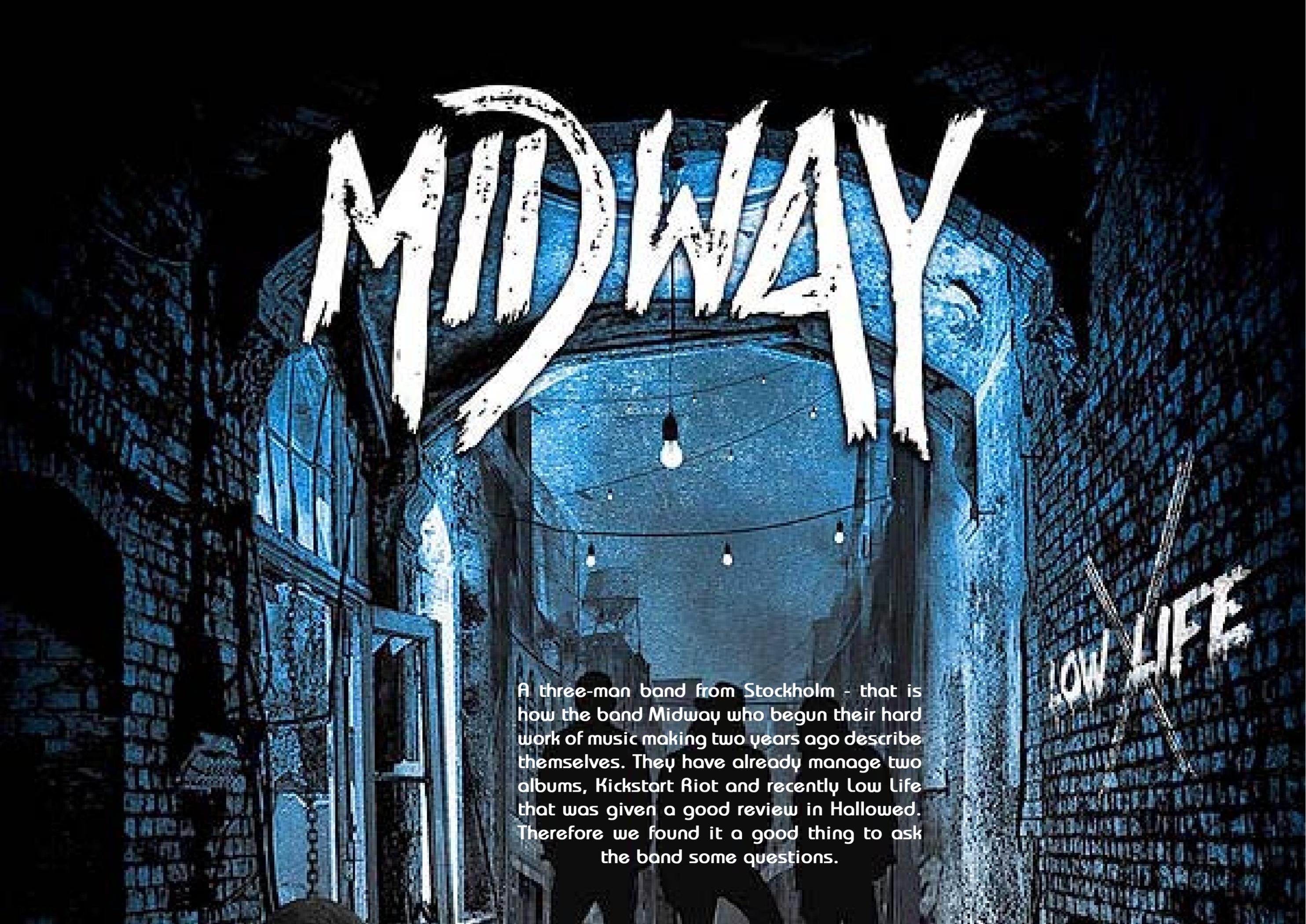


MIDWAY



A three-man band from Stockholm - that is how the band Midway who begun their hard work of music making two years ago describe themselves. They have already manage two albums, Kickstart Riot and recently Low Life that was given a good review in Hallowed. Therefore we found it a good thing to ask the band some questions.

So, Midway started their path two years ago, rehearsed a lot from the beginning and they even ended their employments to create music. And they created fast, the first songs were recorded in a studio named Kingside. Where they met Otto and Lina who became Midway's manager and record label. Not long ago the band released the album "Low Life" that according to the band themselves haws more serious song writing and a newer sound.

On the subject of history, I think Midway is a catchy name but perhaps not really a common styled name and I wouldn't say that the story behind it is the strangest I have heard either.

- Leaf came up with it since we always met on the street outside the rehearsal room, we all met there midway.

And the story about what inspires Midway in their creative endeavours is equally simple.

- We are inspired by all kinds of music really, and by many who have been, or are successful in music. And it is means any kind of music that is being played on an instrument, we like the handiwork.

They think you should experience their own handiwork yourself since it is such a difficult task to describe it, and they think that perhaps the best way to know is to see the band like. But energy and emotion is something the band what to highlight as strong ingredients in their music, and that is something also mentioned in the Hallowed review of "Low Life" so that is probably something you can expect to hear on that album.

Low Life

Late last year "Low Life" was re-

leased, an album with which the band says to have found a recipe to work from. Where the entire trio is involved in the song writing and where they have found their way to write music.

- "Low Life" is the first album where we play as a trio. As the formation that Midway will be, it has the sound we want to continue having.

"Low Life's" release late last year also means that Midway has released two albums in a rather

short time, two fairly different album if one is to believe what the band themselves states.

- "Kickstart Riot" is actually a rather different type of sound. It is more hardrock and a madder feel, more playfulness in both text and music. "Low Life" still have the same energy and it is more well written and you can feel that the band has found their way.

It has been a development between the two album and the band states that they have evolved as

musicians and as best friends and also conclude that you need to find best friends to have the energy to rehearse as much as they do. A fairly logical conclusion when you think of how close a band can be and how much you can get one each other's nerves if you are not the greatest of friends. But then the question becomes about what these friends are most pleased with about their new album "Low Life".

- Our new sound, and that it re-

ally feel right. From the first song to the last.

A search on the internet doesn't really answer the question about the interest for this new album, and the band themselves say that it is a hard question to answer as the album only has been out for a short while. But they say that it seems to be a fairly large interest and that they have gotten some new fans but that they also hope to reach an even larger audience. They seem to have gotten some

good reviews, at least as far as I can find - and that seems to be the band's view as well.

- The reactions have been better after "Low Life" than after "Kickstart Riot".

Touring

Touring seems to be something the band is doing a fair bit of, at the time of this interview they had been touring in Poland, Slovakia and the Czech Republic. And this year they are looking to



visit Finland, Germany and Spain to play their songs. Perhaps they will also visit some festival. And it is on the stage that Midway is at their best, according to themselves it is playing live is their number one priority.

- It is on the stage we are at our best. We have to be allowed to say that as it was because of that we now have a record contract.

And they probably get to see a number of stages during their travels, but perhaps not the biggest and most prestigious, yet. But if the band gets to dream a little, what would be the stage they most of all would want to play at?

- Wembley.

Short answer there, and the answer to the question about what band they most of all would go on tour with is equally clear.

- The Winery Dogs of course.

That tour with The Winery Dogs that takes them to Wembley is probably not in the band's most immediate plans, some more down to earth things are there.

- We are making a music video, photo shoot and hopefully a big show in Stockholm where we hope to see some bookers and journalists. And as always we go into the rehearsal room again and rehearse. Rehearse, rehearse, rehearse...

With that we thank Midway for taking their time to answer our questions and wish them the best of luck with their upcoming adventures in the rehearsal room. Midway's latest album "Low Life" is out now.

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