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Echo & The Bunnymen - A Concert To Remember

On November 5, 2005 my wife and I were privileged to be in the audience at the Shepherd's Bush Empire in London and to be a part of one of the most memorable performances of my concert going career. Ian McCulloch, Will Sergeant and the latest incantation of Echo & The Bunnymen gave a stellar performance that is now available on both CD (*Me, I'm All Smiles*) and DVD (*Dancing Horses*). We viewed the whole performance from the raised area towards the back of the theatre (standing between the mixing desk to our left and the video camera shooting a panorama of the stage to our right) and had no one obstructing our view. It was a fabulous evening with a group that I have supported since buying *Crocodiles* on vinyl soon after it was released in 1980.

I was an unhappy conscript at the time, and just had enough time to record the album before being shipped into combat at *Ruacana* in the heart of the *Namibian "Operational Area"*. It was one of the albums that got me through that morally heinous and soul destroying part of my life. Four years later I was a final year student and found myself travelling from Pretoria to Margate in *KwaZulu-Natal*. It was midnight, I was hitch-hiking and I was alone on the dark highway in the bush south of Durban. All I had was a backpack, a bottle of whisky, a Panasonic "Walkman" and a pocketful of Echo & The Bunnymen CD's. It was an eventful trip, and *Ocean Rain* will always take me back to that dark stretch of road, the stars and the smell of the sub-tropical bush!

Three days after the London concert, the Bunnymen performed at the Paradiso Club in Amsterdam in the Netherlands. It was the same set as the one they delivered in London and the bonus was that it was streamed live to the world. Unfortunately my bandwidth let me down all through that performance, but I was pleased to see that the whole performance is now available online. Block off an hour and 40 minutes, crank up the volume and enjoy this gem from November 8, 2005...



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