

# The Bad Americans

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## The Iron Maidens

Up The Irons for Metal's only female tribute band to Iron Maiden!

*Love is a razor and I walked the line on that silver blade  
Slept in the dust with his daughter, her eyes red with  
The slaughter of innocence  
And I will pray for her.  
I will call her name out loud.  
I would bleed for her.  
If I could only see her now.*

-Iron Maiden



It was in 2001, when these metal chicks from southern California wanted to break down the walls of madness and put an end to all the bullshit stereotypes, that girls cannot rock. Well folks, that is a bold face lie! Rock City News, The L.A. Music Awards and The All Access Magazine will testify with that statement, and will back me up when I say that these female rockers have Balls, Attitude and Direction when it comes to playing Iron Maiden cover songs for their fans.

Members of this elite force include, Kirsten Rosenberg (a.k.a. "Bruce Chicinson") lead vocals, Wanda Ortiz (a.k.a. Steph Harris) Bassist, Linda McDonald a.k.a. (Nikki Mc BURRain) drummer and Courtney Cox (a.k.a. Adriana Smith) Nita Strauss (a.k.a. Mega Murray) lead guitarist. There is no shortage of raw talent and the concept was to have an all female act that wanted to play Maiden. During an interview with Sarah Joelle, Rosenberg said, "In a time when the music scene was lacking and live shows were sucking heavy, there wasn't very many places to see a good band. People wanted to have a good time, so the whole tribute thing started happening." What Kirsten Rosenberg is saying, it was time for something other than AC/DC and time to cover Iron Maiden.

Many wild and exciting years have whirled through the lives of these beautiful girls and on February 23, 2008 at the Hard Rock Café in Mexico City. These hard hitting rockers had a chance to impersonate the greatness of Iron Maiden. On the bill that night was Six Hour Sundown with British vocalist, Laura Harris. She is the daughter of Iron Maiden bassist and founding member, Steve Harris. Inside the live audience, were Bruce Dickenson and Laura's father to see the show. On another note, Derick Riggs (Iron Maiden's band illustrator) offered his talents and helped out The Iron Maidens with their mascot named Edwina. Riggs came up with the idea of a zombie-like Parris Hilton and created this whore-beast that can devour a small boy or an eight-pack of Guinness in one gulp.

If you enjoy Aces High, The Trooper or Number of the Beast. Then you will fall in love with The Iron Maidens. Lets face it- we need more Rock-n-Roll girls to cover some of the greatest bands of all time. Beside, who in their right mind would want to pay a ten dollar cover charge to see a bunch of old fat guys in spandex playing Led Zeppelin or U.F.O in the first place? Not me, Hamilton! I'll go check out The Iron Maidens and be their groupie anytime. Until then, I remain, The Evil Genius!

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