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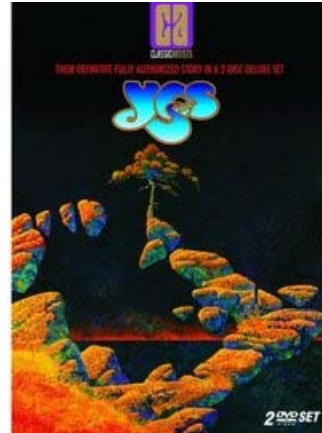
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Yes – Classic Artists (Image DVD Set) + Patrick Moraz In Princeton (MVD DVD)

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Bands that survive over many decades have a long and interesting history, especially if they have continued success and even more so if they have many line-up changes. No band has had more long term success critically and commercially with more line-up changes than Yes, Progressive Rock's greatest survivor and in many ways, endurers of the mantle of the original cycle of that they helped to make a success. **Yes – Classic Artists** is finally out on DVD from Image Entertainment and offers one of the best looks at any band we have seen to date.



Comprised of interviews and some footage of the band and others in close proximity over the years, the main documentary runs an amazing and always rich 204 minutes. If you know and love the band, you know that it is amazing this did not run longer, but the rest who do not know the story will find it as amazing as it is compelling.

They began with a self-titled album when they were signed to Atlantic Records, tried for more success with the **Time & A Word** album and just when their contract was running out at the label, pulled off **The Yes Album**, a breakthrough masterwork that put them on the map forever and included several classics that have rarely been matched since including *It's Your Move*.

It then charts their continued success with **Fragile**, building up to their grandly experimental and underrated **Tales from Topographic Oceans**, then an interesting set of transitional albums with character that eventually led to their early 1980s comeback album **90125**. Of course, the comeback did not last and the group hit new rough waters that could be a documentary in itself. However, I will not reveal much more because I do not want to spoil any of it, but it is a must-see show for any serious music fan.

One aspect of the piece that is missing is the amazing work of Patrick Moraz, who substituted for Rick Wakeman from 1974 – 1978 on some of the band's most interesting albums as their main keyboardist and joined The Moody Blues soon after until 1991. A legal battle even followed. However, Moraz has been a prolific force to be reckoned with and at the time he joined Yes, he issued his first solo album. **Patrick Moraz In Princeton** (1995) is an impressive concert in which he turns to Jazz and Classical standards with stunning results, showing once again why he is one of the greatest keyboardists ever.

On piano, her is as amazing as he is on Moogs and other electronic sources, bringing these standards and classics to life in a way that is sorely missing from the usual (and to often routine, boring) versions we see so often not. The only problem is that it does not go on longer. He is one of the most underrated musicians of all time and is long overdue for more recognition than he currently enjoys.

Both programs are produced on video, but **Yes** is anamorphically enhanced 1.78 X 1 while **Princeton** is 1.33 X 1 analog video, yet they are even in softness and overall performance. The **Yes** program is usually new interview footage, but stills and stock performances (including promo films) that cut into the consistency enough, but Moraz's performance is even softer. Both are also Dolby Digital 2.0 Stereo, simple and fine, but it is a shame Moraz's disc was not DTS and/or PCM of some sort.

Both also contain extras, with **Yes** offering a nice color booklet in the foldout packaging and DVD 2 adds 1996 rehearsal footage of the band, stills, extended interviews and three classic music videos including their brilliant *Wonderous Stories*, *Tempus Fugit* and mega-hit *Owner Of A Lonely Heart* in its longer version not often seen. **Moraz** has the solitary 1975 promo video for his first solo album, **The Story Of I**, but it is incredible and you can find out more about that and all of his albums, now remastered, at his website:

[www.patrickmoraz.com](http://www.patrickmoraz.com)

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We have covered the band often, as well as all of its amazingly talented members and will continue to do so for a very long time. For more, try this link for their terrific **2003 Montreux** concert in HD-DVD and Blu-ray, then try links below that review:

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