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Living Colour

Cbgb Omfug Masters: August 19 2005 the Bowery Collection (LIVE)

Living Colour is a revolutionary band of four African American guys with an affinity for their music and a heightened social and political agenda. Vocalist Corey Glover, bassist Muzz Skillings, guitarist Vernon Reid, and drummer Will Calhoun know how to make great music together.

Getting their start in the 80s their music was politically conscious before it was even cool, so it is only fitting that they make their come back now, when the world is so full of political clout.

The release of their latest album *Live August 19, 2005 at CBGB* couldn't have been better timed. Almost every song on the album is political and you can't help but see the modern parallels between their lyrics and what's going on in the world today.

It's an album that you can listen to from beginning to end with each song forcing you to pay close attention to the lyrics and its intent. But if you're expecting subtlety Living Colour is not, they are extremely blunt. A line in the song "Terrorism" goes as far to describe George Bush as a terrorist.

The song "Open Letter to Landlord" is a perfect display of the talent and range of Living Colour. The song is powerful and is bound to give you goose bumps. You can feel the pain in Glover's voice as he sings and you can't help but be reminded of black churches during the Civil Rights movement.

Living Colour's ability to capture the spirit of a generation in their songs is a huge part of their success. Music is one of the greatest ways in which we can express ourselves and is it is great to hear such wonderful musicians express themselves so well.

★★★★★

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