



SWIM PARTY PIXIE DUST ON THE BLOOD RANGE



Swim Party is a three piece indie/alternative/rock band from San Diego, California. Formed in 2005, the members of Swim Party—Alex Devereaux, Petro Halkowycz and Eric Tremblay—came together as two transplants (Halkowycz from New Jersey and Tremblay from British Columbia, Canada) and one native San Diegan (Devereaux). They quickly found shared musical and geeky interests, which propel them to this day. Their first release, an untitled EP (which came to be know as the “Sewing and Blood” EP) from 2006, earned them a nomination for “Best Alternative Album” from the San Diego Music Awards, as well as the prestigious “Extra Special Good” rating from San Diego CityBeat’s annual music review.

The band’s first full-length record entitled **PIXIE DUST ON THE BLOOD RANGE**—released June 30, 2008—has already gained a nomination for “Best Alternative Album” by the San Diego Music Awards. Swim Party was also nominated for “Best Alternative Band”. **PDOTBR** was recorded at Black Box Studios by Mario Quintero (Transfer, Goblin Cock, the North Atlantic), mixed and produced by Jacob Feinberg-Pyne (Bright Eyes, Nada Surf, Modest Mouse, M. Ward) and mastered by John Golden (Sonic Youth, Primus, Superchunk).

- **Swim Party (SP) to be “Spotlight Artist” on CMJ’s & Sonicbids’ websites starting 04/12/09**
- **SP performed 2 songs “live” on Fuel TV’s Daily Habit Program, air date: 03/25/09**
- **SP Featured as Filter Magazine’s “Discovering the Undiscovered” (10/08 online / 02/09 print)**
- **Airplay on: FM94/9 San Diego, 91x San Diego, Indie Pop Rocks, KPRI San Diego**
- **SP has played with: Quasi, Goblin Cock (Rob Crow of Pinback), Frightened Rabbit, Talkdemonic, The Cave Singers, Black Gold, Pattern Is Movement, Grand Ole Party, Transfer, Calla, The Henry Clay People, Le Switch and countless others in over 70 performances**
- **Headlined at: the Casbah (San Diego), House of Blues (San Diego), and the Belly Up Tavern (Solana Beach).**
- **PDOTBR nominated for Best Alternative Album and SP nominated for Best Alternative Band by San Diego Music Awards (SDMA) 2008. Sewing & Blood EP was nominated for Best Alternative Album by the SDMA 2006**

...one of the most original sounds to emerge out of the scene in quite awhile.
Seth Combs, San Diego CityBeat

...leaves me wanting to hear more...sounds like pacific northwest indie rock one track and some sort of post-punk/pop hybrid the next.
Rich, Cable & Tweed

Swim Party sounds more like mountains and trees and driving in the rain—more at home in Puget Sound than on the beaches of So Cal... The band’s 2006 five-song “Sewing and Blood” EP was hailed by the few critics who managed to get a hold of it.
Doug Wagner, San Diego Union-Tribune

...what else can I say about these guys. If I had a label, Swim Party would be the first band I’d sign.
Rosey Bystrak, San Diego: Dialed In

...a completely unique sound that always manages to blow away anyone within hearing distance.
Natalie Kardos, It’s Too Sunny Out Here

It’s bands like Swim Party who make me want to go out and see more shows.
Today’s Pig, Tomorrow’s Offal

Whimsy isn’t something to which a lot of boys (outside of the fey, indie pop circuit) with guitars aspire. Swim Party has it in spades. They also have strength, integrity, and blindingly good songs...I’m instantly a fan...their set in the Atari Lounge was one of the first sets I’ve seen in a long time that really made me smile.
Cullen Hendrix, Dirtbag’s Delight

They’ve got those breezy guitar melodies that sometimes get a little spacey (like The Shins), a vague sense of psych with a wickedly wonderful vocal warble courtesy of singer Eric Tremblay (like Modest Mouse), and some subtly serene string arrangements (like Broken Social Scene). I’m not sure why these four are still unsigned since they represent a cross between three bands who have sold a bajillion albums.
Oh My Rockness

Every song was a rollercoaster ride of pacing between soft and frantic that kept the audience intrigued as to where the band would go next.
Megan Clinard, Performer Magazine

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