

# VIGOR

## \*\*\* Band history \*\*\*

Vigor was founded 1994 in Salzburg, Austria, and consisted for some time of Gery Kaiser on the guitar, Jiri Vacha on keyboards, bass, and vocals, as well as Ralph Fingerlos on drums. The different musical orientations of the involved guys always resulted in a broad mix of styles. Gery comes from 80s hardrock/metal, while Jiri contributes his blues-rock voice, and Ralph even draws from the death-metal scene. In this way, 6 records have been produced, 4 CDs, 1 maxi, 1 single. In the meantime, there occurred some personnel changes. First, the keyboardist, bassist and singer Jiri had to leave for reasons of health. Later, drummer Ralph followed because of problems with his hand. New additions were, therefore, Rade on keyboards and vocals in 2008, and Manuel on drums in 2009.

The musical bandwidth was widened again as a result. Rades tendencies toward stoner-rock and doom can be heard clearly in some songs. And Manuel has a very modern style due to his background in 90s rock and metal bands, which influences the sound a lot. In this formation, the work proceeded quickly. Thus, recordings for the new album began in 2010. In 2011, the album was released (Out of Habit) and supported by gigs in the near and middle surroundings. Also, two videos have been produced, "Indispensable" with visual material from live appearances, and "The Fatalist" as a shot music-video under the direction of our trained filmer Gery. Currently, new songs are in the making, so be prepared for the next album.

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## \*\*\* Band members \*\*\*

Gery Kaiser - Guitar. Gery is by now the only remaining founding member of Vigor. He runs a studio in Bischofshofen and produces CDs on his own label Lakechurch Production/Jumping High Records. As such, he produced all CDs of Vigor and contributed his studio experience in recording and mixing also the latest album. Gery's musical background is hardrock/metal bands of all decades.

Rade Kutil - Keyboards, Vocal. Rade was introduced in 2008 to substitute his predecessor who had to leave the band for reasons of health. Although having been making music for a long time, Vigor is his really is first band. Because the band is lacking a bassist, Rade plays the bass lines with his left hand on the keyboard, while his right hand plays the actual keyboard sound. Rade usually listens to sludge-doom, stoner-rock and post-metal.

Manuel Schlick - Drums. Manuel entered the band in 2009, after his predecessor had to lay down the drum sticks because of recurring pains in his hand. Manuel has played in quite a few bands as main or temporary drummer. Thus, he brings along a lot of experience despite being the youngest member. He listens to 90s/00s alternative/post-grunge/nu-metal.

## "Play Your Part"

"Play Your Part" is the sixth recording by Vigor, the second one of the current lineup. After "Out of Habit" (2011), Vigor focuses more on contemporary hard rock, again with strong influences of stoner rock, prog rock and alternative rock. Most tracks were created in the band's rehearsal room and have already been tested on live audience. The central idea behind the compositions was to produce robust riffs and catchy melodies which are neither banal nor over-intellectual, which don't knock you down but also don't lose themselves in soundscapes, which are melodic and still heavy. After long twiddling with recording and sound engineering, the band is happy to present the result.



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