Grand and massive are words that can be used when describing Bavarian band Called Grand Massive who recently released their third album. That album called III was well received by us here at Hallowed, which is why we got around to asking some questions about the band.

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Grand Massive is described as want. a band of friends by Jochen (Boyoungest but still enjoying playterms of them being massive as in massively heavy. fat) there can't really be a much can it?

- We had a list with about 10 na- head-crushing grooves mes and we wanted a name that shows the direction of the music. We started without a singer and

PHOTOS: GRAND MASSIVE PRESS PHOTOS Massive bigger as it is anyway, they had written shortly after the

ellath, guitars), and not as the inspired the name and their inspirations is not that place either ing together making massive as it is life, the world and the muriffs and massive metal. And for sic and speaking about the music had ideas together and a real a massive band like this (not in it can be described as something plan. It was important for us

- We are a massive Metal squad, better name than Grand Massive, back with their third album full of heavy, doom-loaded riffs and

And on the subject of that third album, the band sees that as a big step forward for the band as wanted my long-time friend Dawe wanted to create something the debut was a self-made probig on the guitars, something ject realised with some friends heavy, dark and mighty. So we while the second one called "II"

found Massive. And to make was made using older songs that Grand was the perfect part for debut but never released. It was the name. Double Massive if you also the first with the new line-up and according to Jochen it turned It is not Le Grand Massif that out awesome, but this time they had a plan.

> - The new album was the first time we had the band together, to get a heavy sound and chose very early well-known studios and a legend behind the desk. To work with Andy Classen, who did some of our favourite bands, was one of the first important decisions about "III". And that we vid Johannesson from Mustasch on the record was the second. Darker and more violent than

describe "III" if you slightly twist the reason to record songs, which the words in the answer.

tal fans will think the same.

## Feedbacks and promotions

Many bands often claim that their latest release is their best and they are not very often correct in that assumption, but it is not the case with Grand Massive. But they also claim that it is difficult to say because they like every are good for different reasons release they have made.

- I really can't understand musicians, who talk about the difficulties and problems to record listen to it anymore or only years

their earlier album is one way to is the music I want to hear. This is according to Jochen, something I want to hear. Okay, we don't - It is more like a punch in your have so much songs so far, but face and we hope that a lot of Me- I can say I love every song from Grand Massive. Every release has his story. I really like the power the more Metal inspiration from dicated to Metal.

And for that same reason the favourite song on the album is every song on the album, and they from the heaviness, the aura, the power, and the atmosphere ac-

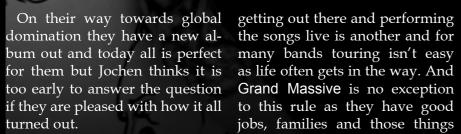
cording to Jochen. and release an album and can't has been good with pre-orders that worked well and the feedlater. This is the music I love. This back from the fans has been great up the ladder for them.



that means that the promotion must have been good.

- We are so happy to have Metalville. Our previous labels all did an excellent job for us and we were so happy with it; absolutely of "II" very much. And I love no bad words about it! But Metalville is one of my favourite labels "III", because my whole life is de- since years and it was such an honour to become part of it. So far we are really happy with the promotional work and we hope that Metalville can put us on the next step to conquer the world.

The last he said laughing, but maybe they are on the way towards that domination. The So far the interest for the album media now know their name and they get great feedback so global domination may be the next step



two weeks and so far all is perfect. The huge print magazines like it, we are on the Terrorizer UK and Rock Hard Germany Magazine-CDs and the feedback is only positive so far. So – today all perfect

## Grand Massive Live

words from the press and fans is one aspect of the promotion,

getting out there and performing they only play selected shows at the songs live is another and for jobs, families and those things - I think that is too early to that you have to handle when answer. The CD is available since you are grown up. But the bandmembers still aren't strangers to the opportunity arises.

- If we will get a good tour-offer, we will discuss it in the band and check out the possibilities. But so far we can only do single shows or weekend gigs. We have some shows coming up to promote the Records, interviews and kind record and we hope to get some more shows in the near future.

the moment. That means that it is not only special for the fans but also for the band.

- We are happy if we are on stage. And have a big motivation, we try to bring the power and heaviness from our records on the stage. And we all play for years in bands and are no newcoplaying some live shows when mers on stage; I hope the guys in the front row notice that.

> But if we are somewhere not that near a place where they play, why should we buy their new album and visit their shows?

- Because the album is full of great songs with excellent vocal lines which will not go out of your head for hours. I think it And every show is special, as is a good record besides all that mainstream bands which calls themselves Metal. This is fresh to support unknown bands. Who The Hallowed review of III and heavy and in my eyes good songs, and if you like that music, you will get a good and active best time is gone, right? (The edi-Records live band with a mix of all songs from the Grand Massive career... hate me for those words, but this sounds good, right?

cially considering what we wrote the smaller bands. They work in our review about it being a harder than some bigger bands, very good album. And it is out now on Metalville, Jochen and kids, wives, life, house, parents Grand Massive suggest you get it as it is a great album with excellent vocal lines that will not leave heart to their biggest hobby: mayour mind for a long time. With that I leave the final words of this article to the Grand Massive guys after I thank them for taking their time answering my questions.

- I think today it is important Links and stuff: needs another Iron Maiden, Metallica or Anthrax record? Their Grand Massive on Daredevil tor agrees with this.) Some will is my opinion. Try to find some It sure does sound good, espe- fresh and new music and support because they have to handle jobs, and many more and with their short time left they give all their king music





Grand Massive on Bandcamp Deliver Me video

Grand Massive are: Alex Andronikos - vocals Peter Wiesenbacher - guitar Jochen Boellath - guitar Toby Brandl - bass Minke Malte - drums