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Mission Of Burma Have New DVD, Not A Photograph

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Mission Of Burma's story is well-known to those who know their indie rock history, but the tale of the Boston band's demise after releasing one studio album in 1983 before making a remarkable comeback in 2002 will now be told on DVD.



Mission Of Burma

MVD Visual will release the 70-minute Not A Photograph on November 21. The film will look at the obstacles that the group faced for their 2002 reunion and how they overcame them to remain a vibrant band who play with as much force today as they did 25 years ago.

Not A Photograph was directed by **David Kleiler, Jr.** and **Jeff Iwanicki**. It includes performances from the 2002 reunion tour as well as older footage dating back to 1979, when bassist **Clint Conley** and guitarist **Roger Miller** had a band called **The Moving Parts**.

Mission Of Burma (which also included drummer **Peter Prescott** and tape manipulator **Martin Swope**) were an art-punk band who released their Vs. debut full-length but broke up soon afterward as the high decibel level of their music took its toll and Miller developed a severe case of tinnitus that made performing almost impossible. They released a subsequent live album, *The Horrible Truth About Burma*, before splitting up.

Miller formed the non-touring group **Birdsongs Of The Mesozoic**. Prescott launched **Volcano Suns** and, later, **Kustomized**. Conley produced **Yo La Tengo's** debut album before embarking on a career as a producer at a Boston television station. The three of them, minus Swope, staged a pair of reunion shows in early 2002. Things went so well that they kept on playing.



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A compilation titled *A Gun To The Head: A Selection From The Ace Of Hearts Era* and a new album titled *Onoffon* were released in 2004, and *The Obliterati* followed this year.

Here are the tracks on the *Not A Photograph* DVD:

- Mission Of Burma — "Wounded World" (Boston @ Avalon, 2002)
- The Moving Parts — "Tetracyclin" (Boston, 1979)
- Mission Of Burma — "Peking Spring" (Boston @ The Space, 1979)
- Mission Of Burma — "This Is Not A Photograph" (Boston @ The Paradise, 1981)
- Mission Of Burma — "Secrets" (Boston @ Club 608, 2002)
- Mission Of Burma — "That's How I Escaped My Certain Fate" (Boston @ Club 608, 2002)
- Mission Of Burma — "That's How I Escaped My Certain Fate" (Boston @ The Paradise, 2002)
- Mission Of Burma — "Trem Two" (New York City @ Irving Plaza, 2002)
- Mission Of Burma — "Max Ernst" (New York City @ Irving Plaza, 2002)
- Mission Of Burma — "Academy Fight Song" (New York City @ Irving Plaza, 2002)
- Mission Of Burma — "All World's Cowboy Romance" (New York City @ Irving Plaza, 2002)
- Mission Of Burma — "Peking Spring" (Seattle @ Experience Music Project, 2002)
- Mission Of Burma — "1970" (Los Angeles @ El Rey Theatre, 2002)

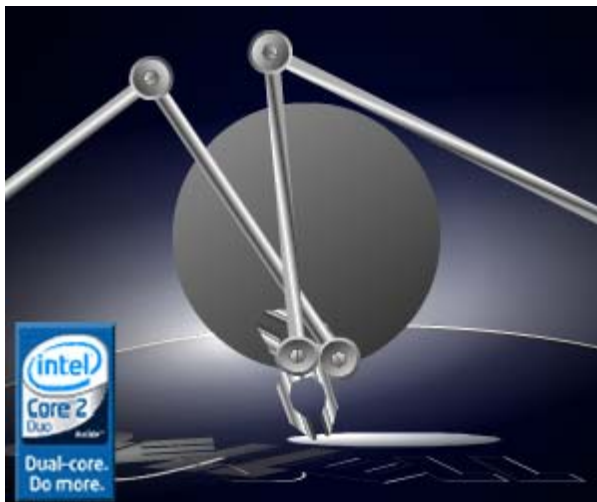


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