

# Withering Surface

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## PRESS INFO

Withering Surface was formed in late 1994 and has ever since had their personal expression in their very own melodic and catchy death metal universe. This has placed the band in the top of the Danish metal league throughout their entire career.

With the first two albums, *Scarlet Silhouettes* (1997) and *The Nude Ballet* (1999), which were both released on the Scandinavian label Voices of Wonder / Euphoniou, the domestic success was secured. *The Nude Ballet* was even nominated for a Danish Grammy in the hard rock category.

In 2002 *Walking On Phantom Ice* (Copro Productions) kicked in the doors to the foreign countries on a higher scale than the band had experienced before. Whatever the future will bring will show when the forth album, *Force the Pace*, is released on June 14th this year through Scarlet Records in Europe and on June 23rd through King Records in Japan.

*Force The Pace* was recorded at the Antfarm Studios in Aarhus, Denmark with producer Tue Madsen (known for his work with Raunchy, Mnemic and The Haunted amongst others). The album is a further development of the bands expression and contains the hardest and most complete Withering Surface material to date. Expect a disc load of melodic, aggressive and catchy metal tunes that will leave you breathless and stick to your mind forever!

On the live front you can expect a top tuned and tight orchestra that – besides the Danish fans – also the foreign audience had the chance to enjoy on the bands UK-tour with Opeth and Arch Enemy and of course on the biggest metal festival in Northern Europe, Wacken Open Air in 2002. Furthermore, Withering Surface once again excited a massive audience on their spring tour with fellow contrymen Iniquity through Germany in 2003, where the band gathered inspiration and energy for the recording of the upcoming album.



### Line up:

Michael H. Andersen - vocals  
K. B. Larsen - bass  
Allan Tvedebrink - guitars  
Jacob Krogholt - guitars  
Nikolaj Borg - drums

### Discography:

*Scarlet Silhouettes* (Voices of Wonder 1997)  
*The Nude Ballet* (Voices of Wonder 1999)  
*Forever Fragile 7"* (Prutten Records 2000)  
*Walking On Phantom Ice* (Copro productions 2002)  
*Ichor* MCD (Wither Music 2003)  
*Force The Pace* (Scarlet Records 2004)

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## HISTORY OVERVIEW

- Formed in October
- 1994**
- The demo *Unique* is recorded at Take One, Roskilde, Denmark in August and released in September
  - *Unique* get a lot of attention worldwide along with the prize as Best Demo of '95 on National Danish Radio
- 1995**
- Featured on the renowned compilation *Extremity Rising*-series from Serious Entertainment
  - A record deal with Voices of Wonder / Euphonious is signed
  - Recording of the debut album *Scarlet Silhouettes* at Studio Fredman in Gothenburg, Sweden (At the Gates, Dark Tranquility, In Flames). Guest appearance by Jesper Strömblad (In Flames)
- 1996**
- *Scarlet Silhouettes* is released in March
  - Mini tour in Germany with Night In Gales and Purgatory in March
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  - Scandinavian tour with Dimmu Borgir and Old Man's Child in November
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- *The Nude Ballet* is written and recorded. Again produced by Fredrik Nordström at the Fredman Studio (with co-producer Anders Fridén of In Flames)
  - The album is mastered at Sweet Silence Studios (Metallica, Morbid Angel)
  - *The Nude Ballet* is released in December
- 1999**
- *The Nude Ballet* gets a nomination for the Best Hard Rock Release of '98 at the Danish Grammy Awards
  - The bonus track *Forever Fragile* is recorded for the Japanese release of *TNB* (through Marquee) at acclaimed producer Jacob Hansens's Aabanraa Studio, Denmark in March
  - Performance at northern Europe's biggest festival, Roskilde Festival in Juli
  - The *Forever Fragile 7"* EP with recordings from the Aabenraa Studio is released
- 2000**
- The cooperation with Voices of Wonder ends
  - The *Joyless Journey Promo* is recorded with Berno Paulsson (The Haunted, Deranged, Amon Amarth) at Berno Studio, Malmö, Sweden in September in order to pursue a new record deal
- 2001**
- A three album deal is signed with UK based Copro Productions
  - *Walking On Phantom Ice* is recorded at the Berno Studio with Berno Paulsson and co-producer Johan Axelsson (of Deranged) in July
  - *WOPI* is released in September
  - Danish tour with fellow danes Iniquity in the winter 01/02
- 2002**
- UK tour with Opeth and Arch Enemy in May
  - Performance at Wacken Open Air in August
  - Small DK tour with Raunchy
- 2003**
- The Ichor MCD is released through Wither Music in April.
  - German tour with Iniquity and Germanys own My Cold Embrace in April
  - The cooperation with Copro is suddenly ended
  - *Force The Pace* is recorded at the Antfarm Studio with producer Tue Madsen (Mnemic, The Haunted, Heaven Shall Burn) in September/October
  - A two album deal is signed with Scarlet Records

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