



GG Allin & The Murder Junkies  
"Hated (Special Edition)"  
(MVD)  
A Todd Phillips Movie  
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"BITE IT, YOU SCUM!"

"Hated," the 1994 documentary about the life of GG Allin, has been released once again with some additional bonus material. The main program, which was completed shortly before GG Allin's death, featured concert footage, rehearsal footage and interviews with friends, fans and fellow band members. The film, which was completed shortly after his death, is legendary among his fan base, which continues to grow some fourteen years after his untimely demise.

The bonus material is what people are really gonna go for here. First of all, there's a not so exclusive interview with GG Allin's mother. I say not so exclusive because the interview was also featured on the "Raw, Brutal, Rough & Bloody - Best Of 1991 Live" DVD. However, the interview with Merle Allin and Dino Sex is priceless. It's very informative, as is the commentary tracks with Merle, Dino and director Todd Phillips. What I'm impressed with is Merle's attention to detail. He knows the shows, he knows the dates, he knows what went down at each one. Even when I spoke to him on the phone, he was like that. I mentioned a clip I've seen and, by my description, he knew what show I was talkin' about. His attention to detail is mind blowing.

"Die When You Die," "Gypsy Motherfucker" and "Bite It You Scum" are given the video treatment here. Compiled from various live performances, they serve as an excellent reminder of what a GG Allin show was like. This was an excellent addition to this collection. Well worth the price of admission.

You also get temporary GG Allin tattoos and an inlay that gives you the opportunity to purchase a limited edition 18 x 24 inch replica poster of the GG Allin portrait that John Wayne Gacy painted for the film's original release. According to the inlay, this was painted in Gacy's jail cell on death row, two years before his execution.

Any video footage of GG Allin is well worth having and "Hated" should be at the top of the list. This is the ultimate document of the man, the myth and his legend. The simple fact that "Hated" was done with at least some input from GG Allin himself will set this release above anything else we may see in the future. Sure, you can always find someone who knew him, someone who worked with him, someone who loved him...and while they may be able to shed some light on his character, nothing will ever be better than hearing from the man himself. One thing's for sure, there will never be another performer quite like GG Allin. His death left a great void in the music scene...a void which nobody...past, present or future...will ever be able to fill.

Bottom line..."Hated" is a MUST HAVE for any true GG Allin fan.

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