



The Bellrays - @ *The Barfly*
(DVD, **Punkervision / Music Video Distributors**)

We have been big fans of **The Bellrays** for years...but in all those years we had never managed to see the band perform until now. Wow. Wow. *Wowwwwwww...* The Bellrays once again prove that they are one of the best goddamn bands in the world. Captured live in a sizzling hot show at The Barfly in London, these four individuals are absolutely on fire...putting on a mesmerizing and intense show at this small club. **Lisa Kekaula, Tony Fate, Robert Vennum, and Craig Waters** put out so much energy in this performance that you'll have to see it to believe it. For those unfamiliar with the band, The Bellrays play a unique blend of punk, rock, and soul...all spun together and spewed out with such intensity that you can't help but be affected by it. There's not another band on earth like 'em...and this concert is pure proof of this fact. Fate, Vennum, and Waters play their instruments like the earth is about to end (bringing to mind **The MC5** and **The Ramones**)...while vocalist Lisa Kekaula provides the jarring and intense soul that propels the group up, up, *up* into the sky and beyond. Kekaula is quite possibly the best soul/rock vocalist of the twenty-first century. She screams, she whispers, she howls, she preaches...all of the while shaking her thing in a tight black dress that accentuates her every move. The lady is pure *dynamite*. She's big and she's sexy...and she's purely magnetic in every way imaginable. There are so many highlights in this concert that it would be difficult to list 'em all, but we were particularly impressed by "Voodoo Train," "Pay the Cobra," "Street Corner," "Some Confusion City," "Revolution Get Down," and "Startime." These folks should already be incredibly famous. But things being as they are (*the public at large has shitty taste*)...The Bellrays are still a cult band. But the cult continues to grow each and every year as new converts convert others...who convert others...who convert others... In our world, these folks are *already* big stars. They've got the goods and they DELIVER. Highly recommended. (Rating: 6++)

