

# The Impaler Speaks

## Shonen Knife - Live At Mohawk Place 2009

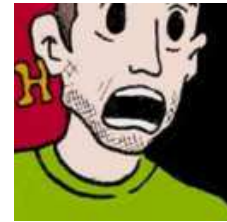
@ShonenKnife 'This band is incredible!' Concert DVDs can be hit-or-miss, we all know that. This one from [Shonen Knife](#) - subtitled 'The Ultimate Live DVD' - is a hit. Review originally published in [Mass Movement](#) 28 in late 2010.

Housebound and wishing you could be out dancing and singing along at a killer rock show? Give this a spin in your DVD player and bring the party to your living room....



### Shonen Knife – Live At Mohawk Place 2009 ([Good Charamel/MVD Visual](#))

Who among us doesn't love Shonen Knife? Dummies and mean people, that's who – and everybody knows that mean people suck (bumper stickers never lie). Listening to Shonen Knife is a surefire good time, with music that strikes the perfect balance between Ramones style pop-flavored punk and Cheap Trick style pop-flavored big rawk. Watching Shonen Knife, however, brings everything into focus. These three innocent-looking women from Osaka, Japan, with their matching 60s go-go girl dresses and shiny-happy personas, unleash the beasts of hell with their instruments onstage, bringing the ruckus and flailing about in a manner that actually calls to mind super-evil monster trios such as High On Fire (or at the very least, a young and brash Green Day). Sure, the lyrics are often hard to decipher due to the gals' limited prowess within the realm of the English language, and the titles reveal that the songs are generally about monster cats, healthy eating, unhealthy eating, parties, toys... it's all about fun, fun, fun with Shonen Knife, after all... but come on! This band is incredible! 'Live At Mohawk Place 2009' captures the band's final night on their North American tour in support of the album 'Super



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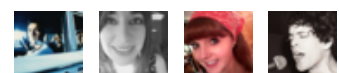
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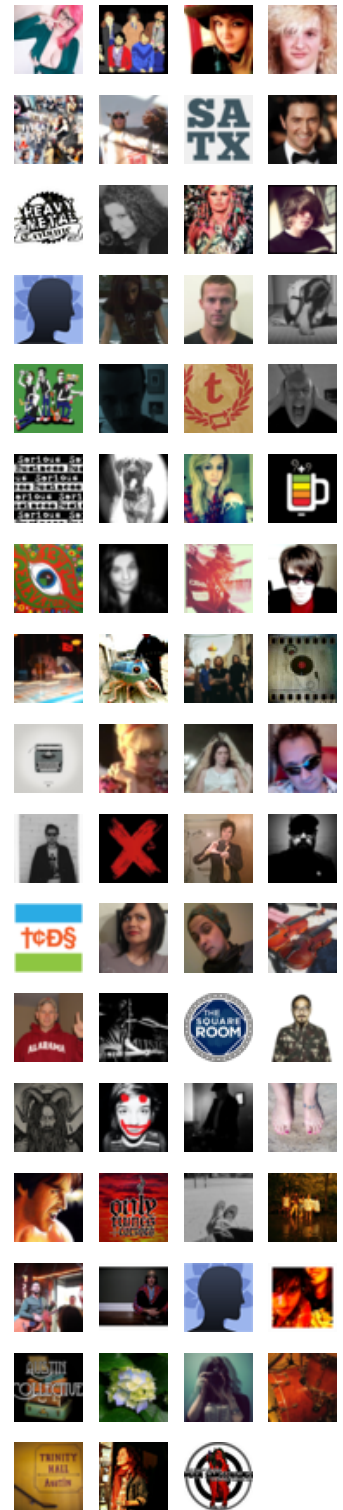
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Group' (30 shows in 34 nights... who does that anymore!?!), with a rabid Buffalo, New York, audience eating up every moment. Original member Atsuko (who left the group a few years ago) shows up to provide vocals on a rousing rendition of 'Fruits And Vegetables' to kick off the encore, and the concert (in its entirety) is rounded out by a fun (and often funny) interview segment and some cool footage of life on the road with the band. **The Impaler**

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