

## ALEC EMPIRE - BIOGRAPHY

"Let's start with the facts: Alec Empire, in addition to being an outstanding musician who had made a unique contribution to the evolution of contemporary music, is also an exceptional record producer, remixer and DJ. In a time when overhyped bands are dying like flies barely one record into their careers, Alec travels his own path with a determination and a sonic vision rarely seen amongst today's musicians.

A few years ago he put the spotlight on his birthplace Berlin with his band Atari Teenage Riot, the revolutionary outfit like no other which made charged political statements and even started riots. While the media focussed on the slogans and the insane live shows, they sometimes forgot that Alec has worked with an astonishing variety of musicians.

From the likes of Bjork, Einsturzende Neubauten, Jon Spencer, Rammstein, Thurston Moore from Sonic Youth, Slayer and many many more... he toured with Nine Inch Nails, Rage Against The Machine, Beck, Moby, the list goes on like a Christmas present list.

He's ticked most boxes on the Achievement's List... toured the world, received a Kerrang Award, had his music in Blockbuster Hollywood films....

We can't cover his whole career on a sheet of paper; there are already people in the process of writing books about this guy. Please check the internet for discography etc. You'll find someone who was always looking forwards while everybody else in music seemed to do nothing but look backwards.

Alec Empire's new album is here. The only thing we can say is that whatever you have heard before or think to know about Alec, it's only a small section of his musical arc.

He has recruited his new band and it will tour for the rest of the year.

Alec: "You know for me it's all about that rush of energy...that's why I do it these days...that's the only thing left...I made so much money in my career, I'm at this point where I just want to do things I love or which at least sound passionate to me when they present themselves."