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## Jasmine St. Claire Interview with PunkTV.ca in support of her new DVD series, Metal

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**Jasmine St. Claire Interview with PunkTV.ca in support of her new DVD series, Metal's Darkside. by Dixon Christie**

**PunkTV.ca: We are here with Jasmine St. Claire, thanks a lot to agree to be with us today.**

Jasmine: Thanks for having me, Dixon.

**PunkTV.ca: You're welcome, where are you right now?**

Jasmine: Right now I am in Marina Delray in California is actually where I live.

**PunkTV.ca: Nice.**

Jasmine: Its pretty cold today, I've had a pretty long weekend.

**PunkTV.ca: Do you work as hard as I think you probably do, you working day and night on this new Metal's Darkside?**

Jasmine: Day and night is not even really the way it is, its like even in my sleep its like I just never ever stop coming up with ideas. I work on the DVD quite a bit and the on the interviews and I also work on the website a lot of the time cause I do a lot

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of online interview there shoot photo contacts, right now we are kinda having a few issues with the photo gallery so we are trying to fix that blah blah blah, then of course it the midst of all this I have to find time for my social life, like I just attended the big red carpet party for Draven and Coffin Case the other night it was had free alcohol, free food, way too much Jager but it was okay you know it was cool, there was just a lot of cool people there

**PunkTV.ca: Did Draven make a pair of shoes for you?**

Jasmine: I have got so many shoes...

**PunkTV.ca: I am going to have to hit him up because I'm on interviews all the time and I figure I should be getting free shoes from Draven 'cause I love their product too...**

Jasmine: I wear their stuff all the time its actually really cool!

**PunkTV.ca: Great shoes, very comfortable. There's a guy down in the states called Kool Kickers.**

Jasmine: What's his name?

**PunkTV.ca: George from Kool Kickers.**

Jasmine: No.

**PunkTV.ca: They are another company small compared to Draven but he's got a good company and they make good shoes as well. Lot of metal bands get their shoes, I know they did GWAR and the did D.R.I. and a bunch of bands like that.**

Jasmine: Really? They should be giving me shoes.

**PunkTV.ca: I'll give him your contact information, I'm sure he will. First of all can you tell the kids what Metals Darkside is?**

Jasmine: Sure absolutely! Metals Darkside is a DVD that comes out every other month through MBD distribution and it has a lot of uncensored interviews. Most of my interviews are just really organic, I don't really have you know someone holding up cue cards of my questions I don't have that luxury and its basically a lot of the band interviews are bands we all like, like Cannibal Corpse, Suffocation, Lamb of God and In Flames and we have some music videos uncensored. And then there is my favorite part which is Jasmine's asylum which is basically like a whole Q & A thing where fans write in and ask me questions. Its cool and I really like it and I host a heavy metal show as well called the Metal Scene TV Show. I'm just doing any and everything metal. And a lot of people question where my heart is and its in the right place I'm not one of these bimbos that goes into this just for the fame or to be cool or to meet people. This is what I like, you know I did meet my husband this way but



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that was just one of those weird things, and that not why I got into this. I always like to take different sides when I interview. I interview everyone quite a bit differently, I would sure as hell not interview.... well like when I interviewed Emperor I didn't interview them the same way I interviewed Suffocation it's two separate personalities, but it was really good I really do have a lot of fun with this and its been so great and I feel really privileged to do this.

**PunkTV.ca: I think the people should know you're not in it for the money or anything because you wouldn't be interviewing Suffocation if you were, they dont get rich from the music.**

Jasmine: I love those guys, you know Cannibal Copse is one of my favorite bands and I was so nervous and it was one of like only three times I was nervous, also when I interviewed Emperor and uhhmm... Opeth!

**PunkTV.ca: Opeth for sure, I got to interview Cannibal Corpse on the bus. Alex Webster gave me about 30 or 40 minutes of his time. Wicked people!**

Jasmine: Wicked cool, eh? I interviewed George Fisher, that's when I did it. It's really fun, it's not really lots of money but it's all about the love for the business and the music, and this is always what I really loved. I grew up listening to bands like Maiden, Black Sabbath, Cannibal Corpse, I love Suffocation, when the whole New York death metal thing was coming around, that's when I really got into it more, and I've always liked this music, how could you not. I love what its about, I love the people cause they are just not like these asshole arrogant rock stars that get up into the billboards, with the exception of Lamb of God of course, they get up there and think their shit doesn't t stink cause they sell so many records. I was so happy to hear Lamb of God was in the billboard charts, that is amazing and you know they deserve it

**PunkTV.ca: It's a wicked album.**

Jasmine: Yeah I like Redneck that's like my favorite song.

**PunkTV.ca: Did you see the video?**

Jasmine: Of course I did, I had another twist on it I said it should have a nice BBQ or a bunch of Lamb of God fans come like bum rushing through the party. That would have been fun.

**PunkTV.ca: (Laughter) You should have been in that video Jasmine!**

Jasmine: Eh? No, that's okay I'll pass.

**PunkTV.ca: No music videos for you?**

Jasmine: Well I did a couple of music videos, I did one, well I'm kinda embarrassed but I will tell you who it is for, it's for this band "Metal Skool". They are pretty big in



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LA, and I did this music video for them called "Fat Chicks" and its really kind of a spin off of a good ol' video, it's my favorite one with White Snake, David with Tommy on the Jaguar but I didn't have that part. They gave that to an oversized guy dressed up as a chick. So the I did a video for the Icarus Witch called "Capture the Magic" but I totally want to do some more music videos, I'll just take what I think is cool.

**PunkTV.ca: Was your husband in a band, is he your manager as well?**

Jasmine: No, my husband used to play guitar in a band called Himsa.

**PunkTV.ca: Himsa, thats right. So where did this idea for the show come from and how have your fans been reacting to it?**

Jasmine: Alright you are always going to get the mixed reactions from the people, and that okay I expect it. The idea came up when I hosted a documentary for Cleopatra records called "Hollywood Rocks" and that was a documentary you get in a box set. If you are not familiar with it, it is from Paramount. Of course I know a lot about hair metal as well cause I like that, I think we all like it deep down somewhere. And I did that documentary, then I wanted to do something more extreme with bands that people really like today and they asked me if I would be interested and said "fuck ya! Definitely". So that was a mother fucking invitation. Everything has just been going good, I have branched of a little doing the web show and I am going to start doing a radio show off of that as well and just expanding on it. Just anything about metal is what I'm all about.

**PunkTV.ca: There might be a satellite radio show starring Jasmine St. Claire coming up?**

Jasmine: You know I would like to do that but right now I'm just going to do it off of the site I have looked at them last year they never really got back to me and they had something really small. It's okay I went on that alexa.com website you just told me to go to and I have a really big number of reviewers, I have a huge subscription list and I'm going to start running contests off of there, and do giveaways. I model for Coffin Case so we will be giving away some Coffin Case' shirts and some really cool stuff. It will be really fun, fans can get more finds out of Metal's Darkside, and hear a bunch of fun and entertaining interviews, and as well its very informative, I actually have a good time with what I do, and I think that is very important.

**PunkTV.ca: Do you play any instruments yourself?**

Jasmine: No. I took guitar when I was younger.

**PunkTV.ca: What's your favorite guitar?**

Jasmine: I would say my favorite guitar would be my purple BC rich bitch and I think that NX6 (Warlock) with the cut away is totally gorgeous.



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**PunkTV.ca: Does BC Rich hook you up with free guitars and stuff?**

Jasmine: We had a few free guitar but I think the prettiest one is the purple one the purple bitch.

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**PunkTV.ca: I think I saw you in a picture with that.**

Jasmine: You probably did, and I do stuff with crank amplifiers, I was just in their as this month, in guitar world.

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**PunkTV.ca: Ya, I got the email from your publicist, you have chose a great publicist by the way.**

Jasmine: Thank you, Hannah is great, Hannah is really cool and we love her.

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**PunkTV.ca: (We do too) You have made your views known EBay's alleged ban to sell black metal sales from their site.**

Jasmine: You read that?

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**PunkTV.ca: Yeah I did, I think just yesterday. Can you tell us about your thought on censorship and how you felt when you heard that.**

Jasmine: I bought stuff before i bought King Diamond. I think its just ridiculous and you know what its not metal that kills people and makes them do shitty things. It's people that kill people and make them do fucked up things, like if you have really messed up parents or something, and a bad upbringing, that's what's going to do it, but if they want to ban stuff, then this isn't a free market place. It's ridiculous. I don't support censorship in any way shape or form and if they want to ban it that's fine 'cause then what I will do is just run a classified section of my website just for people who have stuff like that, and of course it would be monitored so that its music stuff nothing else.

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**PunkTV.ca: Ya, my question is always, "Who is going to arbitrate what stuff they are going to ban and what stuff they aren't?" I mean how do they decide this band is more black metal than this band, "this band is just a death metal band so we will let that go, this band is from Norway and its black metal so we can't let that one go."**

Jasmine: I don't know how EBay knows that stuff. That's really weird unless someone really just has a lot of time on their hands to go through like every single band. I don't know how they come up with that, I just think it is ridiculous. Google might be doing auctions soon so that might be the new Ebay.

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**PunkTV.ca: Yahoo as well. I saw on TV where they were talking about.... all the guys were sitting around the Ebay board table and having a conversation like "Well this guy wants to auction away a human skin lamp.. no we can't do this one" and they went through these auctions and they went through them**

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**one at a time and decided as a committee.**

Jasmine: That's very interesting.

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**PunkTV.ca: It's sad, is what it is.**

Jasmine: Sat down at a board table... Well I guess I wouldn't want anyone selling a human skin lamp if I had something like that.

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**PunkTV.ca: I saw another one where someone was auctioning off a Kidney or something.**

Jasmine: I guess if it is high in demand, gotta get a kidney transplant somehow.

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**PunkTV.ca: You were in a new National Lampoon's movie Dorm Daze 2. Can you tell us about that?**

Jasmine: It was okay. It wasn't anything spectacular. I focused most of my energy other stuff that is more interesting to me and is more fun to me. It is more of an honor being in Metal Maniacs magazine or like any metal magazine than some other crappy stuff.

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**PunkTV.ca: Yeah I hear ya. I saw Metal's Darkside piece that you did an autograph signing at Tower Records you said you have an upcoming autobiography and that it will be a tell all you did not care who you pissed off.**

Jasmine: I will put it to you this way, I think that everyone is entitled to have opinions of things and whatnot you know sometimes you might not like what you hear. I'm sure a lot of people say shit about the things I do and that's okay. I have probably written things before where people have said she said this about that, and that's okay I don't have to like everything. That's all I can say. I was in the wrestling business for some time as well and there is some shit that goes on there too.

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**PunkTV.ca: We have a couple of questions that we ask everybody have you seen the face of god, have you had an alien experience, or have you had a supernatural ghosts or similar experience in your life time.**

Jasmine: Wow.....actually I do. I have had several supernatural ghosts in my life. An alien encounter I have never, but I would like to meet aliens, I think they are pretty cool I just want to see what they look like. As far as the ghosts, when I was about five or six years old at our first place in New York City, found out there was a little girl that was poisoned in that place, in our apartment. I would see like legs moving under the table with white stockings. For example my cousin was sitting across from me and these legs were kicking back and forth with white stocking and it couldn't have been my cousin cause she had brown corduroy pants on. One day I was just puking up all this white stuff and it wasn't liquid it was white chunky stuff and the doctor said there was nothing wrong with me. They couldn't figure out what it was, my mom did some research and found out there was a girl murdered by her

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parents there. So we moved out right away, I have a doll house and my furniture would be moved around and I was an only child and I really didn't have many people to come over to play doll house with me so it was basically stuck there. Its kind of a weird thing. After my friend died a few months ago, now and again I felt a weird presence she was a really close friend of ours unfortunately she took her own life, but I mean I guess it just depends, when my dad passed away it felt like something was in my room for about a week.

**PunkTV.ca: Are you a very spiritual person would you say?**

Jasmine: I think we all are. I get kind of scared about things like that.

**PunkTV.ca: Is that some of the things that attract you to death metal and black metal band you are in to, band that are on the very outsides of music do they inspire a visceral feeling?**

Jasmine: Kind of sometimes. I think what really attracted me to that music more than anything else is that it's something different, and I like everything I like the make up the music its just something different, its not the regular stuff you hear on the radio. I like the guitars I just like the aggressive music I think its great. I wish more girls would go to shows.

**PunkTV.ca: Instead of so many stinky guys.**

Jasmine: Yeah, I just think more girls should be at shows it would be awesome.

**PunkTV.ca: What would kids learn most surprising to learn about Jasmine St. Claire?**

Jasmine: hmmm...

**PunkTV.ca: Do you wanna hear what Barney from Napalm Death said?**

Jasmine: Yes. What did he say?

**PunkTV.ca: We (his band) are all quiet and deeply sensitive people.**

Jasmine: Oh my God! I was just about to say that. Quiet maybe not but just deeply sensitive. That's basically what it is what it comes down to at the end of the day is that we are all just people, and I don't see myself different than the person next to me. Maybe they may not have long brown hair maybe they have short blonde hair but I just think as my self as the average person, just like anyone else and sensitive, I hurt, I cry, I do everything, I can smile I can be happy. I don't think of myself any better than kids that go to shows

**PunkTV.ca: They are probably happy to see you there though!**

Jasmine: I just go because I love it that's why we go to shows and I do work at the shows sometimes doing my interviews but I stick around because I want to be there.

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I feel comfortable there, I'm in my comfort zone. We went to go see HIM play a few months ago, I was kind of in my comfort zone but I felt kind of out if it still.

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**PunkTV.ca: Where they a little too pretty for you?**

Jasmine: I think live they are nice it's like a really romantic ambiance and I could see why a lot of chicks like that. The music is okay its not really my cup of tea but I went cause its something different I wanted to go and I had friends that were going. It was nice.

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**PunkTV.ca: What do you think of Dragonforce?**

Jasmine: Dragon Force? I think of Pacman, Nintendo, Galaga, I don't know... Video games are cool. I think they are interesting Halloween band they kind of remind me of Halloween. I am looking forward to seeing them.

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**PunkTV.ca: Where can kids learn more about the Metal's Darkside and where can they buy the DVDs ?**

Jasmine: At their local high school. No, ha ha. Metalsdarkside.com and I have an email subscription list for all kinds of updates and all kinds of fun stuff. Then of course you can to any Tower video you can also buy them off the site in the merchandise area there is the link. All different record shops.

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**PunkTV.ca: Hopefully we are going to send you a lot of kids to check you out, and we love what you are doing and wish you the very, very best.**

Jasmine: Thanks a lot and good luck.

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