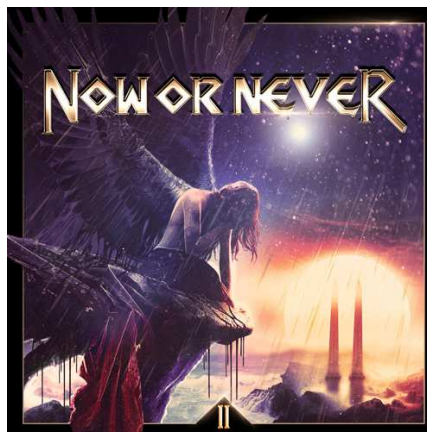


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Band: Now Or Never (DK/CH/F)  
Genre: Hard Rock / Heavy Metal  
Label: Mighty Music  
Albumtitle: II  
Duration: 52:12  
Releasedate: 26.02.2016



The fusion of former and active members of Pretty Maids and Nightmare enters its second phase with the simple title "II". After a short introduction, the album directly starts with fat grooving and pumping, rattling riffs which even appear in some gloomy manner. Due to the long-standing experience of the musicians, the quality standard is audibly put high.

Guitarist Ricky Marx recorded two albums with Pretty Maids, bassist Kenn Jackson has been playing with the group for 20 years even and singer Jon Amore had first played the drums for the French Nightmare for seven years before proving his singing skills for the following 15 years.

The latter is also the most terse feature of Now Or Never, since it doesn't matter if they're brute and powerful tracks like "Sonic Ecstasy", stomping Rock numbers like the slightly modern-kept song "King For A Day" or just two true power ballads like "Til The End Of Time" and "I'll Be Waiting", his voice matches without exception with everything and moves rather within the powerful sphere somewhere between Jorn Lande, Atkins from Pretty Maids and Ronnie James Dio.

On the musical level, first the already mentioned awesome riffs carry weight, which leave the loudspeakers really pithy and crunchy due to the powerful production. However, from my point of view, it is just a bit too much of a good thing because as a result one can hardly remember one single guitar melody. The best example for this is the title "The Answer", which is in my eyes too modern and sounds almost like Disturbed, but in the end this is a matter of taste.

## Conclusion:

The ones who are looking for powerful Heavy Metal with strong, emotional vocals and awesome riffs and are not averse to modern musical sprinklings and sounds, should enjoy the new work from Now Or Never formidably. From my personal perspective, the whole thing is a bit "too much", which is at the expense of the catchiness to a certain extent.

Nevertheless, the album is worth recognition and really rocks remarkably, so that it really pleases its listeners.

Rating: 7,5/10

Recommendations: I'll Be Waiting, King For A Day

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## Lineup:

Ricky Marx – Guitars  
Kenn Jackson - Bass  
Jo Amore - Vocals  
Ranzo - Drums

Tracklist:

01. The Voice Inside
02. Til The End Of Time
03. Sonic Ecstasy
04. King For A Day
05. I Shall Remain
06. I'll Be Waiting
07. The Answer
08. Revolution
09. Save Me
10. Feel Alive

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