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Music DVD/CD Review: Alter Bridge, Voivod, Pagan Metal, Marillion, and W.A.S.P.

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As my pile of review DVDs persist, I thought it might be apt to do another collection for your giving needs. I am sure there is something in this lot to satisfy any hard rocker in your life.

Voivod: *Tatsumaki*

This is a celebration of the early albums from the band in tribute to Piggy. Piggy died having his wish to play Japan unfulfilled; this gig is to make up for that. Interestingly, sometime Voivod bassist Jason Newsted, is not on hand, instead their original bassist Away has resumed his role. The gig was filmed in Japan in 2009 to a packed club of enthusiastic Voivod fans.

For a change there is some useful extras including an interesting interview with Dave Grohl about his love for the band. Dave worked with Away on his Probot project and has been a long time fan of the band. There are three tracks recorded live in Quebec this year to round out the bonus bits. Not that you really need anything else besides the original gig. Voivod can still deliver some uber-clever, heavy music that is as much King Crimson as it is Venom.

If you are a Voivod fan you will no doubt want this release. The sound is great, the band is on top form and the camera work is apt. This Voivod release is just what you would expect from such a quality band. They may be a bit of muso/metal trainspotter in-the-know band, but there is a reason they are so beloved. Check out this DVD and get a bit of a taste of why that is the case.