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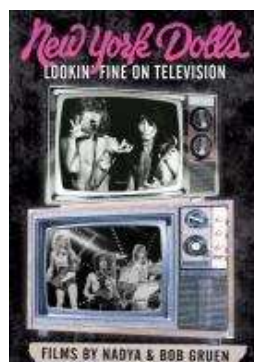
New York Dolls - Lookin' Fine



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New York Dolls Lookin' Fine On Television (MVD)

When The New York Dolls burst onto the scene back in the early seventies, the closest I could get to the action was in the pages of *Rock Scene* magazine or possibly a rare spot on one of the late night music shows like *In Concert*. There was no doubt that the Dolls were innovators who inspired everyone from KISS on down the line. They were early punk pioneers and among the first glam rockers.

There is a real shortage of film and video of these cats, so this 70-minute collection of grainy black and white footage will still be welcomed with open arms by the die hard Dolls fans. At first I thought it to be a documentary, but the fact is it is a whole concert with clips of band interviews sprinkled throughout. The interview footage is pretty bland to be honest. Still, it *is* an historic document. A snapshot in time of one crucial rock band.

Most of the footage was shot by noted rock photographer Bob Gruen and his wife Nadya. The video is raw and distant, but the sound on the concert footage is loud and clear. Johnny Thunders rocks the guitar behind David Johansen's Jagger-esque vocals, while bassist Arthur "Killer" Kane and drummer Billy Murcia keep the back beat on all the Dolls best tunes from "Personality Crisis" to "Trash."

There's one pretty nifty bonus feature. Lisa Robinson conducts an interview outside of CBGBs in 1976 with David Johansen and Johnny Thunders. Terrible lighting, but very interesting material for any fan.



Lookin' Good On Television is by no means a ground breaking DVD, but it rocks. The sound is awesome. The video, not so much. The fans will love it.



Track Listing

- Jet Boy
- Personality Crisis
- Bad Girl
- Human Being
- Bad Detective
- Subway Train
- Trash
- Vietnamese Baby
- Lookin' For A Kiss
- Who Are The Mystery Girls
- Private World
- Babylon
- Frankenstein
- Chatterbox
- Jet Boy

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