

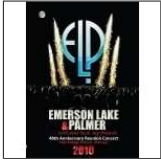


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Emerson, Lake & Palmer - 40th Anniversary Reunion Concert
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9 albums, 2 breakups and over 40 million albums later, ELP's Anniversary concert for those who are fans will NOT disappoint, as I'm sure the ELP fans have been followers all their rockin' lives..

Emerson, Lake and Palmer have come to us in the form of their 40th Anniversary concert, in which they headlined at High Voltage Festival in London last July.



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Who are Emerson, Lake and Palmer? they're three men in their 60's, part of a 'progressive rock' group who were hugely and most well known for their success in the 1970s.

ELP's sound is an acquired one or one you've grown up with. Their sound is what old rock sounds like, it's what a drum solo is, and drummer *Carl Palmer* pulls the faces that a drummer should pull.

The long and very stretched out set is more like a massive jamming session. The vast number of people standing deadly still in the crowd is either because live ELP are amazingly paralysing or numbingly sleepy-eyed inducing. 40 minutes into the set and the mere sight of a few sparks coming out of *Keith Emerson's* instrument seems to wake up a few in the crowd.

You've got Emerson jamming on the keyboard with his crazy moving hands to a melody that never seems to match the bass or the drums. I find it hard to believe no one's fallen asleep whilst ever witnessing ELP live (god help them if they were standing up).

They've had criticism over the years for being pretentious, and after this DVD, I'm half obliged to agree.

The set was beautiful and the lighting was probably more exciting than watching Emerson's facial expressions as he played a lengthy keyboard solo – how on earth they manage to remember every note I don't know.

Emerson, Lake and Palmer have fans and a massive fan base it's apparent, most of who are about as old as the band themselves.

Clearly talented at their crafts, ELP will be appreciated, but just not here.

<http://www.emersonlakepalmer.com/>

Lucy Goodwin

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