

GABRIEL FIGUEREDO MUSIC RECORD REVIEWS:

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ARTIST: Greta Van Fleet

RECORD TITLE: The Battle At Garden’s Gate

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COUNTRY: United States Of America

“Greta Van Fleet” return in 2021, with their sophomore full-length studio album, entitled “The Battle At Garden’s Gate.”

Right from the opening track, “Heat Above,” the band “Greta Van Fleet” seem poised to avoid the sophomore slump, and win the battle against complacency.

Evoking the stylings of “David Bowie,” the song “Heat Above” trots along with a soulful, rock canter.

The album boasts 12 songs: 9 “Noteworthy Songs” & 3 “Below Average Songs.”

Another winning track, is the song “My Way, Soon,” that rollicks with slick guitar licks, and gritty strums.

Very well-built song, “Built By Nations,” combines a bluesy set mix, coupled with contemplative lyrics.

“Age Of Machine” provides the best song intro of the whole record, and keeps that sleek guitar riff throughout the track.

Not only is “Age Of Machine” one of the longest songs on the album, but it is also the best one sonically and lyrically.

From the words of the chorus, we are entranced by singer Joshua Kiszka, bellowing “You Have Been Cheated,” resulting with “We Need Some Healing.”

“Light Of Love” creates the best extended instrumental jam, along with sultry, echoing vocalizations that will make you hum along.

Enamored by the past, “Greta Van Fleet” are actually making a conscious effort to establish their own modern interpretation of 1970s rock.

Even with the overly, overt “Zeppelin-esque” sounds, and rhythms, “Greta Van Fleet” still manage to surprise and enchant.

“The Battle At Garden’s Gate” has decisively been won, and the critics have been scattered to the foothills.