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Dawn of Possession

Immolation


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Review

by [Greg Prato](#)

Although death metal is a style quite familiar to metalheads worldwide circa the early 21st century, during it's early days in the late '80s/early '90s, it was a genre still finding an audience and fighting for respect. An early supporter of this style was New York's Immolation, who issued their debut release, 'Dawn of Possession,' in 1991 via Roadrunner (back when the label was not yet the global powerhouse it is today). Out of print for several years, 2006 saw the ten track album reissued via the Metal Mind Productions label. While it will never go down in metal history as a landmark album a la *Master of Puppets* or *Reign in Blood*, 'Dawn of Possession' does however show a band mastering a style that would eventually become quite commonplace in metal (growled vocals, computer-precision riffing and drumming, etc.). And the song titles certainly follow the 'death metal guidelines' – especially "Into Everlasting Fire," "Internal Decadence," "Burial Ground," etc. Looking back on it years later, 'Dawn of Possession' was certainly a notable release in what would eventually be known as the 'extreme metal' style.

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Tracks

Title	Composer	Time
1 Into Everlasting Fire	Dolan, Immolation, Vignaud ...	5:14

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Album

Dawn of Possession

Rating

★★★★☆

Release Date

1991

Label

Roadrunner

Time

42:09

Genre

Styles

Rock

Death Metal/ Black
Metal
Heavy Metal

AMG Album ID

R 9775

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2		Despondent Souls	Dolan, Immolation, Vignaud ...	4:15
3		Dawn of Possession	Dolan, Immolation, Vignaud ...	3:07
4		Those Left Behind	Dolan, Immolation, Vignaud ...	5:13
5		Internal Decadence	Dolan, Immolation, Vignaud ...	3:03
6		No Forgiveness (Without Bloodshed)	Dolan, Immolation, Vignaud ...	4:12
7		Burial Ground	Dolan, Immolation, Vignaud ...	3:41
8		After My Prayers	Dolan, Immolation, Vignaud ...	5:54
9		Fall in Disease	Dolan, Immolation, Vignaud ...	3:52
10		Immolation	Dolan, Immolation, Vignaud ...	4:06

Releases

Year	Type	Label	Catalog #
1991	CD	Roadrunner	RR-9310-2
1991	CS	Roadrunner	RR-9310-4
	CD	Metal Mind Productions	0953



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