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## Stryper Live in Indonesia At The Java Rockland DVD Review

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In high school I admit I was a major hair heavy metal fan who loved to mix Stryper in with my daily playlists (well, mixtapes at the time) of Dio, Def Leppard and Iron Maiden. I wore out my cassette of Soldiers Under Command during my junior year and still have a Stryper playlist on Spotify.

I was a little curious as to how the group would sound today so I was very eager to check out this video from an Indonesia concert in 2010. Michael Sweet is still on lead vocals and guitar and the only difference is he

doesn't quite hit that high note at the end of To Hell With The Devil. Brother Robert still sounds great on drums and Oz Fox and Tim Gaines round out with guitar and bass respectively. The band still sports the trademark yellow and black but have traded the spandex for some more contemporary threads.

They kick things off with the crowd engaging sing along song before launching into their newer track Murder By Pride. The thing I liked about this set is that they balance between newer music and the 80s favorites. Songs like Calling On You, The Way, To Hell With The Devil and even the ballad Honestly were my favorite tracks, probably for mainly nostalgic reasons. Michael Sweet's voice has gone down an octave or two but he still delivers powerful vocals and the whole band really puts on an energetic show.

I found myself going back and relistening to a few tracks after sitting through the full 68 minute show. I like that the release includes a selectable playlist that allows the viewer to jump to the tracks they want to hear. I have done this a few times as music while working at the computer this week.



With a good setlist that mixes newer tracks with their greatest hits, Stryper proves they still have the chops to put on a solid live performance. All the original band members are here and while their outfits might be toned down a bit, their energy has not. I recommend this for everyone who enjoys a good solid rock anthem.

Recommended

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