

# "In Concert" DVD review: New York Dolls: Lookin' Fine On Television



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The hybrid of punk and glam...

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Video: New York Dolls

Rating for New York Dolls: Lookin' Fine On Television:

With some bands; getting to go "In Concert" isn't necessarily as interesting as seeing archival footage from their heyday and what they used to be. On this edition of the "In Concert" DVD review we take a look back at one of the most memorable bands on the punk scene that bridged the gap between punk and glam rock. It's time for the "New York Dolls: Lookin' Fine On Television".

This is the legendary and infamous New York Dolls at their best! Amazing rare live clips and interviews filmed by Bob Gruen and Nadya Beck in the heady days of the band's ascension in the 70s. This DVD includes footage from early shows in NYC all the way to the TV studios, clubs and swimming pools of Los Angeles. Even though all the footage was shot in black and white film rarely has it been so colorful! Energetic versions of songs like "Personality Crisis," "Who Are the Mystery Girls?" "Babylon" and many more are included. See the incredible early days of the band that influenced generations of punks and rockers.

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From a historical standpoint; the archival interviews and concert footage give a unique perspective on the place that this band has in Rock & Roll history. The concert footage was a little worn to say the least, but the audio was immaculate and the band's frenetic energy came through with every song that they performed. With the archival interviews in-between each song we see that the New York Dolls were the band that bridged the gap between the punk movement of the 70's and the glam rock and new wave movements that took hold in the

80's with their unique sounds and styles. All in all it's an interesting time capsule and a great look at what this band was all about.

The extras on this disc include an ultra rare interview from 1976 with David Johansen and Johnny Thunders.

For fans of the band; "New York Dolls: Lookin' Fine On Television" is a great look at the band in their prime, and for anyone looking for an introduction to the band it is a great primer that could have a lot of music fans trying to learn more about the New York Dolls.

4 out of 5 stars.

"New York Dolls: Lookin' Fine On Television" is available at record and video stores across Toronto; click [here](#) and [here](#) for a list of some of the finer stores near you. However if this really does spike your interest, I'd recommend ordering it from an online retailer like [seeofsound.com](#).

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