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We Fun: Atlanta, GA/Inside Out

(MVD)-I guess this is sort of a companion piece to the Athens, GA Inside Out that came out a few decades ago (same producer, Billy Cody). This one centers on the Atlanta garage rock scene as led by the Black Lips but also featured prominently are Deerhunter, King Khan & the Shrines, Mastodon, The Selmans, The Carbonas, etc. The film opens with Khan and a few of his shrines who appear to be drunk and naked walking around a house but Khan and the other guy have underwear on and then some topless girl is walking around (just a slight bit of tape on her nipples) and they seem to not be the least bit worried they are being filmed. On the contrary, they are hamming it up a bit! So this is the opening scene and apparently those Atlantans enjoy their nudity (we've all heard plenty of Black Lips stories and some gal from another Atlanta band shoot flames out of her vagina). Most of the bands in the doc give credit to the Black Lips as being the band that, by getting out and touring their asses off, put Atlanta on the map (the band says that when Bomp Record's Greg Shaw gave the band their initial contract it stated to "not be a typical Atlanta band and never play out", so they weren't). Along the way we hear from CHUNKLET'S Henry Owings, Deerhunter's Bradford Cox and several other (usually intoxicated) Atlanta folks who have all come together to create what seems like a quite unhinged (in the best way possible) and really great scene. This is excellent! www.mvdb2b.com

- Tim Hinely