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QUEERS

Live 2003 - CBGB The Bowery Collection

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When the legendary CBGB's doors closed so did the memories of a million and one punk rockers that spent time inside those walls, which had become sacred ground. Now, with the Bowery Collection, MVD Audio has been able to resurrect some of the charm of the old club and bring you to the front row as they present full live shows for our stereos. One of my favorite bands, biggest influences, and all around great rock-n-roll bands, The Queers are presented in this installment. Recorded live in 2003 at CBGB'S, the Queers present a show like no other. Their Ramones influenced style on their albums never holds a candle to what they bring to the stage. 31 tracks in all make up this wonderful collection that spans their entire catalog. The set includes their biggest songs like "Ursula Finally Has Tits," "Punk Rock Girls," "This Place Sucks," as well as a couple well placed covers including set opener "Rockaway Beach" and countless songs that the Queers share with the Screeching Weasel catalog like "Surf Goddess," "Like A Parasite," etc... They run through their set in only 52 minutes, meaning they play a little bit faster than they do on their albums, and a little more rowdier too. There isn't much pausing in between songs to chat with the audience, but the occasional dedications do come from Joe Queer's mouth when he takes a breath. This is a great collection of the Queers music and is presented very well. The raw take on their songs is what truly brings them to life and this album will get you as close to the live show as possible without actually being there.