



Gig Review

Review: Any Louder?

Venue: Salisbury Arts Centre

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Reviewer: Katherine Male

Any Louder is where people 15+ can watch local bands as well as headline acts all in one night. This month was quite a special event because American punk rock band *Authority Zero* headlined the event and mentioned that it was their 8th time in Europe making Salisbury quite special.

The Banzukes were the first act to perform but if they were nervous they certainly didn't show it because they were amazing. They had quite a pop/dance/rock feel to their music which I really liked, it was definitely the kind of music I would have on my iPod for when I'm happy and want to dance.

I Met Nature were the next performers. I feel bad for these guys because one of the guitar strings broke. You have to admire them though because whilst the string was being changed the rest of the band would talk with the crowd which was entertaining. You could see slight aggravation on the lead singers face when there was a problem but this didn't affect her singing at all. Some people compare them to Paramore but personally, they're better.

Dakota Skyline were the last performers before *Authority Zero* and they were incredible. The mixture of screaming and singing was really worthwhile because it reaches out to people who like alternative/post hard-core genre. They also included the crowd by asking us to name a new song that was played for us, so if you see a new song with a strange long name, that was us, sorry.

Finally *Authority Zero*, the headline act. They were a completely different genre to all of the other bands seen that night with more a punk/reggae/ska influence but they really got the crowd going. In between songs the lead singer would talk to the crowd a lot which meant we never got bored. These guys were fun, I'm not sure I would listen to them myself but that's just out of personal choice.

The whole event was very friendly and Salisbury Arts Centre was as nice as ever. I'm definitely going to the next one on the 1st of April.

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