

The Dwarves Are Rock Legends!

Birthered in the garage rock revival of the 1980's and weened in the punk and grunge scenes of the 1990's, the Dwarves continue to entertain, shock and mystify audiences all over the world with groundbreaking records and chaotic live performances spanning four decades.

Coming to prominence as one of Sub/Pop's first signings the Dwarves reputation for onstage madness earned the respect of grunge era crowds and the shock and awe of their peers.

Between 1983-1993 they played with many of the most popular bands of the era including the Cramps, Nirvana, Green Day, the Minutemen and the Offspring to name just a few. 1990's *Blood Guts & Pussy* LP with its no nonsense punk rock and disturbing cover art helped to awaken a nation anaesthetized by hair metal and flannel. The LP's *Thank Heaven For Little Girls* (1991) and *Sugarfix* (1993) solidified the basic lineup of vocalist Blag Jesus, bassist Sgt. Saltpeter and drummer Vadge Moore.

Following the death of guitarist HeWhoCanNotBeNamed the Dwarves made singles for Recess and Man's Ruin, then signed to Epitaph and proceeded to do for pop-punk what they had done for grunge and garage, making *The Dwarves Are Young & Good Looking* (1997) and *The Dwarves Come Clean* (2000) definitive LPs of the skateboard punk era.

By the turn of the century the Dwarves had toured Europe, Canada and the US extensively as well as Japan and Australia. Appearances on television and radio and dozens of song placements in film and TV solidified their legendary status. In 2005 *The Dwarves Must Die* (Sympathy) was hailed as their most eclectic album yet with producer Eric Valentine and a cast

of underground notables featured in cameos that had the dying recording industry buzzing. 2011 saw the release of *The Dwarves Are Born Again* (MVD) returning to the punk ferocity of yesteryear, but continuing the genre defying experiments their fans now demanded.

2014 brought *The Dwarves Invented Rock & Roll* on DIY punk label Recess and the *Gentleman Blag 7"* on Fat Wreck. 2015 produced *Radio Free Dwarves*, featuring live European radio performances that capture the Dwarves at their fire breathing old school best.

A slew of reissues and unreleased gems produced by Blag Dahlia followed on the Greedy Media imprint including the glam punk *Penetration Moon*, retro girl pop *Candy Now* and even the bluegrass *Earl Lee Grace* LP's reissued by Burger. The Dwarves early garage, noise punk and unreleased sides were repackaged as the double LPs *Lick It* and *Free Cocaine* and the masters of mayhem returned in 2018 with *The Dwarves Take Back the Night* LP (Burger) and *Julio 7"* featuring a super group of past and future Dwarves including HeWhoCanNotBeNamed, The Fresh Prince of Darkness, Rex Everything, Nick Oliveri, Hunter Down, Andy Now, and Black Josh Freese. Once again,

the Dwarves delivered the goods on wax skewering garage, punk, hardcore, electronica, doo wop and noise music. Relentless worldwide touring followed with thrash drummer Snupac.

In 2022 Blag authored his third novel *Highland Falls (Rare Bird)* and released his first full length solo record *Introducing Ralph Champagne*, showcasing his retro crooner alter ego. As 2022 drew to a close, an avalanche of reissues brought back the entire Dwarves catalog on wax through Greedy/MVD.

In 2023-24 *The Dwarves Concept Album*, and *Keep It Reel Ep* cemented their status as the most groundbreaking punk band of all time, skipping through all hard rock genres from hardcore to pop to experimental, including the streaming radio hit *We Will Dare* a duet with up and coming female vocalist Madd Lucas that spawned a hilarious video starring Jackass' Danger Ehren. The record's cover continued their tradition of highbrow nudity and humor guaranteed to scare retail and radio for the next few decades of their seemingly endless career.

The relentless middle finger drive, catchy songwriting and deft production that set the Dwarves apart have never sounded better and with way over a thousand shows to their credit, there's really only one punk band left that matters! Catch the Dwarves soon at a theater, nightclub or crack house near you, and check out their groundbreaking LPs online or at your local record store.

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