



**MAJESTICA**

**»A Christmas Carol«**

##### Out: December 4th, 2020

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| **Line-up:** | **MAJESTICA online:** |
| Tommy Johansson | Gitarre, Gesang  Alex Oriz | Gitarre  Chris David | Bass  Joel Kollberg | Schlagzeug | <https://www.facebook.com/majesticametal> <https://www.instagram.com/majesticametal> <https://twitter.com/majesticametal> <https://www.nuclearblast.de/majestica> |

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| In 2019 the Swedish power metal heroes **MAJESTICA** released their debut album **"Above The Sky"** and it became a huge success within the metal community. Now in 2020 they are back with not only a new album, but a special treat for their fans: a Christmas musical power metal album entitled **“A Christmas Carol”**. It’s pure symphonic power metal in the true **MAJESTICA** spirit along with elements inspired by the likes of  **TWILIGHT FORCE**,  **RHAPSODY**, **ALAN SILVESTRI**, **DANNY ELFMAN** and **JOHN WILLIAMS**. The pre-sale of the album will start on October 23rd, along with the release of their first single.   What makes this a unique Christmas album is not just the inclusion of plenty of well‐known Christmas songs, but also because the theme is the well‐known story of Ebenezer Scrooge from the **Charles Dickens** novel **“A Christmas Carol”**. With many different voices for the many characters in the story alongside fitting music, people will not only hear a newly well‐written power metal album, but also a power metal musical that gives you a unique Christmas feeling,.   **Tommy Johansson** states, *“A silly dream of mine has finally come true. For many years I’ve wanted to release a Christmas album, because the atmosphere around Christmas is always so peaceful and music with a clear Christmas theme is always beautiful and very well‐written. The reason why we chose to make a musical album with the story of Ebenezer Scrooge is very simple – it's a great story to tell around Christmas and it works so well as a musical. And with the help of different voice actors and singers we made it possible for this to happen - we’re very happy with the result.”*  In regards to their musical direction he adds, *“Once again people can expect real power metal, but this time its a bit more symphonic and epic compared to our previous album ‘Above The Sky’. When it comes to the symphonic parts we’ve taken it a bit further and included a lot more orchestral instruments, including tubular bells, glockenspiel and sleigh bells to really get that Christmas sound to it.”*    The vocals are once again in the vein of **Michael Kiske**, **Tobias Sammet** and **Sebastian Bach**, but this time together with guest singers from such bands as **VEONITY**, **HOT BEEF INJECTION** and all the members from **MAJESTICA** doing lead vocals. The artwork is made by underground artist **Madeleine Andersson**. She’s previously created some fan art for **TWILIGHT FORCE** and her style of painting is perfect for what the band needed for this project. **Tommy** adds: *“We wanted to have a painted artwork that could really capture the dark, cold ghost‐like feeling that we sing about in the album. I’ve known* ***Madeleine*** *for a while and have seen what she could do, so when I asked her she was onboard right away. We’re very impressed and very happy with what she created for this album.”*   On the previous album **“Above The Sky”** people can hear the legendary drummer **Uli Kusch** (ex‐**HELLOWEEN**, ex‐**GAMMA RAY**, Ex‐**MASTERPLAN**). On this album **MAJESTICA** have the great drummer **Joel Kollberg** (**VEONITY**) who doesn't only plays the drums like he was born to do it, he also loves power metal and knows exactly what is needed. *“We are all very happy with Joel as a drummer, not only for the way he plays the songs and how fast he has learned all the previous songs together with the new material, but also because he’s a great guy and we just love him. Great drummer, great singer and a great friend.”* closes **Tommy**. The music was written, recorded and produced by **MAJESTICA** at Nygård, Ekshärad during the summer of 2020. Mixing and mastering of this album was made by **Jonas Kjellgren** (**SCAR SYMMETRY**, **RAUBTIER**) at Black Lounge Studios. |