

Today, I'll be reviewing Anthropocosmic Nest, by The Messthetics. I'm guessing messthetics is a combination of the words 'mess' and 'aesthetics.' As aesthetic means 'concerned with beauty' I assume the band name means a beautiful mess. Why not say that? Well, believe it or not (it seems ridiculous to me) beautiful mess is already a phrase! A bit of a contradiction, but people do say it. So is that fine? I mean the band in question aren't ripping phrase-makers off with their name, they've just been inspired? I disagree. What if a band really liked the band name 'Job For a Cowboy' and decided to call themselves 'Occupation For an Animal Herder'? Is that a big enough difference? I would say no because it means exactly the same thing! Even if they misspelt their name which bands often do, is the following unique enough: Okupation For an Animal Herda'? Surely not. Oh so you've been copying others and skipping English classes, too? What message to society is that? First there's the controversial 'Pound Town' and now there's this.

The album name kind of reminds me of Analphabetapolothology by Cap'n Jazz, the difference obviously being the Mess version is (ironically) a less messy word, easier to say and therefore better. Oh so they're plagiarising others and improving on them? THAT'S a step too far. How would you feel if someone copied your work, improved it and it was believed to be their's? Then when you submit your sloppy work, you get expelled. Same thing's happening with Mess'. Ok, I'm probably the only person in the world who is as confused and irrational to act like THAT to students, but does that matter? No, one person is enough. Say I blagged a job interview and ended up as a university lecturer. What if Mess' submitted an assignment to me about original band/album names and I gave them an A? Would that be fair? Of course not. Then the person who came up with the phrase 'a beautiful mess' submits his work to me and I get him arrested.

And what does 'anthropocosmic nest' mean?? Let's see if the internet can help me. Anthro is short for anthropology, that word means 'the study of human societies', and cosmic means 'relating to the universe.' Nests are homes for birds. So we have human society space bird home. WHAT THE HELL IS THAT? Humans in space is fair enough, but why would future humans live in bird homes?? Do the people of the future have beaks?? I guess if society really progresses and becomes vegetarian, maybe beaks would be better than mouths. However, I don't want a beak instead of a mouth and weirdly, that's an argument why people shouldn't stop eating meat. Just make sure you explain yourself very carefully to an animal rights worker, or you're going to come across as insane.

I would definitely like wings, but how evolving such wings relates to diet, I don't know. Maybe it doesn't. Unless maybe flying is faster than people running, and therefore those who evolved wings got to healthier, more nutritious food quicker. But I mean...can't you like drive? Or as it's the future, fly in a space ship? This really isn't my area of expertise and I can't remember what my point was (honestly), so maybe I should just move on. I mean it's all about the music, right? I clearly have an obsession with band names, and that is arguably my downfall. Deep down I know I should comment on the quality of the tunes, etc., but something inside stops me. Allmusic.com gives the album being reviewed by me a 4 out of 5! Even though it's instrumental! A high score for such an album. Call me paranoid but could that be because of the shortened album title? Annoyingly both the Mess and Cap'n Jazz albums got the same score. There goes that theory then.

To wrap this review up, I will point out how one song in the album is called 'Better Wings'. I've just found that out. Maybe I saw the song in the corner of my eye and that inspired the writing about flying and evolution. I thought I was being intellectual and original, actually it was ME who was the one plagiarising others that whole damn time. Whoops. Moving on, after having pondered very deeply, I think the band should be called something completely different, maybe the group could be named after other track name 'Pay Dust'. I'm just saying, if you're going to write and perform instrumental experimental rock/hardcore music, yeah you're going to get paid in dust. The album on the other hand should be shortened to 'Space Birds'. Do I like the album? Yeah, it's not bad! 8.75/10! Woohoo! Bye!