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Robin Trower – Living Out of Time
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Rating: A

Robin Trower would certainly be a finalist if there was an award given for underrated guitar players. His latest DVD was recorded in Germany and is everything a Trower fan could hope for. The track listing is a perfect mix of newer songs and classics and the band he is playing with is the most solid he has had since his 70's dominance.

Vocalist Davey Pattison takes over and summons the spirit of the late James Dewar and there are moments where you could swear he actually is possessed. The delivery is spot on and the tonality is perfect. The star of the show, however is Robin Trower. The gig that was filmed happened to be the axe master's 60th birthday party. The crowd sings the b-day song and lights sparklers as Robin takes the stage.

Trower opens with his most famous song "Too Rolling Stoned." Even after 30 plus years he nails it and even adds to the wah-wah drenched solo. Other classic Trower treats include a soul tingling version of "Daydream" and the one-two punch of two of his best known songs, "Day of the Eagle" and "Bridge of Sighs." The power of Trower is amazing

as he effortlessly displays fireworks on the fretboard that puts the sparkler show to shame. His age is showing and he is totally guilty of guitar face throughout the performance but the notes he squeezes out have the viewer making the same contorted faces as the artist. More often than not I was spellbound by the genius being portrayed before my eyes.

This is a testament to one of the best to ever pick up a Fender Stratocaster and crank up the distortion. Trower is getting better with age. If you are not as familiar with Trower as you should be then let this DVD be your stepping stone to becoming a huge Robin Trower fan.

One other note that should be made is the sound quality of the concert. This is one of the best examples of 5.1 sound to date. The video quality is excellent as well.

Long live Robin Trower!

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