



Dinosaur Jr

Bug - Live at 9.30 Club: In the Hands of the Fans (Wienerworld)

Much like the recent Iggy Pop show ([more here](#)), an online contest led to six fans being selected to film Dinosaur Jr. performing, what many consider to be their finest album, *Bug*, in its entirety at the 9:30 Club in Washington DC on June 2011 and also to interview the band. Now anyone with previous knowledge of Dinosaur Jr.'s reputation will already be aware that not only did they originally implode acrimoniously not long after this album was released but also that front man J Mascis is a notoriously unforthcoming interviewee and both of these facts certainly inform at least part of the interview section (cue embarrassed silences and mumbled half answers), however that only serves to make this even more entertaining, as does an appearance by long time fan Henry Rollins. The show? Ah well

that's a blast and whilst the guys are a little (or in J's case a lot) greyer they're no less committed to the humungous racket they all make and on several occasions the sheer overload the three men create teeters on the brink of disaster (fans of later material often find *Bug* rather abrasive), but it never topples over the edge making this a must have for fans.

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