

Canadian Metal Support

Interview with "Adytum"



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Band: [Adytum](#)

Label: [Northern Storm Records](#)

Style: Canadian Prog Death Metal

Band Member:

Lead Guitar -Daniel Bonofiglio

Drums -Chase Burns

Lead Guitar/Vocal -Brendan Dean

Bass - Marko Stefan Vukovic = MSV

CMS: Hi Marko, would you give us brief history of the band, who are the members, where do you come from, when was the band formed?

MSV: The current line up is myself on bass, Brendan Dean vocals and lead guitar, Daniel Bonofiglio lead guitar and Chase Burns on drums. This line up has been together since July of 2007. Chase joined the band in 2006. The original line up dates back to 2004 with Brendan, Dan and Ryan, their original bassist, and their original drummer, Dean. Adytum is basically a progressive metal band to keep it simple as far as style goes.

CMS: How would you describe your band for people that never heard it?

MSV: Adytum is music for fans of Dream Theater, Rush, Meshuggah, and Opeth to keep it simple for the type of music we have. The sound of the band is going to be different with each album always but it'll still have the Adytum sound. We have the next 3 albums basically written, just need to fix certain parts but we always write and create new music and have a new feel to move towards. The first release 'Echoes of Refuge' was more of the band wanted to make an Opeth type album, but if you really listen to it you can hear a band that is growing and has their own style developing. That is what drew me to them was they are young, talented and are still developing a sound. The new album sound is less complex structures, more catchy riffs and more death metal vocals compared to primary black metal vocals from Echoes.

CMS: You guys released your Full-length Album "ECHOES OF REFUGE" through "NSR" last year, was the writing process long for this album? Who writes the music and the lyrics?

MSV: I wasn't really in the band at the time; I was more of a friend of the band. As far as the process is now Dan went mental and wrote 42 songs in 2 days and we're still putting our own touches on them 8-10 of those for the next album and keeping the rest for rainy days if we need to. We're still writing new material, even started on something new during our Quevillion Metal Fest trip. Basically its Dan and Brendan who come in with a blue print of the song than Chase and myself learn and add our own things to them. As far as lyrics go Brendan writes them. He is a philosophy major so it's mostly his thoughts transferred on paper as far as I can tell.

CMS: What do you think of the metal scene in Ontario?

MSV: As far as the bands in Ontario go, they are awesome. We have some great songwriters here, and really amazing players. We have bands that aren't all virtuosos but they know how to write memorable songs. If you picked a hand full of Ontario bands you'll hear something different and unique in them all. It is a great scene to be in for all the amazing bands we are brothers and sisters with.

CMS: What do you think about Canadian Metal Scene?

MSV: It's amazing. We just came back from the Quevillion Metal fest and we experienced some bands we've never heard of like Archon, who are amazing listen to them! And we got a great response ourselves from the people and the bands. The Canadian metal scene is pretty close, I have friends in British Columbia, Alberta, Nova Scotia, Quebec. We don't forget each other and always stay in touch. We're a really a small scene but big in heart.

CMS: Actually, there are a lot of Metal Bands in your province-Ontario, do you think that it's kinda hard to become famous in ON?

MSV: There are lots of bands here, many amazing bands. Some bands from Ontario are getting more talk about them like Warmachine, Threat Signal got signed to Nuclear Blast, for example. We're starting to show what we have to offer. I believe the new Adytum album will help bring more attention to the Toronto scene. I don't say that just because I'm in the band it's because I believe this album is amazing. Even the new music from Will of the Ancients, Sylvus, Heaven Ablaze, Battlesoul, Warmachine, Blastomycosis and more will draw more ears towards this province.

CMS: Which Metal Bands from Canada you guys love the most?

MSV: Augury, hands down. Best metal band from Canada as far as we're concerned. We love Martyr, Neuraxis, Unexpect, Deamon, Visions of the Night, Profugus Mortis, Obscuris Romancia, What's He Building in There?, Hallows Die, Incinerated. Some other notable names I'll like to throw in are Devived, Sinned, Ninjaspy from BC. I already mentioned some more in the question above. There are more names but can't really think of anymore right now.

CMS: Any new Canadian Metal Bands you admire the most?

MSV: Archon really impressed me at the Quevillon Metalfest. Reanimator was another awesome band. Bolero and Battlesoul are two new bands I got into recently.

CMS: What do you guys listen to beside Canadian Metal? What was the first metal album that you guys bought?

MSV: I listen to everything. Even right now I'm listening to the new Madonna with Justin Timberlake before that it was Deamon, brutal death metal from Ottawa. Adytum is pretty open to other styles of music outside Metal. We like to keep it open since that way we can continue to develop our playing and writing. I'm trying to become a music teacher and a session musician so I can't really stay to one style, the more you know and listen to the better your playing gets.

CMS: We noted that you guys played in Quevillon Metal Fest last week. Would you tell us what did you learn in QMF2008? What's the circumstances of QMF2008?

MSV: It was the best weekend we had as a band. Everybody was great, Unexpect are amazing people. We never talked to them before but they're great people to hang out with. Thanks to Roxy for being our translator when we tried to order Breakfast! Augury was great to hang out with as usual. Dave the promoter was great. We can't express how amazing it was. I would call it the Wacken festival for Canada. Anybody who hears about it next year HAS to go. The entire city was very welcoming to us and to the other bands. I think every band that played put on their best performance.

CMS: What do you think about "Canadian Metal Support - CMS"?

MSV: I think what CMS does will help launch the Canadian Metal Scene into new lands. Especially since you're not really based in Canada already helps. I hope it draws more of an audience towards all the talent that this country has to offer.

CMS: Hahahahaha, I back to Canada every yr lol...

CMS: Thanks for giving me this interview Marko! Anything you wanna add?

MSV: Check out my other bands, Symetary (we're still looking for musicians to finalize the line up) at www.myspace.com/symetary , Blastomycosis at www.myspace.com/blastomycosis and Muffin at www.myspace.com/muffinmetal

CMS: Once again, Thanks a lot for doing that interview, my friend!!!

MSV: Thank you for taking the time. Hope to hear from you soon and hang out one day!

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