



Spring has arrived!

Happy April, everyone! No April Fools shenanigans for us. We're just settling in, awaiting some warmer weather. And the temp has been slowly creeping up. We had a shocker of a warm one the other day when the temp briefly hit and surpassed a balmy 80° here on Long Island. Then, by 7pm, it was back to 45°, but it was nice to be able to take the dog out without having to bundle up first. A teaser, if you will, but we'll take it.

Manticore's March 23rd show at [Daryl's House](#) was awesome! Big thanks to everyone that came out for that one. A truly wonderful venue to play at - the ambiance was perfect, as always (big thanks to Pete Moshay & his crew on house sound!), dinner was delicious and the full house on a

Sunday nite spoke volumes about the love for the music of Emerson Lake & Palmer in the northeast US. Thank you so much to everybody that took the trip to Pawling to come see us. The night had its bitter-sweet moments too, it being our Road Manager Jesse Ponella's last show with us. We're sorry to see him go, but Jesse is just moving on to bigger and better things in his life. We appreciate all the hard work he's put into making *Manticore* shows happen over the last three



years. We'll miss him every time it takes three of us to lift and maneuver John's big gong onto its stand! Thanks for everything, Jesse! And by

the way, remember our partners-in-crime will be performing there as well. [Know Return/Fooling Ourselves](#) will be there right after us, on Wednesday, April 9, doing the best of Kansas and Styx, and our brothers [Total Mass Retain](#) Yes Tribute will be there on Friday, May 16. So show your support and get your tix way in advance.

Onward to our next show - **Manticore**'s debut performance at the fabulous [Dunellen Theatre](#),

in nearby Dunellen New Jersey! Our Jersey fans have been waiting a long time for us to come back to The Garden State. We're very excited to be playing here. The Dunellen has been on our radar for quite some time now. We're so happy to have finally worked out all the particulars.

And hey, just

because the show is in Jersey, it's less than half an hour east of the Outerbridge Crossing on Staten Island! So the location is even favorable for city fans and Long Islanders. Let's show 'em what we got and pack the place on Saturday April 26! We look forward to seeing all y'all there.



Manticore has some recording ventures going on this year. The day before our Daryl's House show, we were over at Mercy University in Dobbs Ferry, NY to record for a friend's studio recording class. We spent the afternoon putting down Karn Evil 9 1st impression part 2, and it's up to Anthony to mix it so that it sounds as close to the original studio recording as possible. We'll make sure to post the finished product for all **Manticore** fans to hear as soon as it's made available to us. It should be pretty amazing. Also on the recording front, remember **Manticore** is going to be

doing a pay-per-view live stream concert video from Blockhead Studios in Farmingdale NY on Saturday, May 17! Keep us in your crosshairs if *Manticore* shows are outside of your regular travel radius. Details have not been made available yet, but we'll keep everyone apprised as soon as the studio starts promoting it. We're doing our best to make the live music of ELP available to all fans near and far.

Finally, here's another reminder that we're fully in stock in the swag department! And in addition to our regular merch, we've now added exclusive *Manticore* Pins, which are really cute and a must-have for 'Core Fans. We'll have *Manticore* shirts in all sizes from M to 3XL & our baseball caps. We've replenished the supply of knit beanies and coffee

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for some, despite several requests, *Manticore* swag is not available online and can only be purchased at a show. So please come down, enjoy the music and take home a physical reminder if you're so inclined. But our main focus is on the music and perpetuating the legacy of Emerson Lake & Palmer.

So stay well and safe. We hope to see you guys at some point at a *Manticore* show! Tell your friends, neighbors, relatives, and anyone else you can think of that there's an Emerson Lake & Palmer tribute show around called *Manticore* that they need to experience! Cheers!

Peace and love!

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