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# BIG WHEEL



**BW:** So since arriving you've had to adapt quite a bit to our ways. What problems have you had fitting in with earth folk?

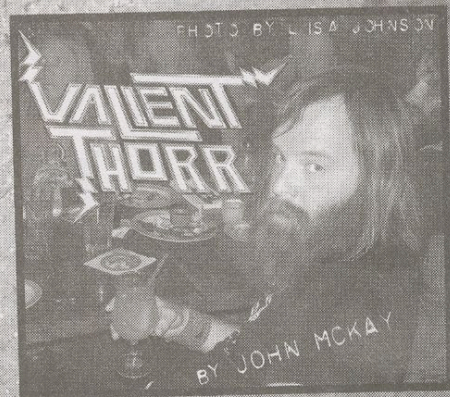
**VT:** Well, we've dealt with so many situations so far, and then you know how like, when there is a decision-making process going on in a normal man or woman's body, they always choose between the two sides. Not necessarily always good or bad, that choice is, but it's what you would assume, what's the better of the two choices, whereas we see a choice as not necessarily good or bad, but just another choice, regardless of the ramifications. It takes thousands upon thousands of points during the day where you choose a different path, it's like you're always walking, and it's some kind of crazy tree that branches off, and you choose which branch to take every day, everything from brushing your teeth to the socks you wear to picking that penny up off the ground to, you know, everything. Going through years and years and years and years of becoming wiser and wiser, learning to condition our beards with the correct conditioners, we've become pretty good at decision-making. Only now, when we fuck up, we have to face the consequences.

**BW:** The form you guys assume now, does it resemble the form you had when you left Burlatia, or did you have to make physical alterations to blend in?

**VT:** Yeah, we had to do a lot of things, like, earth is primarily earth persons that we're feeding off of. We don't really have bodies like earth people. Inside Venus where Burlatia is, life does not live anything like North Carolina. Earth is a fucking infinite planet. Things that will grow on earth haven't even begun to grow. Mountains are sort of like anthills. Trees, like, the old redwood-type trees, they're just shrubbery compared to what they'll grow into. If you look at

a planet like Venus, it's a dead planet where things have run its course. Earth is still like a brand new planet. Brand ass new. The makeup of the planet is still forming, and the way earth creatures were formed, they're at a very infant stage and could end up being a great, great planet. But the people here are totally fucking ruining it. I mean, cavemen were better off than man today, because they didn't have all those ridiculous chemicals and they didn't have as many emotions. Did you know that there's 1400 different emotions that man can have, yet the human brain is flawed so much as to only create language that can express about 20% of the emotions that you can actually have? Therefore, the only way for the human race to go any further than where they are is to come up with other forms of communication. The most genius invention on earth is rock & roll music. Music packaged in the music biz comes packaged visually and audibly. Sonic communication is furthering and it's one of the only ways that earth will save itself, you know what I mean? It's not what we set out to do, but we've kind of made it our goal to point this shit out to people.

*Recently, Valient Thorr stormed the shores of Waikiki as part of the annual Punk On A Rock festival. The Venusian Rock'n'Rollers shared a stage at the Pipeline Cafe, shredding eardrums with the likes of Bleeding Through, Good Riddance and headliner Andrew WK. Valient Thorr shared the brutal force of their pure Venusian Rock'n'Roll energy with local Hawaiian Punks and emo kids (they totally have myspace hair in Waikiki, too!) who drank up every drop that was offered. The Thorr's did the same, sampling the island's finest libations: The Mai Tai, The Tropical Itch, The Blue Hawaiian, and some good old fashioned salt water via the Pacific Ocean and a snorkling trip.*



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