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A J!-ENT MUSIC REVIEW

ELLEGARDEN

RIOT ON THE GRILL

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DSC-001

Duration: 30:03

RELEASE DATE: April 20, 2005

1. Red Hot
2. Monster
3. Snake Fighting
4. Marry Me
5. Missing
6. Bored of Everything
7. TV Maniacs
8. Rainbow
9. I Hate it
10. BBQ Riot Song

ELLEGARDEN is breaking through sonic barriers as we are shocked by the acceleration of their music and captivated by pragmatic, poetic interpretations of our lives.

This wonderful new band is definitely causing a riot through out various parts around the world.

With songs created in both Japanese and English, the music is being loved by youths of multi-nationalities.

"RIOT ON THE GRILL" is a wonderful compilation as the album presents a multitude of joyful fun-loving melodies.

If you are a punk rock enthusiast, or just a lover of exciting fun music, you will definitely enjoy this album.

Originating from Chiba, this band is creating a wave of incredible fandom throughout the rest of Japan with their music.

Lead vocal/guitarist Takeshi Hosomi has a unique voice that brings in so much personality in ELLEGARDEN through his creative lyrics.

The other talented members in this band would be Shinichi Ubukata on guitar, Yuichi Takada on bass and Hiroataka Takahashi on drums.

This album is full of wonderful music. The tracks begin with a sympathetic monologue, "Red Hot" then jumps into an exciting speed-driven melody.

This song is a great introduction to "RIOT ON THE GRILL" as it delivers high pulsating energy.

"Monster" would be a personal favorite of ours at J!-ENT.

This sweet melody has a naturally beautiful melody to it that makes it fun to sing along to.

"Missing" is a lovely song by ELLEGARDEN.

This song shows the diversity of the band by playing a song in a delicate manner.

"TV Maniacs" is definitely a song to check out.

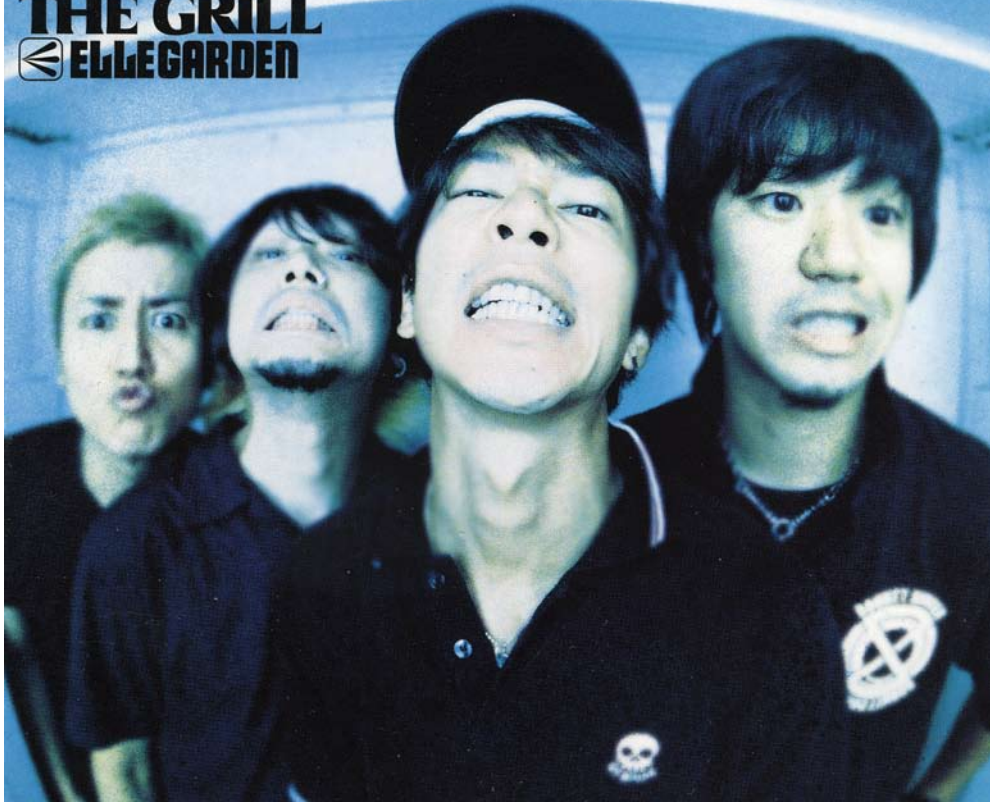
For all of the lovers of punk rock music, this track will definitely have your heart jumping in a euphoric bliss.

Breaking down barriers in Japanese rock music, ELLEGARDEN will deliver a sound that will effortlessly please audiences in many nations throughout the world.

Check out "RIOT ON THE GRILL", it is a wonderful album that should not be missed by anyone.

— EDWIN MACARAEG

RIOT ON THE GRILL ELLEGARDEN



< Breaking through Sonic Barriers

With music in both Japanese and in English, ELLEGARDEN is attracting listeners all over the world

OH TRANCE! SEXY IS DEFINITELY BACK!

Various Artists

EROCAWA TRANCE

avex trax

AVCD-17993, Rel. July 5, 2006

Duration: 1:17:59

I enjoy Eurobeat and I enjoy it even more when its sung by female vocalists.

For those who have purchased a plethora of Eurobeat compilations, they tend to be 90% male vocalists and that 10% has really just made a few of us crave for more Eurobeat with female vocalists (aka "hime" (princess) trance).

Avex trax brings us "Erocawa Trance" which is literally hime trance but focusing on the sexy, erotic side.

The first volume of "EROCAWA TRANCE" features 24 tracks of awesome music from Tatjana, Shampoo, Renegade: Masterz, Blog27, 4 Skips vs. B.R.G., Yinling of Joytoy, J-Pop diva Sifow and many more.

Also, this first volume has a great balance of Japanese and English songs and I really enjoy Eurobeat compilations that include Japanese songs.



Standout songs for me include Tatjana's "Santa Maria" (two remixes on this album), Shampoo's "Bam-Boo", "Play with the Numbers" by Domino (fans of J-POP para para quartet HINOI Team will know this song), "Big Bad Love (Cascada Remix)" by Spring Break, Astroline's "Close My Eyes", Nuage's "Sunday" and many more.

All in all, if you enjoy hime trance, you will definitely enjoy Erocawa Trance. One of my favorite dance compilations. Check it out!
- DENNIS A. AMITH