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## **METRIC** ***FANTASIES*** LAST GANG RECORDS

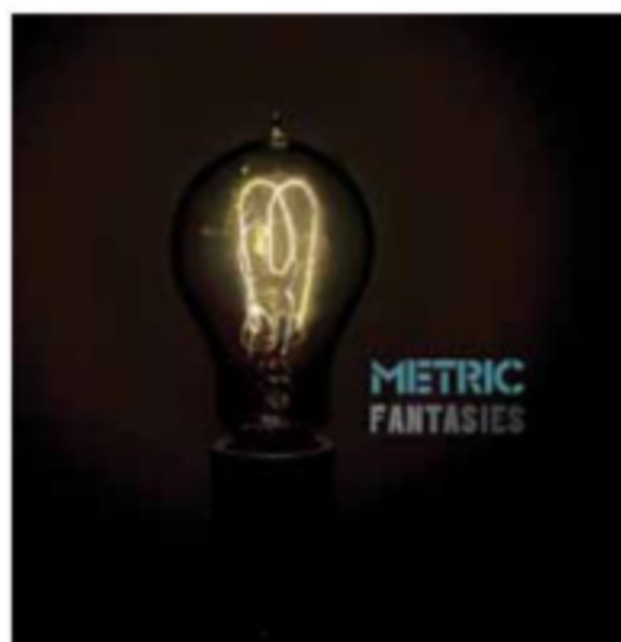
**BY HEIDI TRAVIS** – Eight years later, I am still listening to this album. It's solid! Though Metric has released two albums since, neither quite satisfies the way the 2009 *Fantasies* does.

*Fantasies* has staying power, no question. It never feels dated. There is just a vibrant energy that runs through each and every track and the musical undertow pulls you in from start to finish.

While later installments from the band have had some standout tracks surely, *Fantasies* comes as a full package.

It packs upbeat, high-energy tracks into a mix with moody, dark undertones and the result is a versatile, introspective production that arrests your attention and hits in all the right "feels." Not only that, *Fantasies*, like most of Metric's previous works, is an album that warrants repeat listens to fully grasp.

Even now, this album still leaves me musing over certain lyrics, which I love! Though it's ridiculously hard to pick a favorite, there are a few tracks that I definitely have on repeat. Among these are "Sick Muse," "Satellite Mind," "Gimme Sympathy," and "Blindness" – but really, you just cannot go wrong with this al-



bum on the whole.

The juxtaposition of Emily Haine's sweet vocals against their synthpop, new-wave sound is always a win for me.

### **STANDOUT TRACKS:**

Sick Muse  
Satellite Mind  
Gimme Sympathy  
Blindness

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