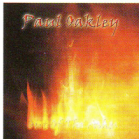


# PAUL OAKLEY

"Out Of The Ashes"

Genre: Instrumental Rock  
Independent Release



Paul Oakley is an English guitarist from Suffolk. He's also a self-taught guitarist, which makes this CD a bit unbelievable. The CD contains eleven tracks of guitar widdling and ranges in style from Satch to Gilmour and most points in between.

Opening with "One Last Ride", the initial sound is similar to Satriani's "The Extremist", but then on second track "Cattitude" he comes over all Steve Vai. Later on he goes through a Malmsteen phase ("Driving Me Crazy") and closes with a David Gilmour impression ("Final Sunset"). So what we have here is a varied and talented guitarist.

Paul Oakley has produced a highly listenable album with some great guitar work. He shows the versatility that is essential for anyone making instrumental albums; he has the speed, the feeling and the melody. Definitely one for any fans of guitar based rock.

POWERPOINTS: ①②③④⑤⑥⑦

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