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HEAVY METAL'S ALL-TIME TOP 100 VOCALISTS



35. LAJON WITHERSPOON

Sevendust's Lajon Witherspoon has always stood out from the crowd. Of course, it helps when you're African-American in an otherwise lily-white rock world. But even more importantly, it is Lajon's wide vocal range—that has impressively gone from gentle purr to roaring rage on a variety of Dust hits—that has proven to be his greatest distinction. While never quite attaining the level of stardom that so many have long predicted for him, Lajon remains one of this generation's most note-worthy frontmen.

"On our early albums I tended to shout most of the time," he said. "Then about the third album I started to inject much more singing into the mix. Now we've hit a happy medium."

IN BRIEF: Stands out from the crowd.



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