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### HELLFIGHTER: 'Damnation's Wings' Release Dates Announced - Jan. 12, 2011

HELLFIGHTER, the band formed by ex-members of cult U.K. thrashers XENTRIX, will release its debut album, "**Damnation's Wings**", via **Heavy Metal Records** on the following dates:

Europe (via **Plastic Head** distribution): February 28th  
U.S., Canada (via **MVD** distribution): April 5

The album will also be released digitally worldwide on **iTunes** on February 1.

According to a press release, "**Damnation's Wings**" was recorded at **Viscon Studios** in Northwest England and at **Backstage Studios** in Derbyshire, U.K. and it "showcases ten new songs [that see] **HELLFIGHTER** sticking to their thrash and metal roots whilst introducing a strong, modern, melodic edge."

HELLFIGHTER's current lineup consists of **Simon Gordon** (vocals, ex-XENTRIX), **Kristian Havard** (guitar, ex-XENTRIX), **Den Gasser** (drums, ex-XENTRIX), **Pete Smith** (guitar, ex-KILL II THIS) and **Mel Gasser** (bass).

In a recent interview, **Havard** talked about the making of "**Damnation's Wings**": "In some ways we have revisited the bands and sounds that we loved as kids — bands like **MAIDEN**, **PRIEST**, **FORBIDDEN**, **TESTAMENT**, **ANTHRAX** — but really we've just made the sort of record that we want to hear today.

"Everyone in the band and at the record label is very excited about '**Damnation's Wings**'. It's taken a little while longer than we had hoped to complete the writing and recording process but we didn't want to compromise on anything. The end result is something we're extremely proud of. Most of all, we're looking forward to getting out on the road to promote the album."

"**Damnation's Wings**" track listing:

01. Tower Of Sin
02. A Lesser God
03. Legacy Of Hate
04. Faith In Lies
05. Damnation's Wings

- 06. **Revolution Within**
- 07. **Epitaph**
- 08. **Bring Only Pain**
- 09. **Descent**
- 10. **Firewalker**

The album artwork can be seen below.

"The painting is by a guy called **Steve Smith** who's based here in the north of England," says **Gordon**. "We didn't want to go totally down the digital-art route because there was a definite vibe when we were writing and recording where we looked to a lot of the bands we grew up with for inspiration. We carried that through to the artwork.


"I remember that buzz we used to get from looking at all the detail on the new **MAIDEN** album cover or whatever. So we gave **Steve** the album title and asked him to come up with something that suggested the nastier side of modern life and technology as a bit of a nod to all those great bands."

For more information, visit [www.hellfighter.co.uk](http://www.hellfighter.co.uk).




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