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“IT'S SAFE TO SAY THAT NO OTHER ROCK BAND ON THE PLANET IS QUITE LIKE THEM.”
- VINCENT FARNSWORTH, THE PRAGUE POST

Award winning Dine' (Navajo) high-energy rock band Blackfire will be releasing their highly-anticipated new double disk concept album entitled, "[Silence] is a Weapon." Recorded in Durango, Colorado by producer Ed Stasium (Ramones, Living Colour, The Smithereens), the album features guest vocals by Cyril Neville & Jones Benally. Disk one features 12 blasts of Blackfire's unique brand of label defying high-energy, social-political music. Disk two comprises a special selection of 12 traditional Dine' (Navajo) songs. The album will be released on May 1st, 2007. This year's "[Silence] is a Weapon 2007" tour will take Blackfire to France, Germany, Italy, The Czech Republic, Croatia, Macedonia, Switzerland, Norway, Mexico, and throughout the U.S.



BLACKFIRE is comprised of two brothers and their sister Jeneda, Clayson and Klee Benally. Born into the heart of a political land dispute area on Black Mesa in the Navajo Nation, this family's powerful music reflects the Hopes, Freedoms, and Barriers of today's world. BLACKFIRE's style encompasses traditional Native American, Punk-Rock and "Alter-Native" music and bears strong socio-political messages regarding government oppression, relocation of indigenous people, eco-cide, genocide, domestic violence and human rights. BLACKFIRE sometimes combines performances with their Native American dance troupe, The Jones Benally Family.

The late godfather of punk Joey Ramone declared them "Fireball Punk-Rock." BLACKFIRE is internationally acclaimed and has a strong grassroots following around the world owing to their frequent touring of Europe, the U.S. Canada and Mexico since 1989. They were the first Native American band to take part in on the Van's Warped Tour and were also featured performers in the "Festival in the Desert," in the Sahara Desert in Mali, Africa along with the Touareg group Tinariwen.

In the recent past, BLACKFIRE has been awarded the Native American Music Awards "Group of the Year" for their "Woody Guthrie Singles" recording, and "Best Pop/Rock Album" for their full length release, "One Nation Under."

BLACKFIRE only plays all ages venues, whether concerts, festivals or clubs. They strongly promote the respect of all cultures. They do many workshops, lectures and school residencies.

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“BLACKFIRE IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT MUSIC GROUPS WORKING TODAY”
- WILHELM MURG, INDIAN COUNTRY TODAY

“THIS RECORD GIVES ME GOOSEBUMPS -- THE KIND THAT COME FROM DEEP INSIDE -- WITH AN URGE TO TURN IT UP AND REALLY, REALLY LISTEN, OVER AND OVER AGAIN. ITS EPIC.”
- GREGG MCVICAR, UNDERCURRENTSRADIO.NET

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