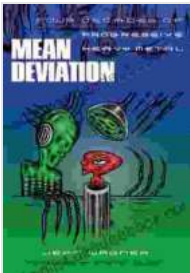


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Mean Deviation is a progressive heavy metal band that has been pushing the boundaries of the genre for over four decades. Their music is characterized by complex arrangements, soaring vocals, and blistering guitar solos. Mean Deviation has released eight studio albums and has toured extensively throughout the world. They are one of the most respected and influential progressive heavy metal bands of all time.

History

Mean Deviation was formed in 1981 in San Francisco, California. The band's original lineup consisted of vocalist Mark Boals, guitarists Mel Sanson and Kevel Chase, bassist Chris Sutton, and drummer Steve Cannillo. Mean Deviation quickly gained a following for their unique brand of progressive heavy metal. They released their debut album, *An to Mean*

Deviation, in 1983. The album was a critical and commercial success, and it helped to establish Mean Deviation as one of the leading lights of the progressive heavy metal movement.

Mean Deviation continued to release critically acclaimed albums throughout the 1980s and 1990s. They toured extensively throughout the world, and they built up a loyal following of fans. In 2001, the band released their first live album, *Live in Tokyo*. The album was a testament to the band's incredible live performances. Mean Deviation continued to release new music and tour throughout the 2000s and 2010s.

Music

Mean Deviation's music is characterized by complex arrangements, soaring vocals, and blistering guitar solos. The band's music is often described as a mixture of progressive rock and heavy metal. Mean Deviation's songs are often long and complex, but they are also very melodic and accessible. The band's lyrics are often introspective and thought-provoking, and they deal with themes such as love, loss, and redemption.

Mean Deviation has been praised by critics for their originality and musical prowess. The band has been compared to other progressive heavy metal bands such as Dream Theater, Fates Warning, and Queensrÿche.

However, Mean Deviation has their own unique sound that sets them apart from other bands in the genre.

Legacy

Mean Deviation is one of the most respected and influential progressive heavy metal bands of all time. The band's music has inspired a generation

of musicians, and they have helped to shape the sound of progressive heavy metal. Mean Deviation continues to release new music and tour the world, and they are still one of the most exciting and innovative bands in the genre.

Discography

- *An to Mean Deviation* (1983)
- *Create Your Own Hell* (1984)
- *Arrival* (1986)
- *Stop the Madness* (1987)
- *Evolution* (1990)
- *Substance* (1992)
- *Time to Testify* (2001)
- *Live in Tokyo* (2001)
- *Escape from Reality* (2004)
- *The Glass House* (2006)
- *Fear No Evil* (2011)
- *Liberty or Death* (2016)
- *The Fallen* (2020)

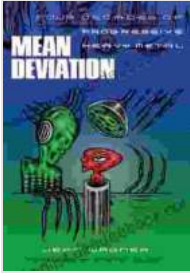
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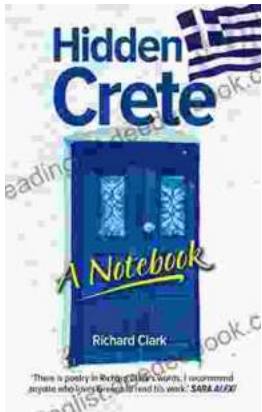
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