



## We Are The Fury

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The first time I heard the self-released version of We Are The Fury's EP *INFINITE JEST*, I must admit that I didn't get it. This was back when keyboardist Todd Wehrle, bassist Alan Hoffer, guitarist Chris Hatfield, drummer Stephan Lublin and vocalist Jeremy Lublin were simply known as The Fury. A few weeks later, I caught the tail end of their show at L.A.-based Club Moscow, and I instantly got it (their vibrant energy flew off stage and found me). And I was embarrassed I had previously missed it. [purevolume.com](http://purevolume.com), not missing a thing, signed We Are The Fury to their new label under East West, and recently released a remixed/re-mastered version of *INFINITE JEST*. I'm lucky to have witnessed this band live several times and have grown to love them. I recently spoke with We Are The Fury's Stephan and Jeremy Lublin.

**SKRATCH:** Being the VERY first band on a new label can be good or bad. What are some factors that made you decide it was good for We Are The Fury?

**JEREMY:** I feel that our music is something new and different. It seems music fans today attach the band image to the label that puts it out, especially with indie labels. We had a few other indie offers, but we really didn't feel like we belonged with the bands on their rosters.

**STEVE:** Being the first, we felt we could define what the label was.

**SKRATCH:** What're some things we can expect from the full-length you are about to record, as opposed to the EP?

**JEREMY:** The EP was a good starting point for us, but people will really start to understand what we are all about after the full-length drops. Expect everything the EP has but more. It will be even more glam, more raw rock and more theatrical than the EP. **STEVE:** For the full length, Daryl Pahamba (Head Automatica, Glassjaw) will be co-producing it along with Tim Patalan (Sponge, Lowdrug, The Fags), who produced our EP. You can expect some guest vocals from Daryl.

**SKRATCH:** Is there a particular reason that you've chosen to stay based in Ohio, instead of moving to L.A. or N.Y. where the action is?

**STEVE:** It kind of seems that there is too much going on in the bigger cities—too many distractions and too much outside influence that affects how we write music. With nothing to do, you become more creative and the songs turn out better.

**SKRATCH:** Impress me with the funniest or craziest tour story about We Are The Fury.

**JEREMY:** I don't think I can give just one, but any time that we party it can get pretty wild. On the last tour, we found Chris passed out in an alley by a homeless shelter one morning; Steve blacked-out and was carried out of the bar by some girls. I hear I become a vampire. I don't know. Buy us drinks because we are broke, and you can be part of the story.

**SKRATCH:** What do you think you'd say about the music you are creating now, if you had heard it when you first started seven years ago?

**STEVE:** When I first started playing with these guys I was 13. I really don't know what I would think of it.

**JEREMY:** I think it takes a little bit of time to understand it. I expect that with some younger people who will hear our EP or record; they might not get it yet either. It might take a little time to become accepted.

**SKRATCH:** If you had a third nipple what would you name it?

**STEVE:** Top. Definitely Top.

**JEREMY:** Is this really a question?

**SKRATCH:** If you could give one member a complete makeover who would it be? Why? And what would you do to them?

**JEREMY:** It's between Alan and Chris. Chris' problem is he lets people cut his hair who've never done it before. That and when he isn't playing a show, he dresses like a bum. Seriously, we will be on the street and people will give him change thinking he's a bum.

**STEVE:** Alan... what can I say. I love the guy... I really do, but right now he looks like one of the guys in *The Cleaners*.

**SKRATCH:** Compare each band member to a cartoon character.

**JEREMY:** Alan is Beavis, Chris is Butthead, Stephan is Bobby Hill's interests mixed with any Japanese anime character.

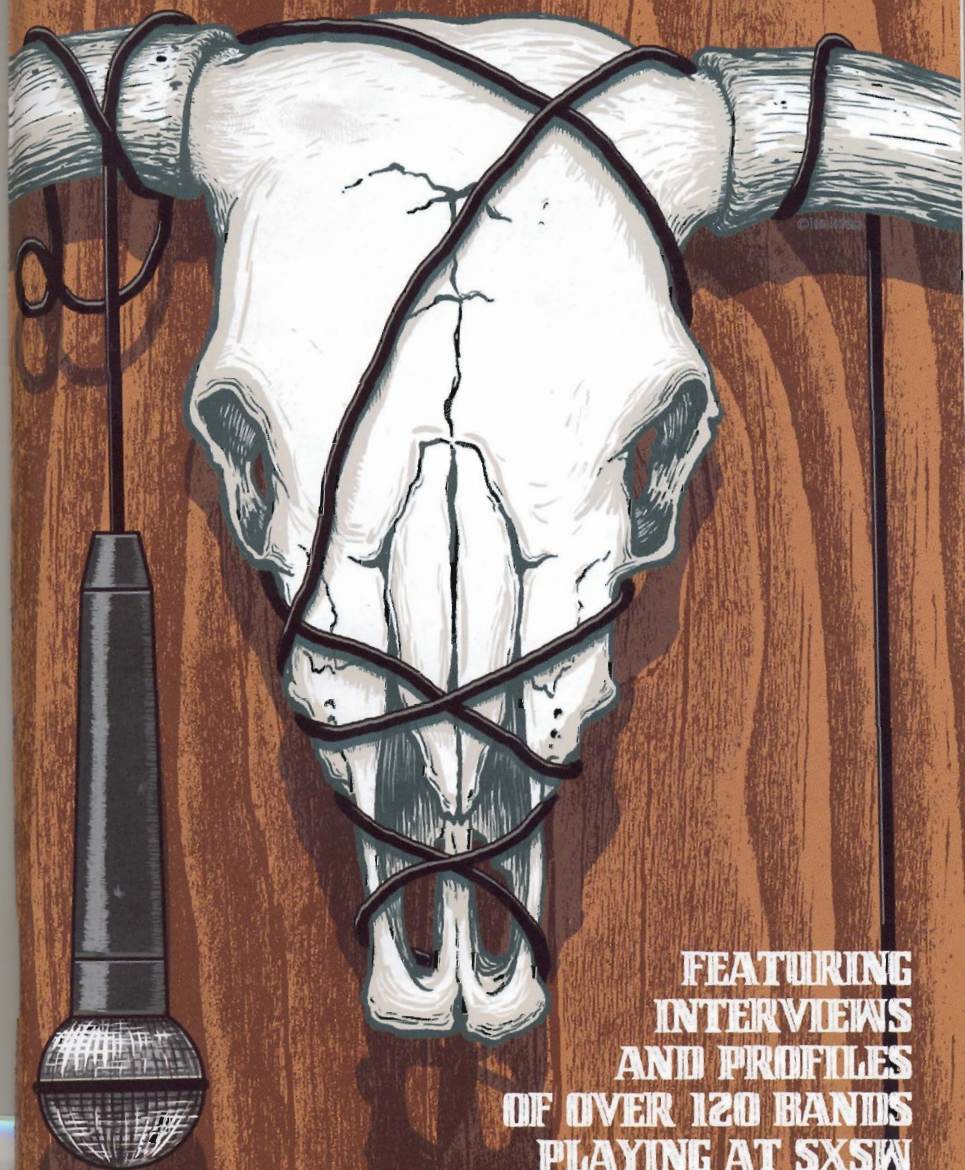
**STEVE:** No way! Bobby Hill's interests? I like the anime thing, but I'm not a loser. Jeremy is Jessica Rabbit (pussy). Todd is The Incredible Hulk. He's a mild mannered guy, but if you piss him off...

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