

Metal Only

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Band: Ephyra (I)

Genre: Melodic Death/Folk Metal

Label: Bakerteam Records

Albumtitle: Along the Path

Duration: 51:26

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"Along the Path", so the new album of Ephyra which has been founded in 2005, is called. Even so I feel it is my duty to take a critical look of the second one although the debut of 2013 has been praised. I can also class it as "unsuccessful" if I have valid arguments.

Maybe it is a curious irony to anticipate the conclusion in the opening, but it has its justification in details. A lot of the album is only imperfect work that seems untalented and not very harmoniously. Unfortunately I can certify no more than halfway good approaches.

The guitars are less or not able to create melodies, the drums are noisy and hollow and above all there are the nagging and mood-killing clean vocals of Nadia Casali. The few folk elements actually founding the genre classification can be just accepted as one turns two blind eyes. Nevertheless I could not hear any Melodic (!) Death Metal. For sure, one can argue that the growls are identifying elements of Death Metal but yet one must state that the realisation is simply amateurish in comparison to other bands like Dalriada or Æther Realm. I should mention here that the music was best as soon as Nadia Casali stopped singing.

Conclusion:

I miss everything that I like to listen to in this genre combination. Where are the awesome, playful solos or the fascinating melodies? Where the lyrics performed with pleasure and rage? Maybe they are on the next album.

Rating: 1,5/10

Recommendations: Flaming Tears

Weblink: <http://www.ephyra.it> , <http://www.facebook.com/Ephyra-official-338459249511535>

Lineup:

Alessandra Biundo - Bass

John Tagliabue - Drums

Matteo Santoro - Guitars, Choirs

Paolo Diliberto - Guitars, Choirs

Nadia Casali - Vocals

Francesco Braga - Vocals

Tracklist:

01. Melancholy Rise
02. Human Chaos
03. All at Once
04. Cruel Day
05. Flaming Tears
06. Hope
07. Last Night
08. Riding with the Sun
09. Land's Calling
10. No Dream
11. Alive

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