

DERAPS INTERNATIONAL MEDIA OVERVIEW:

Latest news:

- Jacob Deraps is now officially a **Gibson/Kramer USA** sponsored guitarist.
- And he also got officially signed to a global publishing deal by **Anthem Entertainment**, publishers of legendary Canadian Rock trio Rush, Timbaland, etc.

International Sales:

- Their first album came out **June 17, 2022**, worldwide: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mgcrvHqIh7M>
- On top of **great sales reaction worldwide** (finished its opening day at # 6 selling hard rock albums on Amazon Germany), The album went as high as # 1 and is now at # 13 on the Amazon Hard Rock charts in Japan, right below Def Leppard ! Sell-outs in many stores, web stores and sites, etc.
- The Deraps album also went on sale on the **Official Van Halen Store!**: <https://www.vanhalenstore.com/page/VH/PROD/CD54>
- And also got incredible support and a great review on their website **Van Halen News Desk**: <https://www.vhnd.com/2022/06/17/deraps-unleash-debut-album-4-music-videos/>

International Television/Radio:

- The videos for "Sex Drugs & Rock n Roll" and for "Live Fast Die Slow" are both playing in rotation on Stingray Loud, in Canada and parts of the U.S.
- In Japan, Jacob Deraps was featured on Masa Ito's TV show nationwide, including live performance, and is also played on his FM radio show nationwide.
- Deraps was first featured on KLOS Los Angeles as " Best New Music " on June 24th (hear the premiere airplay: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PYQmvWslgg8>) and more shows.
- The Album reached Top 50 charts on the U.S. Metal Charts and U.S. College charts,
- Their first 4 singles/videos reached #11, #27, #33 and #37 on the April/May/June 2022 Top 100 list of New Classic Rock in North America.

International Magazines & Blogs Reviews:

"Their 11-song, self-titled debut album is released worldwide today! And as you might expect, it's got a vibe and sound that channels early Van Halen and fits right into you '70s and '80s good-time rock n roll playlists...We at Van Halen News Desk are happy to spread the word about their new album, and VanHalenStore.com is even selling their album for a limited time! ...we're happy to support them upon the release of this great album.'(**The Van Halen News Desk / U.S.A.**)

<https://www.loudersound.com/features/are-deraps-to-van-halen-what-greta-van-fleet-are-to-led-zepplin-quite-possibly>

"Are Deraps to Van Halen what Greta Van Fleet are to Led Zep? Quite Possibly. With such spot-on delivery, killer riffs and moreish choruses it's ferociously good fun. But Deraps isn't just a VH fest. The blues rock of Stevie Ray Vaughan can be heard in Live Fast, Die Slow, while funky bass lines, pop gloss and Metallica-come-GN'R beef pepper the rest of the record."("High Hopes" feature in **Classic Rock Magazine**, Aug 19 2022 / U.K.)

"Deraps' debut is Fab!... reminiscent of the late 70s and its great music, a rough Van Halen, David Lee Roth style... it's got real energy ... if you like early-Van Halen and the beginnings of Van Hagar you'll be in your element here, if you like Rock, you're gonna be in your element here.... well played with a youthful push... that (album) was a really refreshing change... i hope they don't lose that youthful nasty exciting edge... the album is great!" listen to it here: <https://steve-swifts-rambling-reviews.onpodium.com/episode/deraps-debut-is-fab-107> (**Steve Swift's Rambling Reviews / U.K.**)

"Deraps do something remarkable on their debut of the same name: In their unbelievable class, the three musicians achieve something that some rock bands with more members can't manage. They entertain all along the line with great songs, so I can only say one thing: we will be hearing a lot more from this band! **10/10**" (**Sound Magnet / Germany**)

"This is the debut release from a young three-piece band based in Quebec, Canada... their musicality reminds us of Van Halen...simple sound but vital and pleasing.... One listen and you will be compelled to see them on stage. **88/100**."(**BURRN Magazine/Japan**)

" Trust us when we say that if you like Van Halen or Whitesnake you'll want to listen to this...Two thirds Canadian, one third Australian, Deraps are young guys who clearly love this gleaming, 80s Sunset Strip brand of rock n roll, and most importantly know how to write a proper tune. Less parody (à la Panther) more homage (like The Darkness). Ones to watch." (**Louder / "The Eight Best New Songs Of Right Now" / U.K.**)

"Jacob Deraps and his companions have gone back to the old school Van Halen approach. Energy, tongue in cheek lyrics, big and powerful harmonies and a shitload of blistering guitar acrobatics ending their album with a cute version of Sweet's „Ballroom Blitz”. Yes folks, the spirit of the late great Eddie van Halen, Michael Anthony, Alex van Halen and David Lee Roth is clearly embedded in the music of Deraps. Very seventies and eighties straight forward heavy rock and roll is what these young dudes have to offer and it is inspiring indeed... They are born to rock and have the ingredients to go places. Jacob Deraps is a hell of a guitarist!" (**Headbangers Lifestyle / Holland**)

"Deraps is an album that exudes rock n roll, grooves incredibly, and that is simply one of my favorite albums for 2022! Indispensable for all fans of Big Rock, Van Halen, David Lee Roth and U.S. Hard Rock! Huge in sound, and so enjoyable! **9/10**" (**2 Rocks Kroniks / France**)

"Dweezil Zappa was right, this guitar player is a real gem! And already renown as a virtuoso... We fell in love with this album, that's why we are giving it a **9/10** rating, reserved for the greats. Deraps are THE new ones... Future Legends... It is so refreshing to hear a band of such

incredible talent with such unpretentiousness, who simply want to celebrate rock with us. **9/10"**
(Famille Rock / Canada)

"Rock without beating around the bush – the next generation... Unpretentious feel-good hard rock." "Like the unforgettable Eddie (Van Halen), Jacob Deraps shows his own approach. He doesn't just play subtle rhythm guitar to accompany the vocals to pick up right after a short, separate solo, but in the lead breaks he sometimes blurs the line between lead and rhythm guitar, and he has some distinctive intros without bass and drums up his sleeve." ""Deraps" is a nice, pleasing rock album that scores with its fresh and almost cocky nature, which is superbly worked out by the production, which the core duo of the band have taken care of themselves."
(Power Metal/Germany)

" On listening to this recording, you might have thought that you had been transported back to the late seventies and eighties. The sound and the feel of all the songs are so reminiscent of the American bands that were popular during that time... and in particular, Van Halen... This album is excellent and essential for people that like their music from the aforementioned AOR music. The production is very professional and does not sound like a band's first attempt at doing it. The musicianship cannot be faulted, the tunes are instantly likable, and the vocals and guitar work are exemplary." **(Fireworks Magazine/U.K.)**

" From the first track "Sex, Drugs & Rock and Roll" right through to the last, this album has excellent production values, superb performances, and really catchy tunes that will keep any Hard Rock fan smiling and stomping their feet. The guitar playing is great on every track, the vocals have lots of character and great harmonies to be the perfect frosting on the pound cake of a solid rhythm section. With such a strong debut album, it gives Hard Rock fans a lot to look forward to from these fantastic young musicians. Fans of guitar, Hard Rock and everything Rock 1970s-1990s, Deraps has it all! Be sure to check them out and add this gem to your album collection. **8.8/10"** **(Metal Express Radio/U.S.A.)**

"The big one this month is the unashamed seventies rock homage that is the debut album by Canadian hotshots Deraps... it's plainly obvious that their main influence is Van Halen, but throw in a bit of Montrose, a dash of Extreme style harmonies and a whole dollop of guitar histrionics and you've a recipe for one of the tastiest new bands around at this moment...The results are superb, a real breath of fresh air...Check them out, you will not be disappointed."**(Powerplay Magazine/U.K.)**

"Deraps may well be the hottest new band out there." "This debut album is jam packed with melodic riffs, solos executed to precision, and superb background vocals throughout. Deraps has all the trappings of a career defining debut album...Deraps is one of the few bands that has gotten me excited about the future in a while." **(Sleaze Roxx / U.S.A.)**

"If you want to relive the sensation you had from listening to those 70s classics you constantly have on rotation for the first time, look no further, because this record delivers, hard". Rating: **5 stars!** **(Sea of Tranquility / U.S.A.)**

"They are able to perfectly embody the feel and spirit of rock n' roll. The music of DERAPS transports listeners to the late 70s on California's Sunset Strip." (**Infrared Magazine / U.S.A.**)

"I highly recommend this for fans of the late 70s and 80s or who appreciate amazing guitarists". (**Rock You Radio / U.S.A.**)

"The young, explosive Canadian/Australian power-trio Deraps is already considered a small sensation in the hard rock scene." (**Brave Words / Canada**)

" This first album already has what it takes to become a classic!"(**Metal Shock Finland / Finland**)

"A power-trio from Canada who've clearly eaten Van Halen's Hot for Teacher for breakfast, lunch, and dinner every day for the last year and had the best time ever...If you're having half as much fun as these guys are right now, you're doing something right - so keep doing it. Track of the week."(**Classic Rock Magazine / U.K.**)

"One of the most promising rock bands in the world" (**Metal Devastation Radio / Germany**)

Official Videos: Veins of my Heart: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ID_AytA0rbE Live Fast Die Slow: <https://youtu.be/GwCy5jlaNcA> My Side of Town : <https://youtu.be/DYW8Mg4EBGA> Sex, Drugs and Rock n' Roll : <https://youtu.be/FcRr6XQaZxA>

More songs: Ballroom Blitz: https://youtu.be/m_7tbxG6Rvs Wild to the Woman: <https://youtu.be/oWExmk-IAU8> Make Ya Groove: <https://youtu.be/akK83BKQpko> On My Mind : <https://youtu.be/rZkoA8NfE2U>

Notes:

- Jacob Deraps won the "Zappa Fellowship Award" in 2016 and studied under Dweezil Zappa's tutelage at the "Crown of the Continent Guitar Workshop and Festival" in BigFork, Montana, USA ("An incredible learning experience" in Jacob's words).
- Deraps was also featured 14 times on the Van Halen News Desk official website.
- Their 11-songs first album is coming out worldwide on June 17, 2022, on Metalville worldwide via Rough Trade in Europe, Amped in North America, and Ward Records in Japan.
- Metalville's Deraps global licensing signature press release in 2020, including live pictures of the band: <https://mailchi.mp/1836fd14d1b2/pz74xd2rmu-772288?e=100b>