

#### THE MONSTERS

"The Monsters" were formed in 1986 in small-town Bern, capital of Switzerland. Their sound is a fuzzedout mix between 60ies garage punk, wild teenage trash rockabilly and primitive rock'n'roll. Its 187% no MTV and top 100 shit! The actual lineup is guitar, bass and the so-called clonedrum: means 2 drummers with only 1 1/2 drums, hitting the same bassdrum from each side.

Besides the countless shows in Switzerland "The Monsters" played extensive tours through Europe including Germany, France, Holland, Belgium, Italy, Austria, England, Denmark, Sweden, Norway and Spain. In 2003 the band toured Argentina, Brasil and New York, in 2005 they had a 3 week tour allover Japan. In 2006 the "20 Years Monsters" show draged 900 people to Reithalle Bern. Needless to say "The Monsters" are a kickass live band who will burn every stage down.

Over the years "The Monsters" recorded 7 albums. Several Singles and EP's and apeared on countless compilations. The record "Youth Against Nature" was recored in the now famous Toe Rag Studios (London) by Liam Watson. "I See Dead People" came with a 1000-piece puzzle, booklet, sticker and button and was allready sold out during the tour. "Garage Punk Vol. 1" is a double LP with 20 years of trash. A new full length album will be out in fall 2011.

The Monsters appear on Voodoorhythm Records, Switzerland. The label is famous for it's taste and style, as it is for the beautiful artwork. Voodoorhythm is run by Beat-Man, who is the singer and guitar player of The Monsters. Beat-Man played - and still plays - in other projects called Lightning Beat-Man, Reverend Beat-Man, Die Zorros and some more. As a one-man-band he toured all of europe, played venues such as Jazz Festival Montreux, Frat Shack, Dour Festival, Eurocene and Las Vegas Grind (USA) on the same bill with acts like Dick Dale, Public Enemy, Ramones, Prince, Ramstein, Bob Log III and more.

...GO SEE THEM LIVE ON STAGE... THEY BLOW YOUR BRAIN AWAY WITH LOTS OF CHAINSAW MASSACRE GARAGE PUNK AND PRIMITIVE ROCK'N'ROLL TRASH...



Live at CBGB's, November 2003

### **RECORDS**

### LP/CD

>>> The Masks

>>> The Hunch

>>> Junglenoise

>>> Youth Against Nature

>>> Birds Eat Martians

>>> I See Dead People

>>> Youth Against Nature, re-issue

>>> Hide and Seek

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>>> Garage Punk Vol. 1 (double)

(Record Junkie, CH, 1992) (Jungle Noise, D, 1995) (Record Junkie, CH, 1997) (Voodorhythm, CH, 1998) (Voodoorhythm, CH, 2002) (Voodoorhythm, CH, 2004) (Sazanami Label, JP, 2005) (Off The Hip, AUS, 2005) (Voodoorhythm, CH, 2006)

(Record Junkie, CH, 1989)

# SINGLES/EP'S

>>> Nightmare

>>> Meets The Betty Pages Of Fright

>>> Rock Around The Tombstone/ Play With Fire

>>> In Hell

>>> Skeleton Stomp

>>> Walking Trough A Cemetery

>>> Fever/Seven

>>> It's Rock'n'Roll/Fever

(Record Junkie, CH, 1988) (Dionysus, USA, 1992)

(Voodoorhythm, CH, 1995) (Jungle Noise, D, 1995) (G.I. Records ,USA, 1997)

(Subway Starr, S)

(Zombie World, CH, 2003) (Screaming Apple, D, 2006)

#### **COMPILATIONS**

>>> Santaclause vs. The Caveman

>>> Wrecking Around The

Christmas Tree

>>> Garagepunk Primitive Rock'n'Roll And Psychotic Reactions From Switzerland

>>> Songs The Cramps Taught Us

>>> SKAmpler

>>> 5 Years Of Jungle Noise

>>> Split-single mit Dead Moon

>>> Larzen Fanzine

>>> Straight Into The Action

>>> Split-single mit Lightning Beat-Man

>>> Swamp Room Happening

>>> Surprise party-split mit T-Bone Bados

>>> Mondo Beat-Man

>>> It Came From Hell

>>> Kongpilation

>>> This is Horror Punk

>>> More To Enjoy Vol. II

>>> Snaps -Primitive Collection

>>> That's Live! at the Wild at Heart

>>> Wild Sazanami Beat!

(Lefthand, CH, 1987)

(Jungle Noise, D, 1991)

(Voodoorhythm/Record Junkie, CH, 1992)

(Jungle Noise, D, 1993)

(Tudor, CH, 1993)

(Jungle Noise, D, 1995) (Record Junkie, CH, 1996)

(Larzen, F, 1996)

(Wild Weekend, D, 1998)

(Mad driver records, I, 1997)

(Swamp Room, D, 1999)

(16tons, CH, 1999)

(Italien, 1999)

(Crazy Love, D, 2000)

(Banana Juice, F, 2000)

(Fiend Force, D, 2003)

(Unfair Records, F, 2004)

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(Aua Records, I, 2004)

(Wild at Heart, D, 2005)

(Sazanami Label, JP, 2005)



Masks, LP, 1989



The Hunch, LP, 1992



Jungle Noise, LP, 1995



Youth Against Nature, LP, 1998



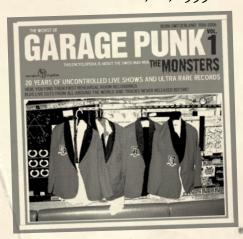
Birds Eat Martians, LP, 1999



I See Dead People, LP, 2002



Hide And Seek, LP, 2005



Garage Punk, LP, 2006





Some posters

- >>> I really love that new MONSTERS CD!! Incredible! Been spinning it on The Wayback Machine and the peoples they be lovin' it, too! Keep ,em coming, my man. Also like the Die Zorros but not as much. It's good, just not as KILLER as that Monsters CD... HOLY COW! (Wayback Machine, USA)
- >>> WOOOOOOOOOOOOOOO, Monsters new LP really kicks ass. It's a bit more garagey than their other stuff, but it's really brilliant it will just blow your mind. There is sooooo much fuzz that special Monsters fuzz sound, it's soooo dirty, raw and acid. Monsters will just mess your mind with their voodoo magic they already messed mine. My favorites are "Kiss You Dead" great fuzz riff, surfy solo guitar, screams from far beyond this world, and creepy "... And Then You Cry" that reminds me of "For Your Love" (Yardbirds). This is one of the best records released this year.

# (No Brains, Holland)

- >>> YEEEEEAAAAAHH BABY! BeatMan is back! The sixth album got it all! 14 songs to go to hell and having fun doing it! Backuped by "the amazing clonedrum" the fuzzpedal gets the full treatement. Beat-Mans "voice" nearly explodes, but theres also one or two instrumentals on the record. The lyrics are all about love and death... trashbeat as trashbeat can! (Anarchy and Peace, Germany)
- >>> Ibland behöver jag rå rak rock. The Monsters har mycket av det jag söker men finner så sällan. De levererar skräpig surfinfluerad garage som inte har det minsta gemensamt med valfritt radiospelat The-band från de senaste två årens våg av ny-rock.

Schweizarnas senaste skiva "I See Dead People" är deras sjätte i ordning sedan starten i slutet av 80-talet. De skriver i det illa formulerade pressbladet att det är deras skitigaste någonsin. Trots att jag möter dem för första gången här har jag ingen anledning att betvivla det. Det här är rått så det förslår.

Om jag ska dra några snabba liknelser, och det ska jag, så skulle jag vilja placera dem tillsammans med tre svenska kollegor. The Strollers för groovet (minus orgel, för detta instrument nyttjar inte The Monsters). The Hollywoods för skräpet och surfen. The Men för stämning och breddad referens.

Sångaren Beat-Man hade inte hunnit skriva några texter innan de skulle spela in skivan, så han hittade på texterna medan de spelade in. Det hörs. Det handlar inte direkt om någon djupsinnig lyrik. Men, så vadå? Det svänger, det funkar och det är härligt enkelt att vråla med.

(Dagenskiva, Sweden)