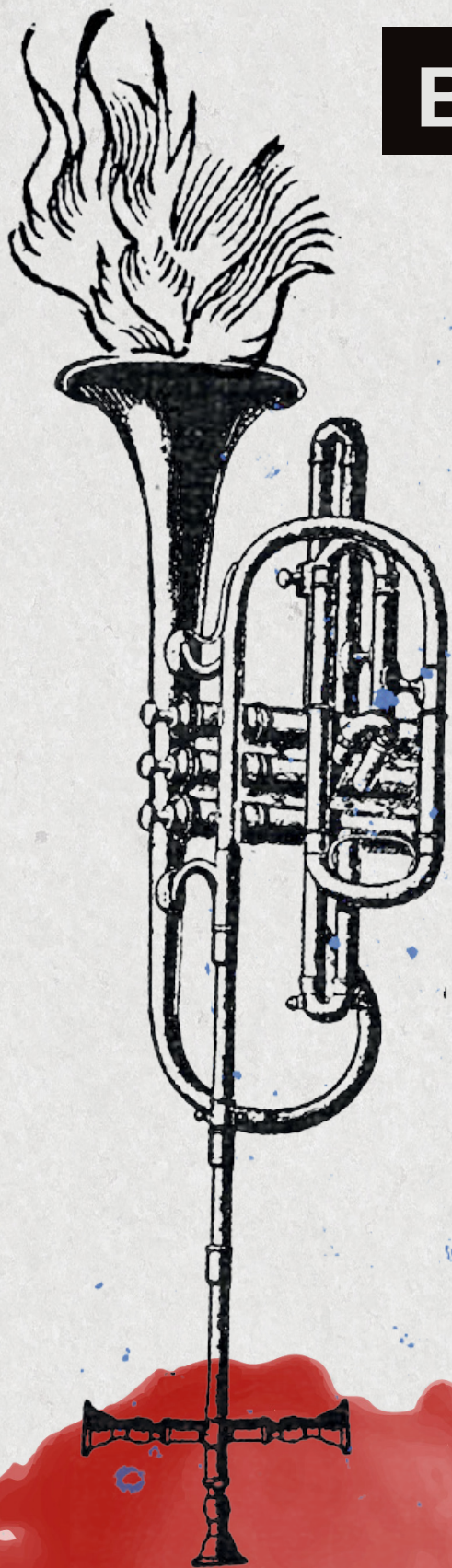




**PN**  
PENSEES  
NOCTURNES  
DEPUIS 1909

**PRESSBOOK**

# BIOGRAPHY



Pensées Nocturnes is a true Frenchie UFO on the Black metal scene and has been following a winding path since 2009, between circus, jazz, musette, tango and classical music. After a very bad depressive start, PN kept its tortured and chaotic face and mixes it with more aerial and sometimes cheerful inspirations. The result is a most brutal and disconcerting cocktail.

In 2017, the band that had first started as a solo project takes shape on stage and treads on the biggest French rostrums (Hellfest, Motocultur, Tyrant Fest, among others), giving life to this grotesque theatre.

Having released an album dedicated to circus in 2019 (Grand Guignol Orchestra), PN delivers its 7th opus in 2022, DOUCE FANGE, an invitation to go back to old France and its insalubrious halls, cut-throat narrow streets, ill-famed brothels and degenerate pubs.

OVNI franchouillard de la scène Black Metal, PN suit depuis 2009 une trajectoire sinueuse, parcourant les méandres du cirque, du jazz, de la musette, du tango ou du classique. Après un départ dépressif très mal parti, PN conserve cette face torturée et chaotique pour la mêler à des inspirations plus envolées et parfois enjouées, résultant en un cocktail des plus brutaux et des plus déconcertants.

En 2017, le groupe qui avait débuté en projet solo prend vie sur scène et foule les plus grands parquets français (Hellfest, Motocultur, Tyrant Fest entres autres), donnant vie à ce théâtre grotesque.

Après un album dédié au cirque en 2019 (Grand Guignol Orchestra), PN délivre en 2022 son 7ème album, DOUCE FANGE, proposant un retour à une vieille France aux Halles insalubres, aux ruelles coupe-gorge, aux bobinards malfamés et aux bistrots dépravés.

## LINE UP LIVE



**Léon Harcore**  
Taulier



**Jérémy**  
Accordéon, clavier,  
voix décapitées



**Roro**  
Guitare



**Jacques**  
Guitare

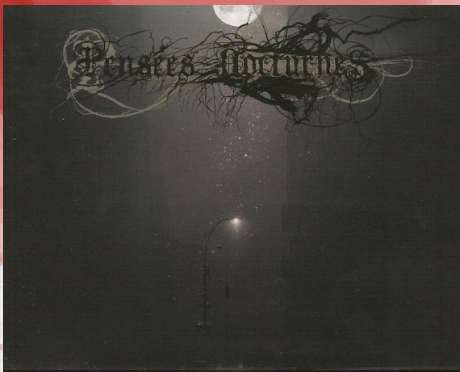


**Jacky**  
Basse



**Le Grand**  
Batterie de cuisine

# DISCOGRAPHY



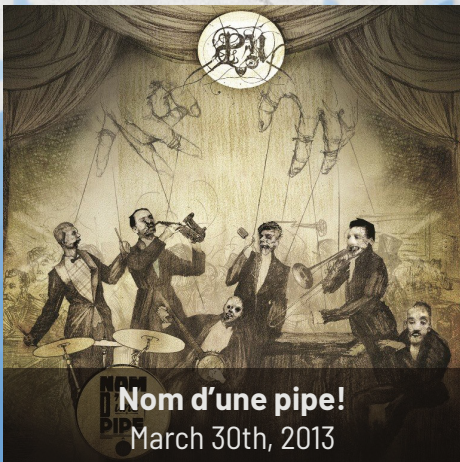
**Vacuum**  
April 3rd, 2009



**Grotesque**  
March 27th, 2010



**Ceci est de la musique**  
2011



**Nom d'une pipe!**  
March 30th, 2013



**À boire et à manger**  
January 16th, 2016



**Grand Guignol Orchestra**  
February 1st, 2019



**Douce fange**  
January 21st, 2022

PN

# PRESS REPORT

Press review - Revue de presse

« Ils n'ont d'autre but que de se faire plaisir et de délivrer la bonne parole qui renverront autant dans les cabarets douteux de Pigalle que vers les troquets miteux à la Antoine Blondin (et son singe en hiver) ou encore les salles de concerts crasseuses qui jalonnent la butte Montmartre et ses alentours. »

Thrashcore (FR)

« Pensées Nocturnes prove two points: For once people from France are a bit of a strange breed. However, being kind of different is not necessarily a bad thing as some of the biggest and most creative artists who have been walking the earth have been like nobody else. Pensées Nocturnes have produced a feast for anyone on the search for a dissonant and challenging piece of blackened art. »

Metal Archives (USA)

« "Douce Fange" liefert vielleicht den ersten Black-Metal-Tango. Zu 100% verrückt »

Metal.de (DE)

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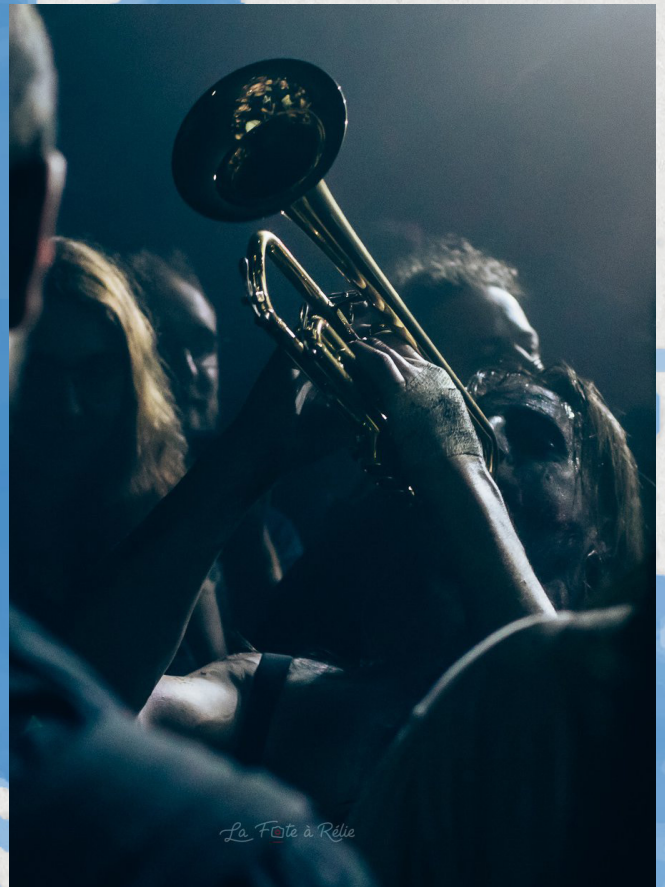
# PRESS REPORT

## FROM THE DUST (USA)

Why is it the most distinctly and/or disturbingly French black metal bands have the initials P. N.? Paris' Pensées Nocturnes might not answer that question with their seventh full-length *Douce fange*, but they will once again answer the calling of carnival-fresh, aurally anarchic and murderous black metal with a sax section, and they will answer that calling in an even more brazen way than on their 2019 oddity *Grand Guignol Orchestra*. This is a strange, STRANGE sound the group has put together, not only in how the metal content fuses with the other instruments and the almost tongue-in-cheek, mocking nature of its presentation, but in how they use a lot of bizarre, gonzo jazz elements with the brass and drumming that sound just as alien on their own cognizance.

*Douce fange* is a chaotic but controlled clutter of traditional black metal guitar aesthetics, wavering and haunting vocal lines that sound like a drunken street hawker, and the added confusion of all the brass that make it sound like a stinking circus stuffed down some Parisian back alley in the early 20th century. In general, the compositions are lurching, non-linear and completely inconsiderate of what arrangements your mind wishes to mold them into, but it's also consistently compelling. New tricks arrive at almost every street stall or corner, with more narrative spurts of vocals in native French, or eerier, dissonant atmospheric guitars. The bass playing has a fantastic, fat sound to it which rumbles around the shifting tides of the riffs, and the drummer sounds like he stepped in for a Miles Davis album and got a bunch of metal freaks instead, but then rises to the challenge. There are some truly intense and ridiculous passages like in «PN mais Costaud!» where the double bass starts going crazy and there's this whole array of wild screaming and growls along with the confusing but somehow structured guitar patterns, all to disappear into some softer tremolo picked lines, samples and horns, and it's that manic few measures that really sum up the album.

You've got to steel yourself for *Douce fange*, but it's rewarding for its fearsome and lollygagging contrasts, and it's not like the band just stumbled upon this, because the previous album was sort of a trial run for this mutation in the band's career. The production is very well balanced despite the almost sweltering randomness of how the tunes are laid out, and even the packaging lives up to the music with its collages of weird billets and advertisements for oddities and social unrest. Trust me, this is a CD booklet unlike any other you'll see this year, and it's quite impressive. I'm sure there's quite a lot to the concepts here I'm not fully understanding, even my wife who speaks French and lived there for a year was a little baffled. The schizophrenic and freeform nature of this music is one of a kind, and I find I keep picking out more details with each listen. It's like *Shining* and *Mr. Bungle* jamming while they all twirl a bunch of moustaches. Looney bin brilliance.



*La Fote à Rélie*

# FUTURE & PAST SHOWS

2023.11.24 - 26

Messe des Morts XI  
Théâtre Paradoxe · Montréal,  
Quebec, Canada

2023.08.09 - 12

Brutal Assault  
Fortress Josefov · Czech Republic

2023.06.29 - 07.01

Kilkim Žaibu  
· Ukmergė, Lithuania

2023.05.27

KREIZ Y FEST  
Étang du Korong · Glomel

2023.05.24

Pensées Nocturnes + guests  
O'Sullivan's Backstage By The Mill ·  
Paris

2023.05.16 - 18

STEELFEST  
Hyvinkää · Finlande

2022.05.13

Pensées Nocturnes - «Saignant et à  
Poings» Release Party  
Black Dog · Paris

2022.04.22

10 ans à se mordre la queue !  
Brasserie Ouroboros · Freycenet-  
la-Tour

2022.03.26

TYRANT RELOADING  
The BLACK LAB · Villeneuve-d'Ascq

2022.03.24

Pensées Nocturnes + Cepheide +  
Nature Morte @ Glazart  
GLAZART · Paris

2022.03.18

BLACK METAL NIGHT IX  
Le Ferrailleur Club Concert · Nantes

2019.12.05

Nantes Metal Fest 2019  
Le Ferrailleur Club Concert · Nantes

2019.11.22

Black Metal Night IV  
Le Camji · Niort

2019.11.16

Tyrant Fest 2019 · Oignies

2019.10.26

Five the Hierophant [UK] //  
Pensées Nocturnes [FRA] +  
Libertiner  
Underwerket · København

2019.10.26

Svart Oktober Fest 2019  
Blitz (movement) · Oslo

2019.10.24

Pensées Nocturnes (FR) + Five the  
Hierophant (UK) @Fängelset  
Fängelset · Göteborg

2019.10.18

Into The Void 2019  
Neushoorn · Leeuwarden

2019.10.05

Catch de Dessinateurs à  
Moustaches + Pensées Nocturnes  
Petit Bain · Paris

2019.08.30

Keudfest 2019  
Cossé-En-Champagne · Cossé-en-  
Champagne



# FUTURE & PAST SHOWS

2019.08.15

Motocultor Festival Xlle édition  
Saint-Nolff · Saint-Nolff

2019.05.18

Pensées Nocturnes (FR) + Vrovl  
Magasin 4 · Brussel

2019.05.17

Black Ritual & HB Concerts pres:  
Pensées Nocturnes / Unholy Lust  
LittleDevil Bar · Tilburg

2019.04.25

Pensées Nocturnes - Pénitence  
Onirique - Psygnosis  
GLAZART · Paris

2019.03.09

Pensées Nocturnes / VICID /  
Archean - La M.A.C

2019.02.09

Pensées Nocturnes - Pénitence  
Onirique - VOID // Les Cuizines  
Les Cuizines · Chelles

2018.10.06 - 07

Les Acteurs de l'Ombre Fest  
· Nantes

2018.06.22 - 25

Hellfest 2018 (Official Event)  
· Clisson

2017.11.10

Pensées nocturnes + Au Dessus +  
Heir  
Undertown · Genève

2017.11.09

Pensées nocturnes + Au Dessus +  
Heir · Tanneries, Dijon

2017.11.08

Pensées nocturnes + Au Dessus +  
Heir  
Le Ferrailleur Club Concert · Nantes

2017.11.07

Pensées nocturnes + Au Dessus +  
Heir  
GLAZART · Paris



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