

KMFDM Band Bio

(Long Form)

KMFDM - Kein Mehrheit Fur Die Mitleid
Roughly Translated: No Pity for the Majority

Spawned in Germany during 1984, **KMFDM** pioneered the crossover between techno/dance and heavy metal with their signature industrial sound. Moving to Chicago in the mid-80's **KMFDM** was the pride of WaxTrax! Records during the label's peak. Rapidly evolving year by year through intense experimentation and touring; the band has redefined themselves with each new release.

Venturing on to dabble in side projects and then re-establish **KMFDM** in Seattle during 1999, Sascha's revolving band of misfits have stood the test of time. Currently helmed by the dual vocal attack of the band's founder Sascha and siren Lucia **KMFDM** celebrated 20 years of musical excellence by performing 62 shows in the US, Canada, Europe and Australia in 2004.

To quote themselves, "The future belongs to those of us still willing to get our hands dirty". Living by their D.I.Y. philosophy, **KMFDM** has launched their own online store, **KMFDM Store** (www.kmfdmstore.com) and record label, (**KMFDM Records**). In 2005 they embarked on a World Tour of 18 countries in support of their full length CD *Hau Ruck*. 2006 saw the release of a new remix EP titled *Ruck Zuck* and the *Hau Ruck Zuck* USSA Tour. 2007 brought *Tohuvabohu*, featuring a grand mixture of the band's many styles. In 2008 they released their first full blown remix album ever, *Brimborium*.

Celebrating their 24th Anniversary on February 29th, 2008, the band announced **KMFDM 24/7**, a series of twenty four seven inch vinyl singles featuring tracks from the band's original 12" singles and classic album cuts. The singles will be released on the first of every month in the order they were originally released for 24 months culminating on Feb 01, 2010 with a brand new exclusive single. Each of the 24 singles is available in a Limited Edition First and Only Pressing of 250 copies. All tracks have been remastered specifically for vinyl and the covers for all the singles will feature original classic **KMFDM** artwork, most by famed **KMFDM** cohort Brute!. All **KMFDM 24/7** releases are exclusive to the **KMFDM Store**.

KMFDM remain a musical entity to be reckoned with. Through relentless musical exploration and reinvention they have continued to top themselves. **KMFDM's** forthcoming 2009 album, *Blitz*, due out on March 24th, is no exception. Featuring an electro cover of The Human League's "Being Boiled", the Russian language "Davai", the German sung "Potz-Blitz!" and the disco-amped "Strut".

And now **KMFDM** has announced . . . *Skold vs. KMFDM! Skold vs KMFDM* is the new 22 track album by Tim Skold and Sascha Konietzko. The juggernauts of the alt-underground come together again to tear it apart. *Skold vs KMFDM* will be released on

February 24th, 2009 on **KMFDM Records** exclusively through the **KMFDM Store** in fan-friendly CD, audiophile Vinyl and high quality MP3 formats.

As further evidence that their 25th year, 2009, will be one to remember, the band are set to take Europe by storm, hitting a number of festival and headlining dates across at least six countries in the Spring and Summer. Later this year they will make their way back to the US and Canada for more stops on the Kein Mitleid Tour 2009.

In addition to their new material **KMFDM** has re-released their entire back catalog from the band's WaxTrax! Records era as **KMFDM Classics** via Metropolis Records/**KMFDM Records**. All **KMFDM Classics** are remastered with deluxe booklets and some contain extra tracks. Their ten classic albums, *What Do You Know*, *Deutschland?*, *Don't Blow Your Top*, *UAIOE*, *Naive*, *Money*, *Angst*, *Nihil*, *Xtort*, *Symbols* and *Adios* are available now.

To accompany the **KMFDM Classics**, **KMFDM** has released *Extra*, a three volume set of double disc collections of all **KMFDM** tracks not included on the ten **KMFDM Classic** albums. It features remastered tracks from the band's 12" singles and CD singles. All of the material on *Extra* has been out of print for many years. *Extra Vol. 1*, *Vol. 2* and *Vol. 3* are out now on Metropolis Records/**KMFDM Records**.

The classic **KMFDM** side project **Excessive Force** has had their entire catalog re-released with the same treatment given to the **KMFDM Classics** by Metropolis Records/**KMFDM Records**. Both *Conquer Your World* and *Gentle Death* are out now.

As can plainly be seen, the self-proclaimed fathers of industrial-rock show no signs of stopping.