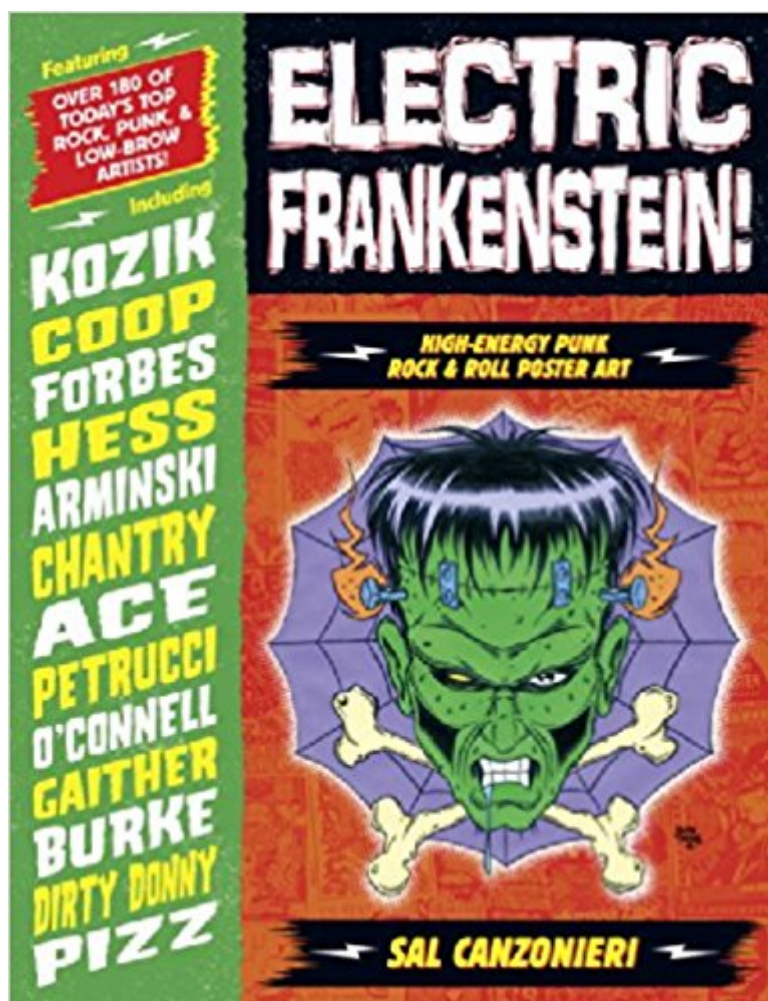




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Electric Frankenstein! High-Energy Punk Rock & Roll Poster Art



Synopsis

In over a decade of worldwide punk-rock dominance, the ass-kicking guitar machine that is Electric Frankenstein (#2 of the Top 500 Most Featured Bands in the Press, as verified by Zine Guide) has produced an unparalleled body of eye-slapping poster art, a swaggering, monster-fied, fuel-dragster image bank from over 180 of the undisputed champions of this most exalted of all art forms, and Electric Frankenstein! is perhaps the largest printed collection of such artists in human history! Now, unchained and free to roam the land, come the monstrous works of who's-who poster legends Coop, Kozik, Johnny Ace, The Pizz, Lisa Petrucci, Derek Hess, Alan Forbes, and more...! Plus, an in-depth history of Electric Frankenstein the band, the musical method behind the visual madness, orchestrated by EF-founder and poster-art icon Sal Canzonieri! No collection of rock poster art or chronicle of punk-rock history dares be without Electric Frankenstein!

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Customer Reviews

The late 1960s is generally considered the golden age of rock-and-roll posters, but Gibson's collection of poster, album-cover, and other art concerning the graphics-minded band Electric Frankenstein argues to extend that date. From the beginning, the members of Electric Frankenstein, subscribers to the punk do-it-yourself ethic, put great thought into the flyers and posters advertising the band. The examples reproduced here mix and match influences with impunity and in satisfyingly lurid colors. Many approach the stoned magnificence of a Rick Griffin or Victor Moscoso creation from the Summer of Love. Others borrow from the legendary Big Daddy Roth-Robert Williams Rat

Fink artistic corpus. Still others stand alone in bent glory; for instance, the Cat in the Hat poster in which Frankensteinish seams and electrodes adorn the green feline. Comic-book styles and fumetti technique are also employed to good advantage in fun and colorful creations that bid fair to overtake the band itself in renown. Loads of good, colorful fun; who knows what the band sounds like--or cares? Mike Tribby

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Got this book because i was curious after seeing art by Hess and Coop concerning this band. Seems any good to great concert poster artist was doing art on these guys. And can you blame them with a name like that! After i got the book i went out and got some of the bands music. Was not disappointed by either. Book Good!

Perfect book. Graphics are bright colorful and kickin'. Just what you want to have in your collection, for art lovers and music lovers-it bridges the gap. See your favorite artists and find new ones! If you dig lowbrow art culture you need this book. It has been perfectly put together and edited so the graphics are colorful and precise. Montage is great and keeps you going all the way to the end and makes you wish you had more (which you can since Sal has quite a few awesome poster books out there!) Highly recommend to anyone.

In a word, this is about PASSION. The band is passionate about performing rock & roll. The poster artists are passionate about creating artwork reflecting the band's punk rock & rollethos and its highly amused worldview. The poster artwork, some actual advertisements, some commemoratives, is superb. Many pieces are frankly mesmerizing. Dark Horse has done an excellent job of producing the works in accurate color. Sal Canzonieri, one of the founding band members, has pulled together all the key posters and CD artwork that's defined the band's image since inception. Electric Frankenstein developed its following from posting "anonymous" flyers in the streets of Manhattan, long before their first gig. People wondered what Electric Frankenstein was supposed to be. It was an inspired artistic prank, but thankfully the band turned out to be quite real indeed. You can read more about Electric Frankenstein in ART OF MODERN ROCK, which will be published this Fall by Chronicle Books.

I just recently purchased this wonderful art book from Dark Horse! Electric Frankenstein is a brilliant High Energy, Punk Rock N' Roll band that's been putting out amazing records, and lots of 'em, for the last 13 years! This book pulls together tons of art created for the band over the years. Now the

real special thing about the art that is created for EF is that it exhibits the same levels of High Energy and High Voltage Rock! This may be somewhat easy to achieve in a recorded or live musical medium but as a 2 dimensional poster or album cover it is so much more impressive! There are something like 130 different artists represented here ranging from well known legends and luminaries such as Kozik, Coop, Chantry, Petrucci and tons more to up and coming stars and current underground icons in the Rock art world like Alan Forbes, Dirty Donny, Johnny Crap, Rev. Wells, Johnny Ace and many more! This is a wonderful piece to add to any rock memorabilia collection, whether you are a fan of the band or just the art of rock n' roll!

This is one incredible art book. Very professionally done, very high quality reprints of stunning poster artwork done over the years for the excellent rock band Electric Frankenstein. If you love horror (especially vintage stuff like Universal monster movies and Famous monsters magazine) and if you love rock n' roll, you need this book. 160 full-color pages of some of the best underground artist's renditions of the electric frankenstein theme. As a graphic designer by profession and fan of all things monsters, zombies and creatures, I really do appreciate the work done on these wonderful pieces of art, and I more than understand how big a job it is to scan the images and put together a book like this one. Very well done, beautiful art and lots of Boris Karloff! I'm very happy to own this, a great item that I will cherish for years to come.

This is the very first book published that features rock n roll artwork for a band, capturing the first 10 years of record cover and poster art for Electric Frankenstein, done by 100s of the world's best known rock art artists (Coop, Kozik, Alan Forbes, Art Chantry, Johnny Ace, Dirty Donny, and many more!) The book has been added to the Archives of the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland OH. It is the first art book devoted to the art of a musical group.

Everyone interested in great rock and roll should purchase this book at once. It is filled with Posters from many of the best Rock and Roll Poster creators from across the world. My mind is still reeling from the Posters. This book is also a great look at the modern Hi Energy Rock and ROLL Revolution that EF(Electric Frankenstein) is leading. Some of the Bills EF has played on are mind boggling. This book also has a nice history of EF that I enjoyed reading and so will you! Sal Canzonieri has done a great job, leading EF and also creating this book and deserves all the support in the world.If you like your action High High, help EF conquer the World.EricMr. Rock-n-Roll

Not only has Electric Frankenstein been making action packed, kick ass rock and roll for the last 13 years... they have an amazing collection of artwork to go along with it. You don't have to be an EF fan to appreciate this book. (but why the hell wouldn't you be?!) It's crammed page to page with with full color poster art, flash, and album art by some of today's top rock and roll artists, and tons of up and coming artists as well. It's one of the largest printed collections of it's kind, and a must for anyone who collects rock and roll memorabilia. It's beautifully printed and absolutely stuffed with eye candy. You MUST own this book.

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