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Shadow Project

And Then There Was Death (DVD)

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MVD brings us yet another tremendously interesting DVD for fans of goth and death rock. For those who don't already know, Rozz Williams and Eva O. were the "first family" of goth, setting the stage for the goth industry that exists today with bands like Christian Death, Shadow Project, Super Heroines, as Eva O.'s solo work. The day Rozz Williams took his life is the day goth lost its heart in my book.

This DVD is a wonderful treat for fans of goth and Rozz and Eva O. If you are unfamiliar with the music or its history, I recommend picking up some music first- their story (which can be pieced together with a little work) is tremendously intriguing. Shadow Project was a bit more raw and not quite as over the top as Christian Death would be but is a familiar predecessor in many ways. "And Then There was Death" appears to be mainly compiled from public access show footage and probably some home video. It's very low budget looking but that was probably to be expected. It includes songs recorded live all over the place as well as some "lost" interview footage, etc.

Fans will really dig this because it gives a lot of insight and offers a chance to see the band live, because most of us never had the opportunity. This was a magic moment in history that few realized was so important. I'm not sure that anyone who is not a fan or already familiar will like this but to those of us "in the know" it's a pleasant and perhaps bittersweet surprise.

Key Tracks: n/a

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