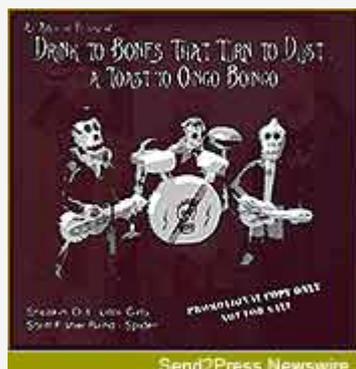


Boingo Gets Toasted – Independent Record Label Pays Homage to Influential Artists

SEATTLE, WA – July 10 (SEND2PRESS NEWSWIRE) – In a recent series of live and Internet-based announcements, executives for Seattle-based independent record label, Dep't of Records revealed the forthcoming release of their first production, Drink to Bones That Turn to Dust: A Toast to Oingo Boingo.



Utilizing an Internet-published open letter to Boingo-founder and composer Danny Elfman [stevebartek.com/forum/viewtopic.php?t=452 – log-in required] and a live formal announcement on stage at the High Sierra Music Festival, plans for an October 31st, 2006 release date of the tribute album were unveiled.

The letter to Elfman was announced simultaneously on numerous official- and fan-sites relating to Oingo Boingo, Danny Elfman, Steve Bartek, and other former Boingo members. The announcement also showed up on the Boingo-related pages of networking websites such as MySpace.

It was also revealed that bands worldwide had participated including: WC Handy Award-nominee Mark Lemhouse, Scott Fisher Band, Sneakin' Out, The Cheats, K23 Orchestra, Delta Nove, and over a dozen additional artists.

The live announcement was made Friday, June 30 by Dep't of Records co-founder Leland Hirschman at the High Sierra Music Festival in Quincy, California, during his introduction of the band Sneakin' Out, whose rendition of the song 'Little Girls' will appear on the album. The announcement was also heard by listeners of "Grizzly Radio," High Sierra's on-site and Internet radio station.

Limited edition promotional discs containing two songs from the album were freely distributed at the High Sierra Music Festival and were made available online as well.

One of the tracks on the promo disc was also played on "Grizzly Radio."

The label also intends to distribute the promotional disc at several additional music festivals prior to the album's release date of Halloween, October 31, 2006. Distribution locales will be made available on the

company's web site.

More information: www.deptofrecords.com

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