

MIRACLE FLAIR rozhovor SMA

Ahoj Nicole. Som nesmierne rád, že aj po viac ako pol roku sa mi váš album stále páči a čo je hlavné, stále znie veľmi dobre. Hoci pôsobíte ako jemná a melodická kapela, vo svojej podstate je vaša hudba postavená na pomerne tvrdé riffy. Obrovské množstvo moderných kapiel sa už však nehlási k tvrdšej metalovej komunite, ale hľadajú škatuľky, vďaka ktorým by vyzerali ako prijateľnejší hudobníci. Cítite sa ako pravá metalová kapela? Vnímate váš vlnajší album metalovo, alebo mainstreamovo ?

Hello Nicole. I am so glad, that even after more than half a year, I still like your album and what is more important, it still sounds very good. Although you act as a soft and melodic band, basically your music is built on relatively hard riffs.

A huge number of modern bands are no longer talking to the hard metal community, but they're looking exact styles, that make them look more acceptable musicians.

Do you feel like a real metal band? Do you perceive your album more metal, or mainstream?

Thanks for the compliment. I'm glad you like it!

We followed our hearts and intuition during the songwriting process and didn't really try to sound like anyone else. Of course there are different influences or hearing habits and our personal taste. We love it all, melodies, good riffs, and also harder stuff – so I guess it's a combination of it all. We do what we love and create music with elements we like but to label is not really our thing. I prefer to leave this to others.

2. Máš ako speváčka nejaké zásady, ktorých sa pri spievaní držíš, alebo to ide z Teba prirodzene?

Do you as a singer have any rules you hold for singing, or does it come out from you naturally?

Over the years I learned lots of techniques, rules, and do's or don'ts in singing. In my own music, on stage, or while recording, I apply it unconsciously and this is not my main focus. It has to be natural in a way. I want to immerse, feel the songs myself, and pass it on to the audience.

3. Tvoj spev mi svojou ľahkosťou a pripomína štýl Anneke van Giersbergen a dokonca mám niekedy pocit, že aj farba gitarovej linky mi pripomína album Mandylión práve od The Gathering. Hlavne ale musím povedať, že vôbec neznieťe surovo ako mnoho kapiel z vašej scény. Bolo skomponovanie albumu „Angels Cast Shadows“ ovplyvnené inými kapelami, alebo sa snažíte dosiahnuť vlastné znenie a nepozerať sa okolo seba?

Your singing by its ease reminds me of the style of Anneke van Giersbergen and even sometimes I feel that the color of the guitar line reminds me of the album Mandylión from the very same band The

Gathering. Especially I have to say, that you don't sound as harsh as many band from your scene. Was composing of the album „Angels Cast Shadow,, influenced by other bands, or were you trying to reach your own way and not to look around?

That's interesting to hear. Thanks for the hint. I will listen to it. Listening and playing various music all these years certainly has had a deep impact on our songwriting and helped us find our style. Our sound on „Angels Cast Shadows“ is a result of playing, hearing, taste, chosen from our ideas and various personal experiences.

4. Vieš mi povedať, do akej miery sa vaša tvorba vyvinula od počiatkov kapely? Mali ste nejaké obdobia, ktoré ste musel doslova zničiť, urobiť zásadné zmeny, alebo to bolo všetko čisto prirodzené?
Can you tell me how much your work has developed since the beginning of the band? Did you have some period that you had to literally destroy, make fundamental changes, or was it all clearly natural?

A lot happened personally, and in our music. Daniel and I have always been the songwriters, the heart and soul of Miracle Flair. We founded, built and organized everything so far. We share the same vision. We kept the writing process the same but after the first album it was logical that we would move more into metal direction. So lets say it was a natural but clear decision to change our style. We still want to move forward and continue to develop. It's not easy to find musicians with the same intention, capacity and passion. That was the reason for changes in the band. Anyway it's necessary to rethink some things from time to time to improve.

5. Veľmi ma zaujíma vaše postavenie doma vo Švajčiarsku, respektíve na scéne v rámci Európy, sveta. Ako vnímate svoju pozíciu? Predsa len máte za sebou pomerne veľký label a Massacre Records robia pre metal obrovskú prácu, ktorá možno pomáha aj MIRACLE FLAIR.
I am very interested in your position at home in Switzerland, or on the scene in Europe and the world. How do you perceive your position? Yet you have a quite big label and Massacre Records are doing a great job for metal, which can also help to MIRACLE FLAIR too.

We still see ourselves in the construction phase. We are willing to learn, to grow, to improve, and are still curious to see what else is possible. The tour with Dark Tranquillity was a perfect chance to collect new experiences, to compare, and to see how people or things can be in different countries. Signing with Massacre Records was a very important step in order to be seen by a bigger audience beyond the national borders and to get new chances.

6. Stretli ste sa po vydaní posledného albumu s nejakými výnimočnými reakciami, ktoré vás možno posunuli vpred, alebo naopak možno zamrzeli?

Ako vnímate svojich fanúšikov? Sú srdeční a vďační za vašu prácu ?
Did you meet after releasing the last album with some exceptional reaction that could move you forwards or maybe made you sad?
How do you perceive your fans? Are they warm and grateful for your work?

The reviews and reactions for the album were pretty good. We were happy about it. Like all artists, we need recognition. That's the best reward and motivates us to continue.
We were able to have some great encounters. It's a beautiful feeling when you know people get the music.

7. Sú dva roky po vydaní albumu „Angels Cast Shadows“. Kam hudobne kráčajú MIRACLE FLAIR a kedy sa môžeme tešiť na ďalšiu nádielku nových skladieb?

It's two years after the release of the album „Angels Cast Shadows „.
What is the next music step of MIRACLE FLAIR and when can we look forward to hear the next piece of new songs?

Yes, our album was released in October'16. We just finished a 5 week European Tour (29 shows in 13 countries) supporting Dark Tranquillity & Equilibrium. Back home, we are highly motivated to work on new songs. It will certainly take some time and I better not commit to a date. In addition to this we already confirmed another tour with 9 or 10 shows in November/December in Russia.

8. Dakujeme Nicole za Tvoj čas. Nejaký odkaz v neme kapely sem na Slovensko?

Thank you Nicole for your time. Any message in the name of the band here to Slovakia?

With pleasure!

Thanks a lot you for your interest in Miracle Flair. We really appreciate it very much and hope to play in your country in the future!

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