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Posted by [Neil](#) on Tue, 23 May 2006 00:02:46 GMT
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Subject: Re: OT: Kings-X Breakup, interesting read
Posted by [excelav](#) on Tue, 23 May 2006 03:04:54 GMT
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Such a bummer! The music industry sucks!

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Posted by [dc\[3\]](#) on Tue, 23 May 2006 04:50:46 GMT
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Wow, what a story. They are a great band and deserve much more success than they have gotten. I will say that their stuff was more accessible early in their career. They got manhandled pretty badly by the Christian music scene early on and stopped writing obviously devotional stuff, and got less accessible.

Yet, anyone who has heard the live track of "Over My Head" knows that Doug has some, well.. issues to deal with.

Sure, the church people treated him pretty shabbily over the years for being gay, from what I have heard, and that needs to be objected to and loudly, but still they have written pretty obtuse stuff in recent years, despite the obvious great talent displayed.

Personally, I'd like to see them stop smoking pot and being pissed off and write more "Out of the Silent Planet" type stuff, but they won't. Today, we have lots of heavy bands who are Christians and are doing some great work, but it took a lot to get here. King's X started out when really hard stuff was simply not something you could play for church. That has changed. I hope they can still make more great music. Killer band!

DC

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Posted by [Carl Amburn](#) on Tue, 23 May 2006 05:22:19 GMT
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Posted by [Neil](#) on Tue, 23 May 2006 05:34:56 GMT

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However, I think, regardless of any of the other issues he brings up, they never really had a killer single that would get them serious radio play... if you want to sell a few million copies per album, rather than barely a million copies over a lifetime (which still doesn't suck), you really do have to have that aspect going for you.

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Posted by [Carl Amburn](#) on Tue, 23 May 2006 05:53:09 GMT

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You are correct Neil - it is not a 'rant'. I think. Haha. Also - I should clarify that within their songwriting, I think the lyrics are the weak link.

They need to paint a better picture - and a much much cooler one at that.
Doug needs to get off his low-esteem trip and rock some friggin' balls -
like his band sounds like live.

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Posted by [Aaron Allen](#) on Tue, 23 May 2006 05:58:20 GMT
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It's Love was a big hit.. although, I always thought it should've been bigger... Dogman was great. Last few albums I tried to get into though, I just couldn't dig. I think Tape Head was the last one I picked up after a few failed vibe attempts.

Still, real shame for them to come to the place they have. I would like to see them try Europe or Japan before cashing in the chips. Perhaps Germany would better suit their sound? Hopefully they each were wise with any money and won't be asking about do you want fries with that, but I've known some fantastic musicians that starve while complete idiots dance around to a seq track and rake it in.

Zero justice in that man, I feel what Doug is saying there.

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Hah! but they always get lost there!

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Posted by [Tony Benson](#) on Tue, 23 May 2006 16:56:00 GMT
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Posted by [Brian Porick](#) on Wed, 24 May 2006 18:11:57 GMT

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I've been a huge King's X fan since 1990. I'm not sure that Doug's rant here is anything that new. Too bad he continues to be so frustrated, though. I saw these guys live in Chicago back in November, and it was really amazing. They continue to be one of the tightest bands out there. They certainly had a couple of rough records of late (Manic Moonlight, Tape Head), but I thought their most recent (Ogre Tones) was a step back in the right direction.

Anyway, I'm hoping they keep putting out records. Not sure what I'd do without King's X around...

Brian

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