## Various Artists Killed by Deathrock Vol. 2



After the initial blast of punk rock bands made their impression on the youth of the late 1970s, subgenres quickly emerged. Some preferred the faster, louder aggression of hardcore, others the angular danceability of post-punk, some the raw and more personal home-made sound of DIY, and so on. Looking back among and between these genres we now recognize various blends of punk, post-punk, goth rock, industrial, and DIY as "deathrock." In 2014, Sacred Bones Records launched the series *Killed By Deathrock* to document an entire scene of bands that haven't yet received proper recognition.

The thread that holds these groups together as deathrock bands comes down to their willingness and sometimes compulsion to reveal and explore the darker side of their psyches. Night-soaked dirges of fatality, despair, and horror were rampant, rooted in that sublimity that is found on the edge of the horror genre, as famously developed by Edgar Allan Poe — an edge that relished in misery and openly recognized the inevitable end of any human life.

*Killed by Deathrock Vol.* 2 brings together essential underground bands from Denmark, the United Kingdom, Belgium, California, and Colorado. Though separated initially by the thousands of miles between their local scenes, these bands are united at last under the banner of this eternally underappreciated punk subgenre.

## TRACK LISTING:

- 1 Gatecrashers: Spectator (1:52)
- 2 Middle Class: A Skeleton at the Feast (4:19)
- 3 ADS: Waiting for the War (3:59)
- 4 Veda: Whiplash (4:11)
- 5 Skeletal Family: Promised Land (4:52)
- 6 Flowers for Agatha: The Freedom Curse (5:47)
- 7 Red Temple Spirits: Dark Spirits (4:20)
- 8 Crank Call Love Affair: What's Wrong Yvette (5:08)
- 9 Red Zebra: I Can't Live in a Living Room (2:53)
- 10 Vita Noctis: Hade (3:06)

key information / selling points: Hometown / Key Markets:

• New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, San Francisco, Austin

## Selling Points / Key Press:

- Rare and out-of-print songs by 10 legendary underground deathrock and dark punk bands
- Killed by Deathrock Vol. 1 SoundScan LTD is nearly 3000
- Cover features new artwork by **Alexander Heir** (*Death Is Not the End*, **L.O.T.I.O.N., Death/Traitors**)
- Vinyl comes with exclusive poster designed by Heir

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