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It seems like just yesterday when I saw the video for *Teasn' Pleasn'* on Mtv for the first time. Can you believe it has been 20 years since that tune came out? Damn I'm getting old. Dangerous Toys isn't a full time gig for any of the guys anymore, but they do get together for a few shows each year, to keep the fans happy. As you know I saw them a few years back at Rock the Bayou and they smoked. That being said, the boys have gotten back together to commemorate their 20th year of existence with their new release *20th Year Anniversary Concert Celebration*. The show was shot in their home town of Austin TX at the Red Eyed Fly in May of 2005. The set includes tunes from all 4 studio albums and comes packaged in a DVD/CD format. The DVD features 21 songs, while the CD only covers 13. Still, not a bad deal.

20th Year features all of the hits like *Teasn' Pleasn'*, *Scared*, *Queen of the Nile* and many more. The show is shot okay, but unfortunately it becomes distracting at times. The picture quality jumps back and forth between video and film, which takes away from the final product. Also, the camera angles are questionable at times, coming off looking like a bootleg. There are several shots that look like they came straight out of the audience with hands and heads in the way. Due to the fact that the band is not as big as they once were, I'm sure some shortcuts were taken during the filming and making of this DVD. I don't want to be too critical, because this is a pretty cool package. It is cool seeing a band like Dangerous Toys tear up the stage again. The band sounds good and vocalist **Jason McMaster** puts on a killer show as usual. The performance is pretty strong even though the guys were on a fairly cramped stage. Jason still sounds good vocally, but may have lost few notes over the years. All in all a pretty solid package here.



Bottom Line: *A band from the 80's that is still kickin. This is a cool package that gives you the best of both worlds, with a CD and DVD. The band is a little older and may have lost a few things along the way, but they still sound pretty damned good.*

Ragman *doesn't fear clowns.*

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