

choice cuts



by Eric Harabadian

Syzygy, A Glorious Disturbance (CD/
DVD, SME 090808, www.syzygymusic.com):

The pride of Cleveland, Ohio! No, I'm not talking about the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame! I'm talking about one of the finest U.S. progressive rock bands on the planet—Syzygy! These guys have toiled in various incarnations throughout the Midwest for over three decades. And their music has, even, been praised by legendary world class artists like Patrick Moraz and Steve Hackett. But their shining moment has to be the long-awaited release of this three disc masterpiece. It is a CD, concert DVD

and bonus features DVD package that is a fan collector's dream and a comprehensive gateway into rare modern music delights for the uninitiated. Included is live footage from 2009's Three Rivers Progressive Rock Festival in Burgettstown, Pennsylvania and 2010's Day of Prog Festival in Bridgeville, Pennsylvania. There are nearly five hours of music and extras! And the extras consist of extensive band interviews, historical footage and insight into the creation of one of their most popular albums Realms of Eternity. The camera angles on the live segments are engrossing and transport the viewer to the stage. And the option of 5.1 Surround Sound makes the audio portions of this package engaging and a feast for the ears. Superb musicianship, excellent fidelity, extensive liner notes/lyric sheets and breathtaking graphics make this a must-have for anyone into modern rock that goes beyond!

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