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The Jesus Lizard - Live Film Screenings

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While studio recordings of Chicago's The Jesus Lizard are part of the canon of 90's indie rock, anyone who saw them knows their reputation as thee live band of that era is completely accurate. This new DVD, *The Jesus Lizard - Live* captures the original quartet in 1994 playing to a packed and frenzied crowd at the Venus De Milo in Boston.

The band's workman like approach to their taunt, pummeling sound is contrasted by frontman David Yow's Dionysian revelry as he whips himself and the crowd into an ecstatic mess. This two-camera shoot catches all the blood, spit and sweat of a truly killer live band at their peak.

Our Band Could Be Your Life" author Michael Azerrad - who contributes to the liner notes of the DVD - wrote, "When the Jesus Lizard played one of their mighty shows, it was a cathartic rite. And on October 4, 1994, their temple was the Venus De Milio club in Boston, the show captured in living color and thoroughly crankable high-fidelity audio on the DVD you're now holding in your sweaty little hands. Here is Jesus Lizard in all their glory - frontman David Yow unleashes bloodcurdling howls while heaving himself into the audience, guitarist Duane Denison chops out riffs like a kung fu master on a chainsaw massacre, drummer Mac McNeilly and bassist David Wm. Sims grooves with the ruthlessness of an automated slaughterhouse. As the post-show interviewer puts it, a Jesus Lizard show was 'always a heck of an experience.' Hallelujah that it's been documented so well."

The DVD will see screenings in select markets around the US, including these recently announced:

Chicago

Delilah's - 2771 North Lincoln Avenue - Chicago, IL Tuesday, June 5th @ 7:30 pm - Doors @ 7 Free - 21+

New York City

Southpaw - 125 Fifth Ave - Brooklyn, NY 11217 Tuesday, June 5th @ 9pm - Doors @ 8 Free - 21+

Cambridge, MA

The Middle East – 480 Massachusetts Ave - Cambridge, MA 02139 Tues, June 5th @ 7pm $5 in adv.\$ 7 day of - 18+

Philadelphia

Trocadero Theatre - 1003 Arch St - Philadelphia, PA 19106 Tuesday, June 5th @ 8pm - Doors @ 7:30 Free - 21+

Seattle

Solo Bar - 200 Roy St - Seattle, WA 98109 Tuesday, June 5th @ 8pm

Free - 21+

Washington, DC

Black Cat - 1811 14th St. NW - Washington, DC 20009

Monday, June 11th @ 9pm

Free - 21+

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