

Hey Guys.

I have been discussing this upcoming priority album and one thing that might come up is the fact it is a 'LIVE' album and at the time of releasing, on Domino, the "Greatest Palace Music" record the response initially from sales reps and label managers was kind of "this is just an album of remakes".

BUT we have found in Europe that in many territories "Greatest Palace Music" outsold even the current new release from Bonnie 'Prince' Billy and Matt Sweeney 'Superwolf'.

The point being made is to emphasise that this is a special record and will fit very nicely in the BPB/Will Oldham catalogue.

Here is a nice overview on the record that might be helpful for the sales teams when presenting the record...It's not so much what this record is (a live album) as what it actually is - a good times record with lots of great songs and performances on it, one that the Bonnie fan base will definitely go for...

"Bonnie's live approach is to redress the odd, the favourite and the classic alike with an exciting and challenging new outfit, resulting in an exciting and memorable evening for the audience. "Summer in the Southeast" captures moments from more than a couple such evenings for the benefit of those who've experienced him live as well as those who have not. A generous 17-song track listing finds Bonnie tinkering with tempo, inserting breakdowns, finding harmonies in previously barren territory and even allowing another singer (in this case Pink Nasty) to take care of the lead vocal on a rampaging version of "May It Always Be." Wild chanting made "Death to Everyone" a show-stopper every night; the high-detail recording quality evident throughout the record brings it vividly back to life for at-home listeners.

In a way, this is even more exciting than the Greatest Palace Music album, what with the energy and adrenaline that comes from the presence of the audience. Given Bonnie's propensity for touring as little as possible, this is a document that's been a long time coming. "

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