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For Fans Of:
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Track Listing:

1. Got all this Waiting
2. Non Non Non
3. Don't Make Waves
4. Rules for Love
5. Ain't it the Truth
6. Arkansas Heat
7. Confess
8. Gone Tomorrow
9. Dangerr
10. I wanna Be Your dog (w/ Chromatics)

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THE GOSSIP

"UNDEAD IN NYC" LP/CD

In the late 1990s, three youngsters called The Gossip brought the blues and gospel of their Arkansas roots to Olympia, WA, hotbed of punk, riot grrrl and queercore. All three—Beth Ditto, Kathy Mendonca, and Nathan Howdenschell had a lot to offer the already bursting-with-originality Olympia scene: Kathy played the best minimalist garage drums this side of Detroit, and with Nathan's raw and raucous blues guitar, the band would've been notable with any vocalist. But it was Beth Ditto's mournful, bluesy howl that shot the band into a league with other great punk/garage bands. Beth stripped her music down, but filled up every room and every fan's eardrum with her incredibly rich, Elvis-from-hell yowl. Soon, the band was opening for Sleater-Kinney, et al., and before long, The Gossip signed to Olympia's Kill Rock Stars label, releasing, to date, an EP and two full-lengths.

Now, Hollywood, CA's avant-punk-blues label, Dim Mak, is blessing you with a live album from this essential band. Undead in NYC, to be released Sept. 9, 2003, was recorded in a single night at New York's Knitting Factory in July 2002. Like most bands who draw their strength from simple music played with relentless power, The Gossip are meant to be seen onstage. Beth Ditto's vocals fill venues with an auditory tidal wave, and as a frontwoman, her bantering interaction with the audience is legendary. Famous for calling out the NME's sexism at a London show, and frequently removing her clothing for her own pleasure, Beth is bratty, funny, rude, sassy, always engaged and always engaging. Undead in NYC brings her commanding, live presence to record for the first time. Also featured is a cover of The Stooges' classic, "I Wanna be Your Dog," on which The Gossip are joined by GSL recording artists The Chromatics.

Dim Mak has numerous Gossip-related releases in the pipeline. Guitarist Nathan (aka "Brace Paine," in certain cases) released an album in May of this year, Youth Controllerzzz, with his new band Die Monitr Batss'; and an album by his newest band, Deep Jail, will be out soon. Nathan also joins Beth Ditto in a new band called Cold War, which will release a record on Dim Mak this year. But of all The Gossip's upcoming projects, Undead In NYC is the best document of their spectacular talents.

Other releases by members of Gossip on Dim Mak:
DM041: Die Monitr Batss "Spread Your Legs Release the Batss" 7"
DM042: Die Monitr Batss "Youth Controllerzzz" CD
DM058: Deep Jail 12"/CD (TBA)
DM059: Cold War 12"/CD (TBA)

Members:

Beth Dittto: Vocals
Brace Paine: Guitar
Kathy Mendonca: Drums

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