

The Metal, The Music, The Madness As Lived By Jon Zazula



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Jon Zazula was a legendary record executive who played a pivotal role in the development of heavy metal music. He was the founder of Megaforce Records, which released some of the most iconic heavy metal albums of all time, including Metallica's *Kill 'Em All* and Anthrax's *Fistful of Metal*. Zazula was also instrumental in the careers of other legendary metal bands such as Overkill, Exciter, and Raven.

Zazula was born in New York City in 1952. He grew up listening to heavy metal music, and he was particularly drawn to the music of British bands such as Black Sabbath and Judas Priest. In 1982, Zazula founded

Megaforce Records, and he quickly became one of the most influential figures in the heavy metal scene.

Megaforce Records released a string of classic heavy metal albums in the early 1980s, including Metallica's *Kill 'Em All*, Anthrax's *Fistful of Metal*, Overkill's *Feel the Fire*, Exciter's *Heavy Metal Maniac*, and Raven's *Wiped Out*. These albums helped to define the sound of heavy metal music, and they played a major role in its popularity.

Zazula was known for his passion for heavy metal music, and he was always willing to take risks on new bands. He was also known for his loyalty to his artists, and he often went above and beyond to help them succeed.

In addition to his work with Megaforce Records, Zazula was also involved in a number of other projects related to heavy metal music. He produced several metal festivals, and he also wrote a book about the history of heavy metal music.

Zazula died in 2022 at the age of 69. He is survived by his wife, Marsha, and his two daughters, Rikki and Jodi. He will be remembered as one of the most influential figures in the history of heavy metal music.

Legacy

Jon Zazula's legacy is immense. He was one of the most important figures in the development of heavy metal music, and he played a pivotal role in the careers of some of the most iconic metal bands of all time. Zazula's passion for heavy metal music was infectious, and he helped to spread the gospel of metal to a new generation of fans.

Zazula's death is a great loss to the heavy metal community. He was a true pioneer, and he will be remembered for his contributions to the genre for many years to come.

Discography

- Metallica - *Kill 'Em All* (1983)
- Anthrax - *Fistful of Metal* (1984)
- Overkill - *Feel the Fire* (1985)
- Exciter - *Heavy Metal Maniac* (1983)
- Raven - *Wiped Out* (1982)

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