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LETTER FROM THE EDITORS

Happy fuckin' New Year, dear readers!

We are as estatic to be ending 2023 with all of you as we are to be bringing you into 2024! We thank you for making our establishing year an amazing one. I can go on about how much it means to us, but then this letter would be far too long and embarrassingly sappy.

Unfortunately, the holidays got the best of all of us, so this is a shorter issue- perfect to look through while you nurse that New Year hangover!

In some other news, we now have an ALLOY Zine Spotify page, where all our past and future rec lists will be available! As usual, the recs page will have footnotes indicating if a song is only available on another platform.

Here's to ringing in the new year right!

In Rage And Love,

*Rebel Haze*

# A Year in Review: The Best Albums that Dropped in 2023

By VYV RIFF

Of course, this is not ALL the albums that dropped throughout the year - there are tons more! These are just a few select favorites of my own. Feel free to surf the web for more!

## JANUARY

- 10 || IMPERIUM DEKADENZ - *Into Sorrow Evermore* (Black metal)
- 13 || OBITUARY - *Dying of Everything* (Death metal)
- 13 || SCREAMER - *Kingmaker* (NWOOTHM)



## FEBRUARY

- 03 || SANGUISUGABOGG - *Homicidal Ecstasy* (NWOOSDM)
- 10 || IN FLAMES - *Foregone* (Melodic Metalcore)
- 17 || AVATAR - *Dance Devil Dance* (Heavy metal)
- 17 || HELLRIPPER - *Warlocks Grim & Withered Hags* (Black, Speed metal)

## MARCH

- 10 || EMPLOYED TO SERVE - *Conquering* (Metalcore, Heavy metal)
- 10 || JUDICIARY - *Flesh + Blood* (Crossover thrash, Hardcore)
- 10 || SUICIDE SILENCE - *Remember... You Must Die* (Deathcore)
- 17 || CHELSEA GRIN - *Suffer in Heaven* (Deathcore)
- 24 || BABYMETAL - *The Other One* (Kawaii metal, Metalcore)
- 24 || LITURGY - *93696* (Black metal) (Singer is a trans woman!)



## APRIL

- 14 || HOLY MOSES - *Invisible Queen* (Thrash)
- 14 || OVERKILL - *Scorched* (Thrash)
- 21 || CENTURY - *The Conquest of Time* (NWOOTHM) (Debut album!)



## MAY

- 05 || TYGERS OF PAN TANG - *Bloodlines* (Heavy metal)
- 12 || CATTLE DECAPITATION - *Terrasite* (Death metal, Deathcore)
- 26 || ELEGANT WEAPONS - *Horns For a Halo* (Heavy metal)
- 26 || IMMORTAL - *War Against All* (Black metal)
- 26 || METAL CHURCH - *Congregation of Annihilation* (Heavy, Thrash)
- 26 || VOMITORY - *All Heads Are Gonna Roll* (Death metal)



## JUNE

- 02 || GRAVEWORM - *Killing Innocence* (Melodic Black, Death, Gothic Metal)
- 09 || GODFLESH - *Purge* (Industrial metal)
- 09 || LEGION OF THE DAMNED - *The Poison Chalice* (Thrash/Death)
- 09 || PYREXIA - *System Of the Animal 25* (Death metal)
- 16 || CREEPING DEATH - *Boundless Domain* (Death metal)
- 16 || FIFTH ANGEL - *When Angels Kill* (Heavy, Power metal)
- 23 || DEATHCOLLECTOR - *Death's Toll* (Death metal, NWOOSDM)
- 30 || BEFORE THE DAWN - *Stormbringers* (Gothic, Gothic-Doom, Melodic death)



## JULY

- 07 || BLACKBRAID - *Blackbraid II* (Atmospheric Black metal) (Indigenous!)
- 08 || CRISIS - *Metal Possession* (Thrash)
- 21 || 10 TO THE CHEST - *Split The Fuck Open* (EP) (Goregrind, Death metal)
- 28 || GIRLSCHOOL - *WTFortyfive?* (Heavy metal)
- 28 || ORGAN DEALER - *The Weight of Being* (Grindcore)
- 28 || WARFIELD WITHIN - *Beast Inside* (Death metal)



## AUGUST

- 04 || CRYPTA - *Shades of Sorrow* (Heavy metal)
- 11 || PAGEANT - *Walkin' the Line* (Glam rock)
- 11 || KATAKLYSM - *Goliath* (Death metal, NWOOSDM)
- 25 || ALICE COOPER - *Road* (Heavy metal)
- 25 || INCANTATION - *Unholy Deification* (Death metal)
- 25 || U.D.O. - *Touchdown* (Heavy metal)
- 28 || EXHUMED - *Beyond the Dead* (Deathgrind, Goregrind)

## SEPTEMBER

- 08 || CRYPTOPSY - *As Gomorrah Burns* (Death metal)
- 08 || DYING FETUS - *Make Them Beg For Death* (Brutal Death metal)
- 15 || TOMB MOLD - *The Enduring Spirit* (Death metal)
- 22 || 3TEETH - *EndEx* (Industrial metal)
- 22 || CANNIBAL CORPSE - *Chaos Horrific* (Death metal)
- 22 || KERRIGAN - *Bloodmoon* (NWOOTHM)
- 22 || STARBENDERS - *Take Back the Night* (Glitter rock; Hard rock)
- 29 || KK's Priest - *The Sinner Rides Again* (Heavy metal)



## OCTOBER

- 06 || CARNIFEX - *Necromanteum* (Deathcore, Symphonic metal) (Fun mix, eh?)
- 06 || IRON SAVIOUR - *Firestar* (Speed/Power metal)
- 27 || DORO - *Conquered: Forever Strong & Proud* (Heavy metal)
- 27 || ICARUS WITCH - *No Devil Lived On* (NWOOTHM, Doom metal)
- 27 || LOWER CREATURE - *Witch Supreme* (Thrash/Death/Crossover)



## NOVEMBER

- 03 || ANGRA - *Cycles of Pain* (Power metal)
- 03 || SPIRITBOX - *The Fear of Fear* (Metalcore, Alternative metal)
- 03 || SUFFOCATION - *Hymns from the Apocrypha* (Brutal Death metal)
- 17 || SADUS - *The Shadow Inside* (Thrash, Death)
- 17 || SODOM - *1982* (EP) (Thrash)
- 24 || DESTRUCTOR - *Blood, Bone And Fire* (Thrash, Power, Heavy metal)
- 30 || FOXY VENUS - *Love Chaser* (EP) (Glam/Hair rock/metal)



## DECEMBER

- 01 || COBRA SPELL - *666* (Heavy metal)
- 01 || EMBRACE YOUR PUNISHMENT - *Made Of Stone* (Brutal Death metal, Hardcore)
- 08 || ATREYU - *The Beautiful Dark Of Life* (Alternative metal, Metalcore)
- 08 || CRYPTWORM - *Oozing Radioactive Vomition* (Brutal Death metal/Slam)
- 08 || DIMMU BORGIR - *Inspiratio Profanus* (Black metal) (Inspiration!)

**ANTICIPATED & UPCOMING ALBUM RELEASES IN 2024**

(as of 29 Dec 2023)

**JANUARY**

- 19 || SAXON - *Hell, Fire & Damnation*
- 19 || MASTER - *Saints Dispelled*
- 19 || SCANNER - *The Cosmic Race*

**FEBRUARY**

- 09 || MORBID SAINT - *Swallowed By Hell*
- 23 || JOB FOR A COWBOY - *Moon Healer*
- 23 || MICK MARS - *The Other Side of Mars*

**MARCH**

- 01 || DORO - *Conqueress - Extended (EP)*
- 01 || MESSIAH - *Christus Hypercubus*
- 01 || SUICIDAL ANGELS - *Profane Player*
- 08 || JUDAS PRIEST - *Invincible Shield*

**APRIL**

- 12 || RIOT V (prev. RIOT) - *Mean Streets*

**BANDS WITH ALBUMS MADE... BUT NO RELEASE DATE YET**

- DEICIDE - *Banished by Sin*
- KING DIAMOND - *The Institute*
- PESTILENCE - *Portals*
- SAVATAGE - *Curtain Call*
- SLIPKNOT - *Look Outside Your Window*
- WARLORD - *Free Spirit Soar*
- WHIPLASH - *Old School American Way*

**BANDS WITH MATERIAL COMING & IN PRODUCTION**



- ACCEPT
- ANTHRAX
- ARMORED SAINT
- ARTILLERY
- BROKEN HOPE
- CRADLE OF FILTH
- DARK ANGEL
- DEATH ANGEL
- DEEP PURPLE
- DISMEMBER
- DREAM THEATER
- EUROPE
- EVILDEAD
- EXODUS
- FEAR FACTORY
- FLOTSAM & JETSAM
- GOJIRA
- GORGUTS
- HELLOWEEN
- HIRAX
- KITTIE
- MARTY FRIEDMAN
- MORBID ANGEL
- NAILS
- NASTY SAVAGE
- NIGHTWISH
- ONSLAUGHT
- OZZY OSBOURNE
- ROB ZOMBIE
- SACRED REICH
- SATYRICON
- SEVERE TORTURE
- SODOM
- SPIRITBOX
- SUICIDAL TENDENCES
- TESTAMENT
- W.A.S.P.
- WARBRINGER
- Y&T (aka YESTERDAY & TODAY)





MONTHLY SONG RECS

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1. War Isn't Over Yet - Starchild / Magic Well (NWOTHM, Power metal)
  2. Black Widow - U.D.O. / Animal House (Heavy metal)
  3. The Dragon Has Returned - Eternal Drak / Drak Metal (Black/Groove/Thrash Metal)
  4. Referat IV B 4 - Protector / Excessive Outburst of Depravity (Thrash/Death Metal)
  5. Don't Forget About Me - Forgotten. / Suffering in Silence (DSBM)
  6. Christus Hypercubus - Messiah (Single) (Thrash/Death)
  7. Possessed by Guilt - Ballista (Single) (Death metal, Hardcore)
  8. Minds Under Pressure - Master (Single) (Death metal)
  9. Violence Fetish - Disturbed / The Sickness (Nu Metal)
  10. Thundersteel - Riot / Thundersteel (Heavy Metal)
  11. Return Of the Warlord - Manowar / Louder Than Hell (Power Metal)
  12. Conquistadores - Running Wild / Port Royal (Heavy/Power/Speed Metal)
  13. The Place I Hide - Desecrator of Sanctuary / The Place I Hide (DSBM)
  14. Under the Stars - Tanith / In Another Time (Heavy Metal)
  15. Baby Tonight - Wanted / Til the Day I Die (Glam metal)
  16. Mentis Insanas - Armagedom / Silêncio Fúnebre (Thrash/Death)
  17. Persecuted by Death - Old Funeral / Our Condolences (Death Metal)
  18. Angel Eyes - Spiritbox / The Fear of Fear (EP) (Metalcore) ("Wack as hell"-Vyv)
  19. Malum Incarnatus Est - Demony / Diabolica Blasphemiae (Black Metal)
  20. Revolucao - Forca Macabra / 25 Anos na Estrada Mas por Favor Não Feche o Túmulo Ainda (Thrash/Crossover Thrash/Crust punk)
  21. Blood Stained Heritage - Crypta / Echoes of the Soul (Death Metal)
  22. hate!hate!hate! - Hikari Shiina / Fukanzenna Boku To Kanseisareta Shakai (J-Metal, Kawaii Metal)
  23. Snake Pit - Meanstreak / Roadkill (Thrash Metal)
  24. Over the Top - White Wizzard / Over the Top (NWOTHM)
  25. Chemical Vacation - Catatonik / Rushing the Flame (Nu metal)
  26. Call Me A Symbol - Jinjer / Wallflowers (Metalcore)
  27. Shadow Within - Crypta / Echoes of the Soul (Death Metal)
  28. Skelecidal - Atomic Witch (Single) (Thrash)
  29. Her Voice Resides - Bullet For My Valentine / The Poison (Metalcore)
  30. Sanctuary - Asleep At The Helm / Keepsake (Metalcore)

NOTES:

\*DSBM actually stands for Depressive Suicidal Black Metal... Please ignore what I said in the previous issue. LOL. -Vyv Riff