

## REVIEW SCALE

- 5** – The album is excellent, it could also be considered perfect or near perfect. There may be a few glitches or setbacks, but they are not detrimental.
- 4** – The album is very good. There aren't too many glitches or setbacks but the ones that are present keep the album from being excellent.
- 3** – The album is mediocre. While the album is alright, there isn't anything that makes it stand out above other albums. Some of it is good, and some of it needs work.
- 2** – The album is bad. Many things have gone wrong, and unless it happens to be within your personal favorite genre, chances are it's not even worth your time. The band has a lot to work on.
- 1** – The album is terrible. The album isn't worth your time, no exceptions.

Note: Be aware that in November 2004 the grading scale was revised to how it is shown above in order to maintain more consistencies between our reviewers. Many of the reviews in our Archive may include ½ marks and ¼ marks and please be aware that the ratings at that time were also more open to our reviewers' interpretations of the rating scale, as opposed to this now absolute grading scale which our reviewers are responsible to follow in their rating procedures.

## REVIEWS

**Winter – Into Darkness / Eternal Frost (re-issue)** - added - May 5th, 2008

Reviewer: **Ruben Mosqueda**

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4/5

New York's own Winter was ahead of their time. They were a hybrid band that fused gothic, death, doom and traditional heavy metal their singer; John Alman sounds like a cross between Glenn Benton and Peter Steele. This three piece have more in common with bands out of Scandinavia than the core scene made famous in the near by Jersey shores or The Big Apple. Metal Mind Productions has re-issued their 1990 debut album *Into Darkness* that was poorly promoted on the Future Shock Records and their 1994 Nuclear Blast E.P. *Eternal Frost*. Winter is a band that I had no idea existed and I'm sure there is many a die hard metal fan out there that will find this discovery an essential part of their collection. If you love Type-O Negative, Sentenced, Deicide and Moonspell then Winter will send chills up and down your spine.

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