

'Punk's Not Dead'

■ More than a decade ago, punk rock smashed onto the mainstream music scene. Records from Green Day, The Offspring and Rancid were flying off the shelves. Little did many of their newbie fans know, these bands are descendents of a music movement that originated in the 1970s. "Punk's Not Dead,"



directed by Susan Dynner, intelligently covers the music of mohawks and Dr. Martens. Dynner squeezes an interesting and sometimes embattled history into 93 minutes of interviews, concert footage and some unusual animation. The viewer travels through the underground clubs all the way up to the huge venues being played today by the likes of Sum 41 and My Chemical Romance. The documentary intelligently explores the evolution of a misunderstood art that's been entertaining kids and adults for more than 30 years. The fun continues onto the extras portion of the DVD, with two hours of special features. More interviews, deleted scenes, behind-the-scenes footage and featurettes are included. Additionally, the extras explore even more of the history behind the music. Unrated, 2007. ★★★

Rent It: A good documentary to stage dive into. — GC