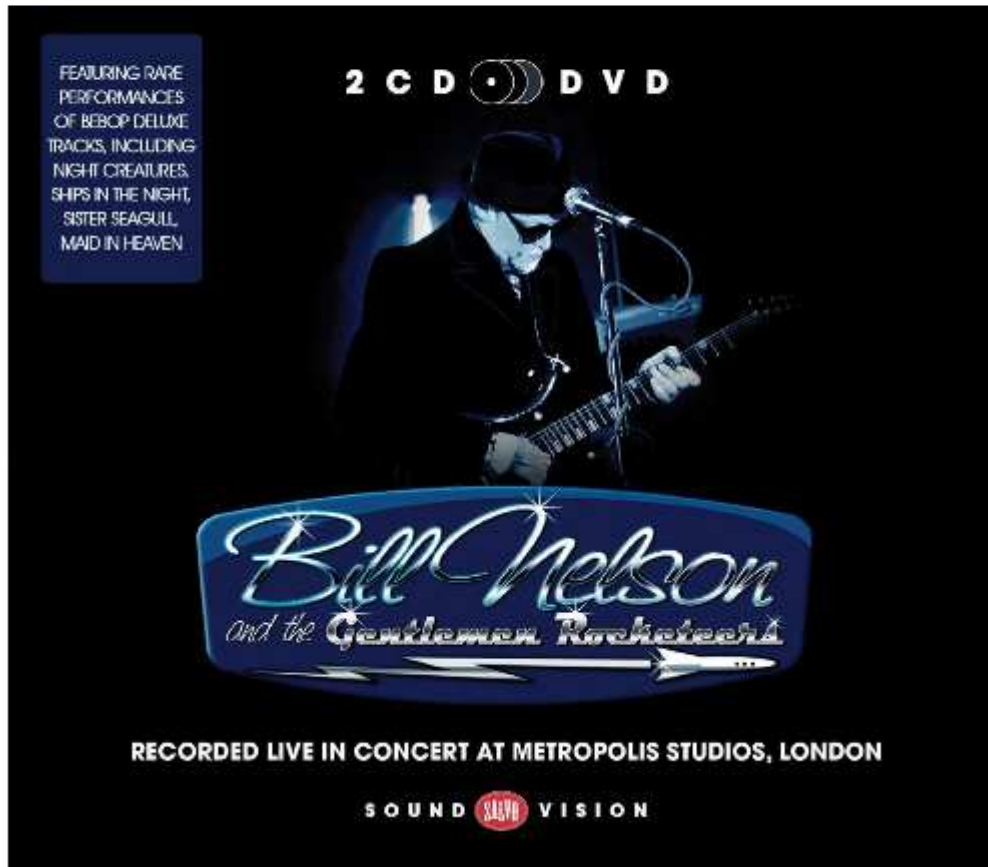
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Posted by:
Tom
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Two CDs from a forgotten almost-great. Forgotten in North America, anyway. Nelson almost cracked N.A. with his Be Bop Deluxe but since that band dissolved about 30 years ago, he's gone several directions mainly as a soloist (and an increasingly private one at that). In the last two years, Nelson has become more public, reflected by this studio recording of a live set that spans his career as a potent, impressive electric guitarist. Be Bop could be coldly arty (which might have been its undoing) but this is more primal.

Grade: B

Sun Media (major Canadian newspaper chain) – review published in a number of Sun papers and on affiliated websites nationally:

Toronto Sun: <http://www.torontosun.com/2012/07/16/frank-ocean-doa-top-cd-reviews>

Edmonton Sun: <http://www.edmontonsun.com/2012/07/16/frank-ocean-doa-top-cd-reviews>

Winnipeg Sun: <http://www.winnipegsun.com/2012/07/16/frank-ocean-doa-top-cd-reviews>

Jam! Showbiz: <http://jam.canoe.ca/Music/2012/07/16/19991466.html>



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Ocean, Gaslight top CD reviews



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Bill Nelson & The Gentlemen Rocketeers

**Live in Concert at
Metropolis Studios, London**

Art-Rock

★★★★

If you know who Bill Nelson is, you must be a Be-Bop Deluxe fan. And if you're a Be-Bop Deluxe fan, you must know how special this is: More than 100 minutes of live footage from the prolific but redusive singer-guitarist, recorded in a tiny London studio in 2001 and featuring a career-spanning set list anchored by highlights from his legendary 70s prog-rock outfit. Get it while you can.

JeffreyMorgan.info (music blog) – review: <http://www.jeffreymorgan.info/>

Sunday, July 22, 2012

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SIZZLING PLATTER OF THE WEEK: Bill Nelson And The Gentlemen

Rocketeers – *Recorded Live In Concert At Metropolis Studios, London* (Convexe)

:: Some would tell you that the music business is dead and buried in a pauper's grave somewhere, but I'm here to tell ya *it ain't necessarily so* 'cause Convexe Records is here to save the day with a new series of high-end; primo packaged; double audio and single video disc sets which'll make you a true believer once again!

First up to the plate to blast one outta the park is none other than Mr. Magnetism Himself, everybody's favorite futurist, that supersonic scourge of the airwaves, Bill "Mr. Deluxe" Nelson. The last time I spoke with Bill was during Be-Bop Deluxe's final *Drastic Plastic* tour, wherein he confided to me that what he *really* wanted to do next was ditch the big arenas; put a speaker cabinet on some faraway beach; and then record the sound as the incoming waves deconstructed it. Eventually that plan evolved into Red Noise and the more aurally astute *Sound-On-Sound* album, which subsequently led to literally dozens of other electro-ambient air age adventures.

Now Bill is back with this new three disc set of modern music performed in Metropolis—seen the cover to *Live! In The Air Age* recently?—that clocks in at 95 minutes on the auditory scale and weighs in at a respectable 110 on the visual meter. It's an eclectic eighteen track time trip that spans his days as a deluxe be-bopper ("Ships In The Night" and "Panic In The World") to his solo spasms ("Do You Dream In Color" and "Furniture Music").

But listening to tracks like "Sister Seagull" and "Adventures In A Yorkshire Landscape" is only part of the package; to get the *full* futurama effect, you have to fire up the video and *watch* Bill work his axe victim magic 'cause his voice is as distinctively strong as ever and he can *still* play a guitar just like a rocket blasting off.

SCENE Magazine (London bi-weekly newspaper) – review:

<http://scenemagazine.com/portals/0/pdf/web671.pdf>



SCENE

BILL NELSON • LIVE AT METROPOLIS STUDIOS (UNIVERSAL)

Bill Nelson is one of the premiere cult figures in the UK music scene of the last 40 years, having gained international fame fronting his prog-rock quartet Be Bop Deluxe in the mid-Seventies and then shedding his skin to become one of the first champions of the electronic music trend in British rock. After issuing an impressive catalogue of solo records (many are now collector's items), Nelson came out of his Yorkshire hideaway/lab to play this rare live show at London, England's Metropolis Studios for an adoring audience. The tracks range from the early days of his career to the present day and include his beautiful instrumental tribute to late Big Country frontman Stuart Adamson. Filmed in HD and recorded in theatre-quality DTS sound. Recommended. – Rod Nicholson A



Tandem and Corriere Canadese newspapers (Tandem is the weekend edition of Corriere Canadese, an Italian-language daily newspaper. Tandem, which is published in English, contains lifestyle and entertainment options for Canadian Italians) – review in July 7 and 8 editions (text below):

Bill Nelson & The Gentlemen Rocketeers

Recorded Live in Concert At Metropolis Studios, London Conveyor Canada/Universal

'70s guitar hero Bill Nelson returned to tunes he hadn't played in over three decades for this special live set in an intimate concert series from such notable dad rockers as Van Der Graaf Generator, The Zombies and Roy Harper. Nelson is looking older and greyer but his voice is still vital and his guitar playing just as superb as the days when his band Be Bop Deluxe were popular art rockers and played venues such as Maple Leaf Gardens. Nelson and a six-piece band play a fun career retrospective that returns life to seven Be Bop tunes that anticipated the new wave '80s, as well two classics by his second group Red Noise, which was an even more important step towards his electronic solo work. Now available as an affordable Canadian edition, this recording was partly a way to regain copyright to material he wrote and co-produced but was never paid for by EMI's Harvest imprint, so Bill Nelson fans are urged to support his legacy by purchasing this fine CD+DVD release.

Popyouularity (entertainment news website) – news item:

<http://popyouularity.com/blog/?p=42777>

Live At Metropolis Studios – The Zombies, Bill Nelson, Van Der Graaf Generator

By [popularity](#) • Jun 21st, 2012 • Category: [Daily Dish](#)

Convexe Entertainment Announces Summer 2012 Release Of Live At Metropolis Studios, London Series On CD / DVD

Featuring intimate concerts from Van Der Graaf [Generator](#), The Zombies, Bill Nelson, John Lees' Barclay James Harvest, Caravan, and Roy Harper

Recorded in 2010/2011 at Metropolis Studios in London, England

Filmed in HD, Recorded in 5.1 [Surround Sound](#)

Convexe Entertainment is excited to announce the upcoming release of Live At Metropolis Studios, London, a series of 6 concerts recorded in 2010/2011 at the famed Metropolis Studios in West London, featuring Van Der Graaf Generator, The Zombies, Bill Nelson, John Lees' Barclay James Harvest, Caravan, and Roy Harper.

Each of these legendary acts performed in front of a small audience in a unique and ambient setting, resulting in a spectacular [collection of](#) concerts filmed in HD and recorded in 5.1 Surround Sound. Each concert in the series will be released on CD/DVD* in summer 2012.

(*Due to extended running times, the Bill Nelson & Van Der Graaf Generator releases will include two CDs.)

The first three concerts in the series will be released on August 7, featuring Van Der Graaf Generator, The Zombies, and Bill Nelson.

The second installment, featuring Caravan, John Lees' Barclay James Harvest, and Roy Harper, is slated for Fall 2012 release.

August 7

Van Der Graaf Generator / 2-CD & DVD

Alongside King Crimson, Van Der Graaf Generator was one of the greatest progressive rock acts of the late '60s and '70s. In December 2010, the original 3 member lineup of Peter Hammill, Hugh Banton and Guy Evans made an extremely rare UK appearance at Metropolis Studios, performing to an ecstatic crowd in an intimate atmosphere. Fractured time signatures, Hammill's fervent and occasionally terrifying vocals, the complexity of the band's music, the inscrutability of their lyrics...it all adds up to a unique and inimitable performance. The DVD includes revealing interviews with all three band members.

Set List: Interference Patterns / Nutter Alert / Your Time Starts Now / Lemmings / Lifetime / Bunsho / Childlike Faith / Mr. Sands / Over The Hill / We Are Not Here / Man-Erg

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The Zombies / CD & DVD

Since their formation in the '60s, The Zombies have not only enjoyed UK Top 10 and U.S. Top 5 Hits, but have grown to a cult status, with [contemporary artists](#) like Paul Weller and Dave Grohl naming them for favourite/influential albums and songs. In January 2011, The Zombies performed a superb set to 120 enraptured guests packed into Metropolis Studios. Led by founding members Colin Blunstone and Rod Argent, the group performed a veritable 'Best Of' the Zombies. Blunstone's unique voice dazzled for the concert, which included classics like She's Not There and Time Of The Season, as well as individual Argent/Blunstone hits like What Becomes Of The Broken Hearted, Hold Your Head Up, Say You Don't Mind and I Don't Believe In Miracles. Blunstone and Argent are interviewed on the DVD, which also includes footage of the band reception after the show.

Set List: I Love You / Can't Nobody Love You / Mystified / What Becomes Of The Broken Hearted / Any Other Way / A [Rose](#) For Emily / Care Of Cell 44 / This Will Be Our Year / Beechwood Park / I Want Her, She Wants Me / Time Of The Season / Whenever You're Ready / Tell Her No / I Do Believe / Say You Don't Mind / Hold Your Head Up / I Don't Believe In Miracles / She's Not There / Summertime

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Bill Nelson / 2-CD & DVD

Almost exclusively a studio artist (over 80 albums/mini albums since the early '70s), an acknowledged creative genius, and one of the revered rock guitar experimentalists, Bill Nelson has collaborated with David Sylvian, Yellow Magic Orchestra and been the driving force behind Be Bop Deluxe, and Red Noise. At the end of March 2011, Bill Nelson and the Gentlemen Rocketeers, along with one hundred plus guests, populated Studio A at Metropolis for a rare one-off concert. Wielding an array of gorgeous-looking guitars, Nelson and his cohorts treated those [present](#) to a dynamite concert reminiscent of the Marquee club in its heyday. Performing a number of rarely heard BeBop Deluxe numbers, this blistering fourteen song set from the band, which covers much of Nelson's career to date, is a feast for Nelsonophiles (not to mention [electric guitar](#) fetishists). DVD extras include an [interview](#) with Nelson and a sublime four track solo set.

Set List: The October Man / Night Creatures / God Man Slain / Contemplation / Lady You're A Strange Girl / Adventures In A Yorkshire [Landscape](#) / [Furniture](#) Music / Do You Dream In Colour / Ships In The Night / Lovers Are Mortal / Maid In Heaven / Sister Seagull / Wonder Of The Moment / Panic In The World / Beyond These [Clouds](#) / The Sweetest Dream / Golden Dream Of Circus Horses / A Dream For Jan / For Stuart

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Fall 2012

Caravan / CD & DVD

Canterbury's finest, Caravan reformed especially for this December 2010 concert at Metropolis' Studio A, delivering an electric performance which included many favourites from their 25 album, 40+ year career. The DVD includes interviews with the band and audience members, and captures the magic of that historic night.

Set List: Memory Lain, Hugh / Headloss / And I Wish I Were Stoned / Golf Girl / Smoking Gun (Right For Me) / The Unfinished Breakfast Item / Nightmare / Hello Hello / Give Me More / Fingers In The Till / I'm On My Way / Nine Feet Underground

John Lees' Barclay James Harvest / CD & DVD

One of Europe's most legendary progressive rock bands, John Lees' Barclay James Harvest gave an epic performance at Metropolis Studios in December 2010 in front of 120 fans, with no one in the room standing more than ten feet away from a band that has played to hundreds of thousands. The band performed classics like Child Of The Universe, Mocking Bird, Poor Man's Moody Blues, The Poet/After The Day, Hymn and Medicine Man. The DVD includes a rare interview with founding member John Lees.

Set List: Nova Lepidoptera / Child Of The Universe / Poor Wages / Mocking Bird / Summer Soldier / Poor Man's Moody Blues / Ursula / Ancient Waves / Medicine Man / The Poet/After The Day / Hymn

Roy Harper / CD & DVD

One of the UK's foremost singer-songwriter-guitarists, Roy Harper mesmerized 120 guests in April 2011 at London's Metropolis Studios. His breathtaking performance and an absorbing interview that he gave afterwards are all captured on this release. Hailed by Pink Floyd and Led Zeppelin, beloved by fans after nearly half a century of performance, it would not be unreasonable to [apply](#) the term "legendary" to Roy Harper. For this special concert, he performed songs spanning his entire recording career. There are very few live performances by Roy Harper available on DVD (+CD), and none as captivating as this.

Set List: One Man Rock And Roll Band / Twelve Hours Of Sunset / Don't You Grieve / Another Day / Pinches Of Salt / Highway Blues / Commune / Hallucinating Light / Frozen Moment / The Green Man / Me And My Woman / When An Old Cricketer Leaves The Crease

The Live At Metropolis Studios, London series is a truly unique collection of releases, capturing some legendary acts in an intimate setting delivering some unforgettable performances. A must-have for fans of progressive rock!

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Radio-Canada – all releases added to library

OTHER OUTREACH

Mississauga Business Times – reviews upcoming

CJAM FM "Orbis Terrarvm/"The Purple Room" – spins upcoming

BCLiving.ca – tried to fit in reviews, but no space

CHOM-FM

ICI Week-end

MSN.ca

SKUNK Magazine – not able to fit in a review

Zoomer Magazine – considering reviews for website

National Post – declined

Nightlife Magazine – declined

(TED by) Quebec Audio & Video Magazine

24 Heures Montreal

BeatRoute Magazine

Brave Words & Bloody Knuckles

Calgary Herald

CAMUZ

CBC Montreal

CBC Radio

Echos Vedettes

Exclaim! Magazine

FFWD Weekly

Georgia Straight

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