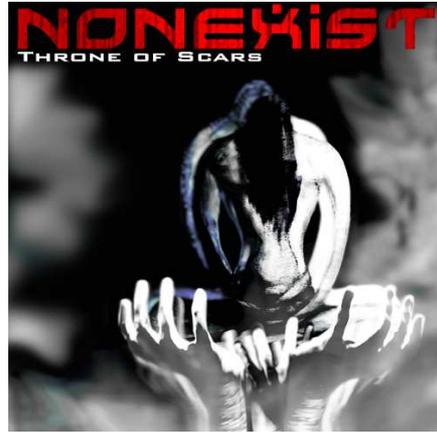


Metal Only

Das einzig WAHRE Metalradio im Netz!

Band: Nonexist (S)
Genre: Melodic Thrash/Death Metal
Label: Mighty Music
Albumtitle: Throne Of Scars
Duration: 42:44
Releasedate: 10.10.2015



For a moment the two-man-project of Johan Reindholdz (Andromeda – if you know it...) and ex-Arch Enemy Shouter Johan Liiva sounds chaotic. Chaotic and a little scatterbrained as they try to celebrate a mix of melodic something-metal, a bit Thrash and Death Metal, but anyway it is neither one thing or another.

Firstly blastbeats are celebrated and in the next moment they change it completely by unpacking the progressive hammer. It destroys the whole construction until they shortly return to the Death-, Thrash Metal in an acceptable manner. Some strophes and pre-refrains have this curious effect mixed up in th vocals, that also comes into affect at Pop acts. Unfortunately I disremember the name but it is a little pitched tune-effect.

Melodical parts break through the chaos in the next moment trying to confuse the ears partly with very gentle acoustic guitars. From time to time they use relatively anthemic Heavy Metal parts accentuated with keyboard sound beside all the Thrash and Death banging.

Above all the vocals blow up in one's face in well brutal manner.

The whole thing is inherently consistent and good as it is well-played and produced and it also requires a certain focused attention. Simply listening? Not here, as it happens to much in this songs. What a pity, as they destroy their groove after a while with changes of direction. However, this is complaining about first world problems because one can enjoy it once one knows the songs better after several runs.

Conclusion:

It is good stuff for fans of Strapping Young Lad as trimmed version and progressive Death Metal bands. All other can gladly listen to it. Just for me, it is too scatterbrained though I like STL.

Rating 6,5/10

Weblink: <http://www.facebook.com/nonexistofficial>

Line-Up:

Johan Liiva - Lead Vocals
Johan Reinholdz - Guitars, Bass, Synths, Spoken/Clean Vocals and Backing Growls

Live members:

Joakim Strandberg-Nilsson - Drums
Linus Abrahamson - Bass
Johan Aldgård - Rhythm guitar

Tracklist:

01. A Promise Unfulfilled
02. Pyroclastic Cluster Torment
03. Rodents Of War
04. Enter Eternal Night
05. Before The Storm Takes Me
06. Cathedrals Beyond
07. The New Flesh
08. The Anatomy Of Insanity
09. Throne Of Scars

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