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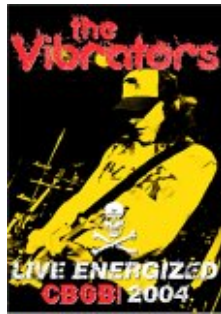
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DVD Review: *The Vibrators: Live at CBGB 2004*

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[Vibrators Live Energized: Cbgb 2004](#)

DVD from Music Video Distribu
Release date: 10 May, 2005

In case you were wondering if the Vibrators were still kicking ass, one look at this live show from CBGB's will tell you. Yes.

Thanks to MVD, we can now see the late 70's punk rock phenomena at its best - in 2004. The Vibrators' career spans twenty-seven years and makes them one of the first punk rock bands out of the UK and one of the few that are actually still around. They're still touring and the years have not slowed them down.

Their songs are fast, intense, melodic, adrenaline pumping walls of noise with barely enough time between each song to take a breath, but that doesn't stop Knox, Eddie and Pete from pounding out one after another. From the punk ballad "Baby, Baby" (which is often said to be the first punk love song) to the heavy and powerful "Troops of Tomorrow", the DVD features some of the Vibrators classics, including "Yeah Yeah Yeah" as well as newer songs from their last album, *Energize*.

Originally formed in 1976, the Vibrators have been through many line-up changes over the years. The band was formed by four members: Ian "Knox" Carnochan (vocals/guitar), Eddie (drums), Pat Collier (bass) and John Ellis (guitar). Both Collier and Ellis ended up leaving and being replaced by temporary members. The band ended up splitting up in 1980, only to reform in 1982 with the original four members. This didn't last long and the band eventually became the threesome we have today: Knox, Eddie, and Pete.

The DVD features two interviews with the Vibrators, one inside CBGB and the other shot on a street in Hoboken with a kid named "Punk Rock Eric". The first interview has Knox, Eddie (and a charmingly silent Pete) discussing the songs, their history and tour stories. There is a surprise addition to the interview when a former member of the band, Nigel Bennett, comes in and adds some interesting tales of his own.

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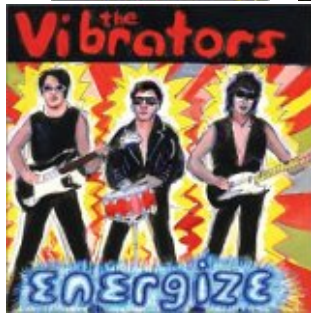
Viewing this show makes one thing clear: the Vibrators are still vibrating.

The show consists of seventeen songs, followed by a six song encore, which features the hits "Brand New Cadillac" (made popular by The Clash), "Amphetamine Blue", "Bad Time", "Pure Mania", "Wrecked On You", and "Yeah Yeah Yeah".

If you're a fan of true punk rock, do yourself a favor and pick up this DVD and catch the Vibrators on their American fall tour, which kicks off in September in San Diego.

Running time: 150 minutes
Director: Jerry Heer

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Man. Right off I can't think of any that are still around. Cue Jeopardy theme tune

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Have you viewed any of the other MVD DVDs of other bands from the 70s, early 80s? If so what's the difference in production values. I reviewed The Stranglers a little while ago, from MVD

I'm just curious because, obviously, the earlier stuff was, well, early.

Comment 2 posted by [Jones Violet](#) on July 28, 2005 11:55 PM:

Temple,

This was the first MVD DVD I've seen, but I hope to see more in the future. I was quite impressed with this one.

The Stranglers are often referred to as the first of the originals of punk bands, aren't they? Are they more new wave? I don't know a whole lot about them, except that they were originally formed in 1974/5? If I remember correctly they're still around.

Comment 3 posted by [Marty Thau](#) on July 29, 2005 11:08 AM:

As Temple said, there may not be many of the old time punk bands from the UK still performing but there are still some very good ones from the states still out there -- Blondie, Patti Smith, Television, Suicide, New York Dolls (reformed version), to name a few. And David Byrne shows up from time to time. Mink DeVille, too. I guess the "classics" are here to stay once the dust settles.

Comment 4 posted by [Eric Olsen](#) on July 29, 2005 11:22 AM:

very nice job Jones and glad to hear the Vibrators still vibrating. Pat Collier became a quite successful indie/punk producer, including the [Wonderstuff](#), who are back at it again, btw, though they don't go nearly as far back as the Vibrators

Comment 5 posted by [Aaman](#) on July 29, 2005 11:29 AM:

How far back do the Vibrators go? Never mind...;)

Comment 6 posted by [Eric Olsen](#) on July 29, 2005 11:45 AM:

the Carter administration

Comment 7 posted by [Aaman](#) on July 29, 2005 11:46 AM:

I didn't quite mean it that way, but thanks:)

Comment 8 posted by [Eric Olsen](#) on July 29, 2005 12:02 PM:

chortle!

Comment 9 posted by [Jones Violet](#) on July 29, 2005 12:24 PM:

oh the wit..!

i wish i didn't get that joke..heh.

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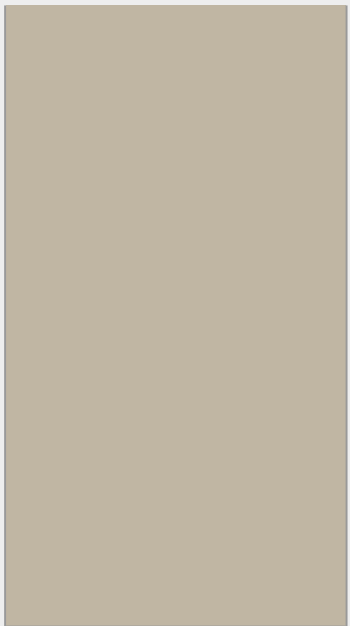
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