

THE DAILY SHUFFLE



Grammy Highs! Grammy Lows! Photos of Music's Big Night 2



Bon Iver: Exclusive Grammy Q&A 2 of 12



SPIN's 5 Best New Artists for February '12 3 of 12

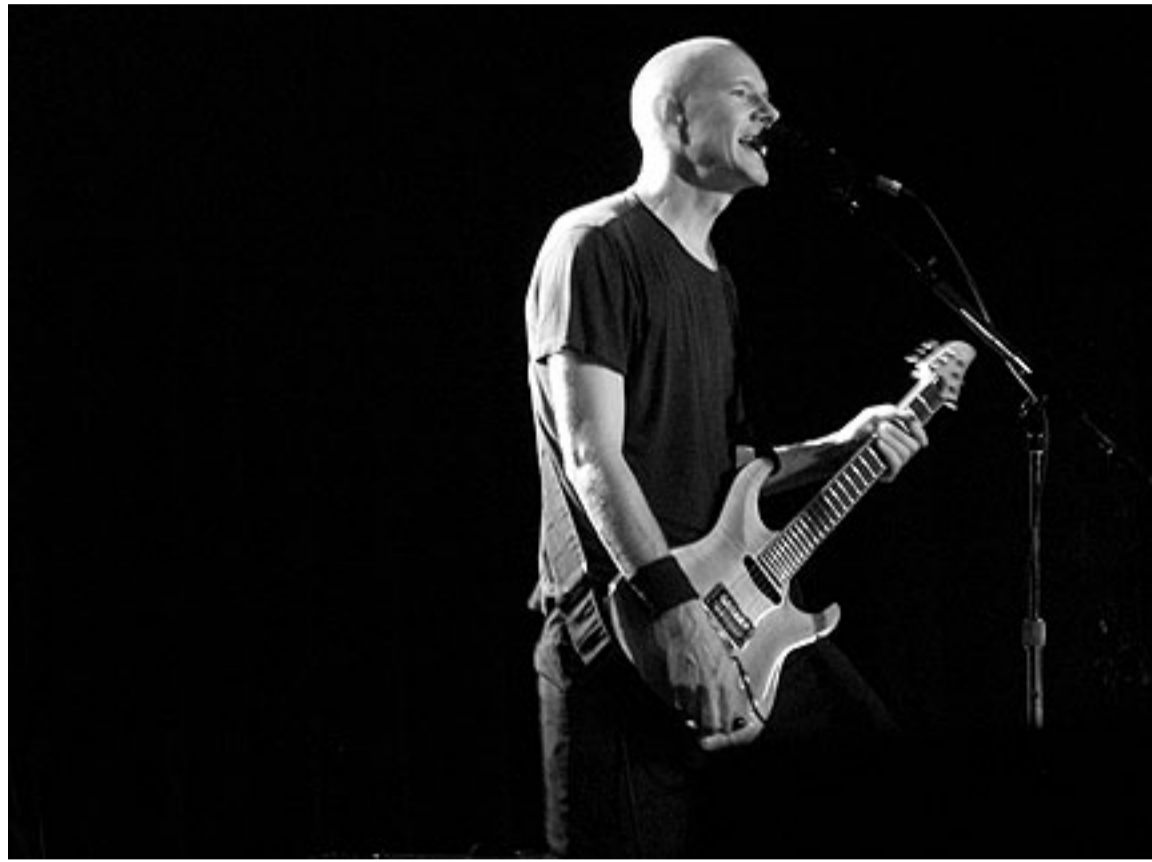


Award Tour: 21 Times the Grammys Saluted the Underground 4 of 12

It Happened Last Night

Chicago Headbangs With Helmet

By Gavin Paul on July 25, 2008 11:01 AM Comment



SHARE

0 0

Facebook Twitter

Share With Friends

Helmet / Photo by Alexis Wilson-Castaldi

Though some diehard fans would scoff at the present-day, ever-rotating lineup known as Helmet, the veterans made like a G 'N R reunion tour and inspired droves to flock into the Double Door last night (July 24) in support of their highbrow headbangery.

Always one to be praised for careening through strident, staccato guitar exchanges whilst still cookie-monstering actual lyrical wit, Page Hamilton was visibly wowing himself with tunes pulled from the band's 19-year catalog, as bandmates literally never missed a note; rockery that equally pleased the mostly 30-year-old dudes blessed with a chance to relive times of metal's recent past.

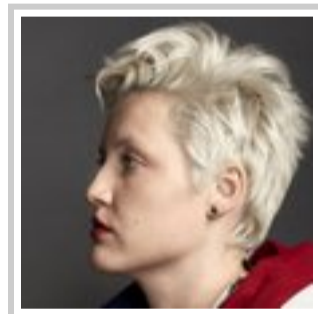
Tales about mastering ones angst ("Ironhead") and deteriorating envy ("Blacktop") from the group's first two LPs invoked mass hair-whips, with fans in the front row clutching the stage like a bench-press, pumping out emotions with every furious rhythmic syncopation.

Hamilton closed the evening with a joke: "It starts off in 5/4. Is that confusing?" asked the brain of the New York outfit before capping with their monster one-time single "In The Meantime," pausing with a smirk before readdressing the crowd's "hell no," by responding, "Good, 'cause we're math rock."

Check out photos from last night on page 2 1 2 next last

Topics: Gavin Paul, Helmet, It Happened Last Night

You might like:



Hear Sarah Jaffe's Smoky, Atmospheric Rocker 'Defense' (SPIN.com)



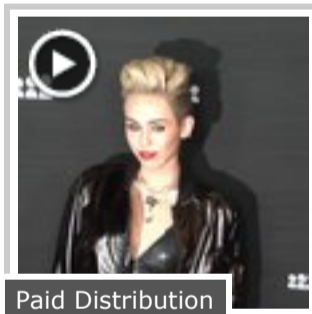
Is 'Yeezus' the Tipping Point for Rap Misogyny? (SPIN.com)



Twin Peaks the Band Channel 'Twin Peaks' the Show on Drifty Dreamer 'Irene' (SPIN.com)



Dreaming the Big Dream: A Conversation With David Lynch (SPIN.com)



Miley Cyrus Wears Underwear on 'Jimmy Kimmel Live' (Yahoo!)

Recommended by

Post a new comment

Login f t g...

You must be logged in to comment.

Post

0 Comments

Most Popular

- NEWS
- PHOTOS
- REVIEWS

SPIN LISTS

- 25 Winter Albums You Gotta Hear
- 5 Best New Artists for February '12
- 50 Best Albums of 2011
- 20 Best Songs of 2011
- Free! 24 Tracks From SPIN's Best of 2011 Issue
- 25 Best Live Photos of 2011
- SPIN's 40 Best Rap Albums of 2011
- 40 Greatest Comedy Albums of All Time
- 125 Best Albums of the Past 25 Years

Connect With SPIN

- Facebook
- Twitter
- YouTube
- Foursquare
- iPad

GET FREE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

E-mail: * Zip Code:

SIGN UP!

More News

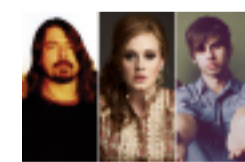


Hear Das Racist Rap on BBU's Fierly 'Please, No Pictures'

- See T.I. and Young Jeezy Literally 'Fuck Da City Up' in New Video
- First Spin: Hear Hollis Brown's Raunchy 'Spoonful'
- 'DoYaThing' By the Numbers: Dissecting Gorillaz/LCD/Andre 3000's 13-Minute Song
- John Peel's Massive Record Collection Will Be Available Online In May

See All News

Contest And Promotions



Grammys 2012 Playlist: Listen to the Nominees

- Grouplove, Gary Clark Jr. Playing SPIN Sessions at Bing Bar During Sundance
- Fruity Rekyalicious Chosen As Readers' Fave Reyka Vodka Cocktail

More Contests & Promos