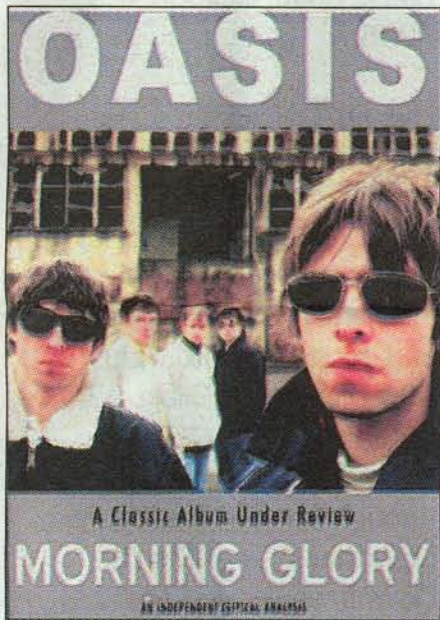


Making it on their own 'Charms'



"(What's the Story) Morning Glory: A Classic Album Under Review," (MVDvisual, ★★★★★)

This March 12 DVD spotlights the biggest British band of the 1990s by presenting critical appraisal and analysis of their biggest recording. The Manchester band, fronted by songwriter/guitarist/vocalist Noel Gallagher and his younger brother, lead vocalist Liam, had already released what some critics were esteeming the "greatest debut of all time," their first album, "Definitely Maybe."

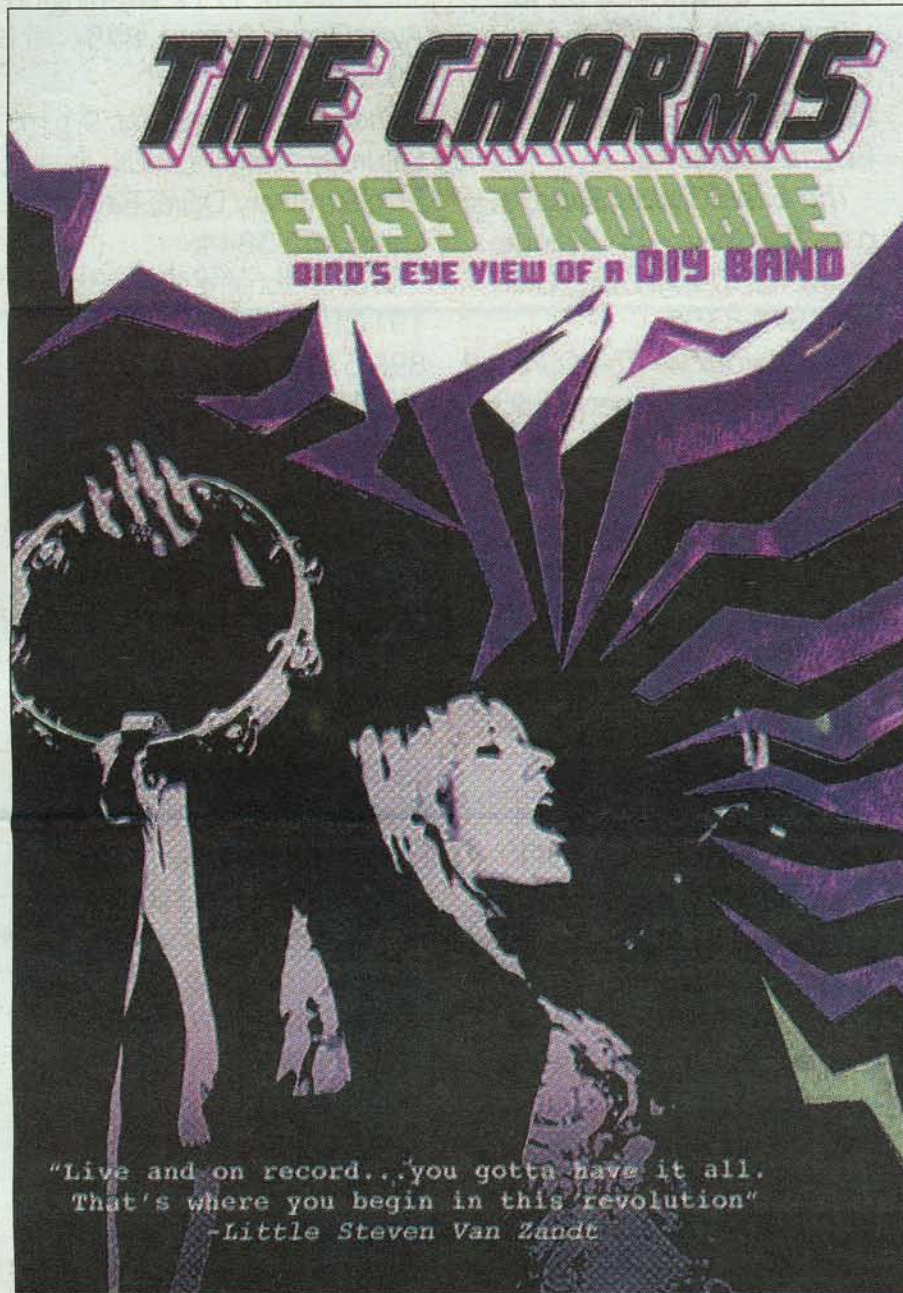
However, Morning Glory was to overshadow their debut, as well as their subsequent recordings, with classic songs like "Wonderwall," "Don't Look Back in Anger" and "Champagne Supernova."

These songs and the others are assessed by a panel of Oasis experts and friends. Vintage interview and performance footage, plus a recording of the 1995 radio station interview which featured Oasis and Blur, are featured. Fans of this massive 1990s band will want to watch and enjoy this one. The Classic Albums and Under Review series are both wonderful.

These releases are available at www.mvdvisual.com if you can't find them locally.

"Easy Trouble: Bird's Eye View of a DIY Band," The Charms (MVDvisual, ★★★★★)

This March 13 release chronicles the rise of a Boston band that has made it



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the old fashioned way: with catchy songs, a good show and relentless touring. Little Steven Van Zandt's Underground Garage radio show has been hugely helpful, but singer/guitarist Ellie Vee and company have mostly done it

themselves.

The trouble of keeping an intact band lineup is the main problem for The Charms, as the band has gone through a host of bass players and drummers in their short existence. And the departure of foxy Farfisa organist Kat Kina after their first national tour in 2004 threatened to sink them. Hopefully, the proceeds from this DVD will help them keep going. It includes lots of extras, including current drummer Prince Frederick detailing the revolving door bassist situation, and videos for two of The Charms' best songs.

If you like hard-driving, catchy rock 'n' roll, The Charms DVD will provide it.



"Project ALF," (MVD, ★★★★★)

This April 3 DVD release shows us what the furry, cat-snacking alien from Melmac has been up to since his mid-'80s TV series was cancelled. Actually, this is a thoroughly entertaining feature with a believable premise, considering our government's waffle-ridden record on UFOs.

Several major stars, including Martin Sheen (as the evil colonel Millfoil, whose presidential dreams would be furthered by bringing Project ALF to a deadly end), Ed Begley, Jr. and Ray Walston, all match wits with the alien fur ball, who seems to have no trouble making friends and influencing people.

If you enjoyed the show way back when or in reruns, you'll like this DVD, which comes with an ALF keychain.



Hattiesburg Happenings . . . There's a whole lot happening in the Hub City these days, from USM baseball games to delightful dining to musical adventures at a large variety of venues. Sister Hazel came straight to The Bottling Company (a club found downtown in the former Coke bottling plant) for a Friday night show. Col. Bruce Hampton's new jam band, the Quark Alliance, rolled in for a Saturday evening throwdown. And, singer/songwriter Kate Campbell will be appearing today at Main Street United Methodist Church to benefit the Scoutreach Boy Scout Program. That's just some of the national touring folks. Hattiesburg, needless to say, also has a vibrant local music scene.