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American Speedway
Ship Of Fools
By Keith Carman

Though barely a year old, Philadelphia's American Speedway have already cemented their place in the upper-echelons of gritty sleaze rock with *Ship Of Fools*. Thanks to a throaty vocal delivery and a penchant for the same distorted take on bare-bones, blues-based riffs on nitrous oxide established by colleagues Zeke and the Supersuckers, this quartet blaze through ten tracks like a methamphetamine junkie cooking their first fix in a week. Confident and assertive without hitting the point of cockiness, every second of *Ship Of Fools* asserts that while we are no longer in the fine company of acts such as the New Bomb Turks or Gaza Strippers, the world of punk rock'n'roll is alive again. American Speedway have revived the corpse. (MVD)

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Cancer Bats - Hail Destroyer

While Toronto, ON's Cancer Bats certainly aren't the first band to blend punk, hardcore and metal, they're one of the few bands doing it in a manner that's fresh and exciting. The group's sophomore effort, *Hail Destroyer*, is a more concentrated collection of songs than heard on their debut, < ...Read More



Teenage Head - Teenage Head with Marky Ramone

Okay, so it's not a new record, but this full-length pass at some of the band's best songs (recorded at Toronto super-studio Metal Works with a fucking Ramone pounding the skins) is still totally worth picking up for fans of one of Canada's best known first-wave punk bands. They'll probably be a few ...Read More



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Snow Angels Dir. by David Gordon Green

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director we've always known he'd become, David Gordon Green delivers his fourth film. Green's first two efforts — *George Washington* and *All the Real Girls* — established the director as a voy...
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Boredoms - Super Roots 9

The ninth instalment of Boredoms' epic *Super Roots* series comes a mere eight years after the last entry, and one year following its initial Japanese release. Recorded live at a Christmas Eve performance in Japan, SR9 is but one 40-minute track designed to take advantage of a 20-piece choral e... Full Review



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Lost Odyssey [Xbox 360]

Last month, nerds around the world lost their patron saint, Gary Gygax, the creator of *Dungeons & Dragons*. Back in the day, before discovering girls, grass and bootlegged beer, I'd while away many a Sunday playing *D&D*. I may no longer own a 20-sided die — and, in fact, a recent effort ... Full Review



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