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# Punk is very much alive

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DVD documents the rise of the music genre



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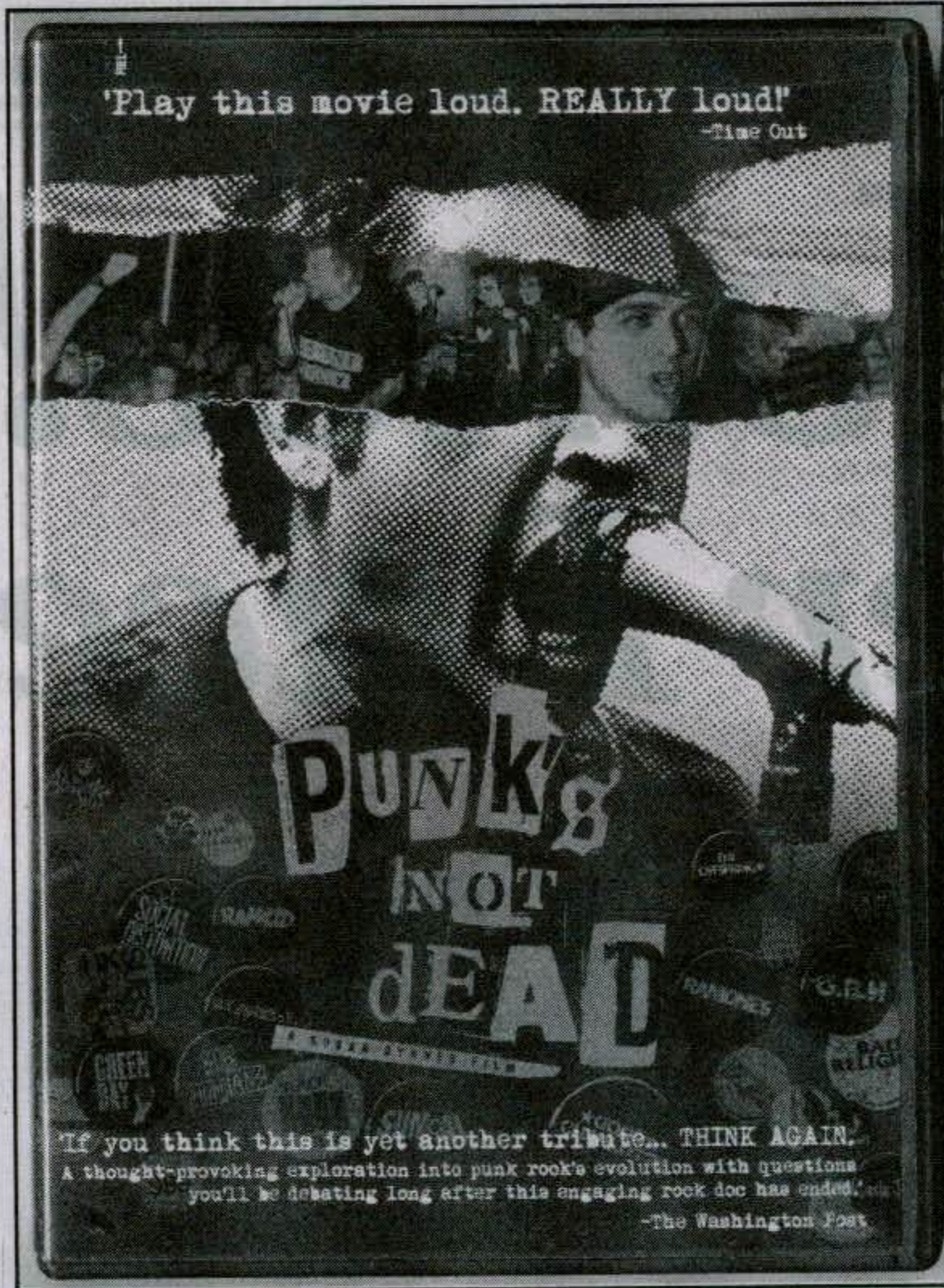
If you thought punk rock died with The Ramones and The Clash, think again.

Punk's Not Dead (MVD Visual) proves the genre, best remembered for blue hair and slam dancing (pre-mosh pits), is very much alive, revered and worshipped.

Directed by Susan Dynner, who has been filming punk bands for more than 30 years, takes you way back in punk time to the beginning, with interviews from members of late great bands like the Sex Pistols to bands who are still performing after all these years like The Adicts.

It's kind of scary to see punk band members who had to shave their heads to achieve a bald look 25 years ago, now achieve that same look quite naturally.

But that isn't the point of this unrated disc that is a tribute not so much to an era that has gone by, but still very much lives on in bands including Green Day, Good Charlotte, The Offspring and My Chemical Romance, all featured here.



The band features lots of live performances, in abbreviated form of course, including Bad Religion, Black Flag, The Ramones, Rancid, Stiff Little Fingers, Social Distortion, Pennywise and The Damned. But it is the interviews that capture both the spirit of the genre and why punk, with its middle finger still wagging in the face of authority, that makes it relevant today.

Dynner, who captured the

experience first hand in the Washington D.C. punk scene of the 1980s, ends this quite nicely with the state of punk today with snippets of music and interviews from bands who submitted material on the Web. It shows punk is very much alive with bands from such non-punk places as Serbia, Russia and Israel represented.

The DVD version of the disc features another two hours of extras including more interviews and behind the scenes content.

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