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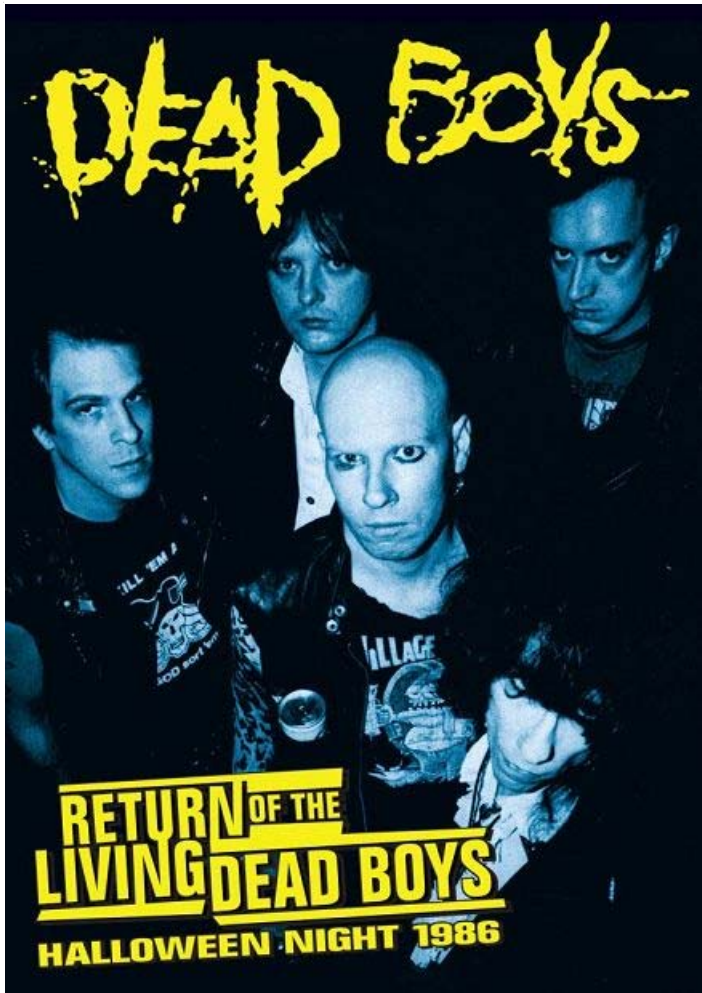


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## Dead Boys Resurrected One Last Time on New DVD

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You don't have to be an old school punk devotee to get a visceral thrill whenever the name "Dead Boys" is uttered. The Noo-Yawk-by-way-of-Clevo quintet—Stiv Bators, Cheetah Chrome, Jimmy Zero, Jeff Magnum and Johnny Blitz—were among the pre-eminent first generation of American punk bands back in the last '70s, with their Sire Records debut *Young Loud and Snotty* remaining one of the classic all time punk platters.

HARP caught the band on their 10th anniversary reunion in 1985 and can testify to the still-potent Dead Boys assault around this time. Just say "Sonic

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Reducer," baby!

Now from MVD Visual comes a 50-minute Dead Boys DVD, *Return of the Living Dead Boys: Halloween Night 1986*, a document of the band's 1986 Halloween night (duh) performance at NYC's Ritz club. As the label informs us, "the gods of punk rock rose from the dead [and] reformed for a short jaunt to pre-Disney NYC and leveled the audience of old heads, burnouts, prostitutes, junkies, geeks and freaks. This DVD is the document of that hallowed evening at the Ritz. Starting with an introduction from long time supporter Joey Ramone, to the power riff of the honest-to-god anthem "Sonic Reducer" (played twice!) to an unreal cover of the Stooges' "Search and Destroy," the Dead Boys put the boot to the notion that all reunions suck."

It's due February 11 and has the following tracks:

Sonic Reducer  
All This and More  
Caught with the Meat in Your Mouth  
Calling On You  
Won't Look Back  
What Love Is  
I Need Lunch  
Ain't Nothing to Do  
Down In Flames  
Son of Sam  
Detention Home  
3rd Generation Nation  
Tell Me  
Search and Destroy  
Flamethrower Love  
High Tension Wire  
Sonic Reducer

Bonus Materials:

- Interview - Stiv Bators and Frank Secich
- Good Morning Youngstown - 1980 (interview with host Gary Cubberly featuring a video of 'Sonic Reducer' (w/different band) by Robert Luttrell

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