



## Press Release

### **Do You Wanna Play Some Magic?: Emerson, Lake And Palmer In Concert 1970-1979**

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### **Now The Show Never Has To End**

A music teacher called Garry Freeman contacted Carl Palmer to see if he would run one of his renowned Drum Circles for hearing impaired children in Bradford. Palmer, being a good guy, kindly agreed and that was the start of a friendship between the two men (Freeman is a drummer).

When Garry decided to write a book about ELP everyone said there was no way they would cooperate, but he had a contact in Carl. Their management company got him official access to the band who were, in his words, 'perfect gentlemen'. Greg Lake gave an exclusive interview for the book; Keith Emerson and Carl Palmer provided technical information and answered queries too.

The result is a unique work, analysing over 150 ELP gigs from the 1970s, plus the 2010 comeback. Garry was at some of the UK ones, but also spent countless hours listening to more records than is healthy for a grown man (some bootlegs – after all, his other book is *The Bootleg Guide*) and watching DVDs from gigs in the UK, USA, Germany, Italy, Scandinavia, France and Spain. Not only does he discuss the shows, the songs played and between-song banter, he also sets the scene to each tour with essential background information, which is particularly fascinating for fans. Even the admission price is covered: How does 50p for a 1971 London Pavilion gig sound?

The book has two plate sections with many rare or exclusive photos, plus images within the text, making this a must-buy for ELP fans (and there are plenty of those – the band sold 40 million records after all). Those that were at the gigs will read the book to remember; those that weren't will read it and wish they had been.

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