



Within the RUINS

Recognizing the talent and passion of Massachusetts natives, **WITHIN THE RUINS**, it's no wonder Victory Records added them to its growing roster. This quintet is armed with a unique take on blending technology and metal together to write music that sets their band apart from the numerous metal bands today. **WITHIN THE RUINS** have mastered their technique of bringing breakdowns, riffs, tempo and a dash of personality together in order to form one cohesive entity.

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The development of **WITHIN THE RUINS** first began in 2002. That was when founding members Joe Cocchi (Guitar) and Drummer (Drums) began making take a more serious approach and started heading out on the road, doing DIY tours from 2006-2009. At that point in time the lineup was comprised of Tim Goergen (Vocals), Mike Beaujean (Bass), and Kyle Marcoux (Guitar), in addition to Cocchi and Drummer. As things progressed for the band, January of 2010 brought change when Jay Van Schelt (Guitar) was brought in to replace Marcoux; this change refueled the band to write their best record to date.

It would be easy to attribute their unique sound to the countless hours **WITHIN THE**

RUINS dedicates to practicing each week. In order to perfect their technical styles, the members practice every day. “You do it long enough and you’re going to see results,” noted Cocchi. “We constantly try to take our music to the next level, challenging ourselves as well as the listener.” This

mindset helps **WITHIN THE RUINS** stay focused as they devote most of their time to evolving their sound, growing as musicians and building their fan base.

Relentless practicing to hone musical skills is one thing, but **WITHIN THE RUINS** also feels that touring makes up another important aspect in their quest for musical recognition. They have already toured with fellow Victory label mates **EMMURE**, **CARNIFEX**, and **WRETCHED**, as well as **AUGUST BURNS RED** and **SHADOWS FALL**. Along the way, their fan base has

spread from Massachusetts to California, leaving their mark on each state as they pass through. “It’s different everywhere, that’s why it’s such an experience,” Cocchi said. “We just like to have a good time and talk to people at the shows.”

A testament to their incredible work ethic in regards to touring, **WITHIN THE RUINS** have successfully completed 3 tours this year so far, played a whopping 165 shows in 2009, and have four headlining tours under their belt. There’s no doubt that they have worked steadily to expand the reach of their fierce, progressive rock and technical metal thus far and they show no signs of letting up.

WITHIN THE RUINS is currently preparing for their second release on Victory Records, *Invade*, which is slated for release in late August 2010. “This is some of the most powerful and mature material we’ve ever written,” say members of their newest creation. They are also quick to note that “it’s heavier, faster, and contains more meaningful lyric content than our last album.”



Within the Ruins is Tim Goergen *Vocals*
Mike Beaujean *Bass*
Jay Van Schelt *Guitar*
Joe Cocchi *Guitar*
Drummer *Drums*



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