Fango recently caught up with comedian Brian Posehn, whom genre fans will know better as an occasional actor on Rob Zombie projects like THE DEVIL'S REJECTS and THE HAUNTED WORLD OF EL SUPERBEASTO. Posehn took some time off from his current tour to talk about his new epic heavy metal/comedy album FART AND WIENER JOKES (out now on Relapse Records) and some potential horror projects.

FANGORIA: How has the tour been going, with the album coming out?

BRIAN POSEHN: Oh, it's been great, but I'm always kind of perpetually on tour, whenever I'm not shooting the show [THE SARAH SILVERMAN PROGRAM]; it's not really a tour just for the record. But I am in the middle of some other stuff; I've gotta go do JIMMY FALLON as soon as I'm done with Indianapolis here, so yeah, it's been a busy week for me.

FANG: Let's talk about the cover artwork. It's like 3 Inches of Blood meets Clark Griswold in the poster for NATIONAL LAMPOON's VACATION…

POSEHN: [*Laughs*] Right!

FANG: All these decapitated comedians on the cover, any bad blood with them in real life?

POSEHN: No, no. I don't have bad blood with anybody. It's all just a joke. I don't hate any of

those people. They're all kind of easy targets. Just using the most famous comedians you would know was kind of the key, 'cause we couldn't really pick anybody you wouldn't recognize easily. When I came up with the concept, the idea was to pick the people who are sort of larger than life, that everyone would know right away. The obvious ones, like your Dane Cook, your Jeff Dunham and Carlos Mencia and guys like that… It was just me being silly.

I came up with the title FART AND WIENER JOKES first, 'cause that's a thing I say in my act. I decided it was going to be the name of the album, and once I decided that, you know, the idea sort of came to me. I was talking with the record label, and it was like, 'Well, it's gotta be funny, and it's also gotta be metal 'cause I'm on a metal label, and we want people to know it's a comedy record right away,' and that was what I came up with, It was like, "Oh, Manowar!"—you know, with a giant sword and a flag that says FART AND WIENER JOKES and then a pile of dead comedians!

FANG: On the cover, you have enscribed on your sword "DTFC," which many know by now as "Death to False Comedy." Is that another "stab" at all the dead comedians as well?

POSEHN: It can be seen as that, but I don't think any of those guys are doing false comedy. Everybody does what they do; I don't think I'm better than them or anything. Again, it's just me being silly.

FANG: I was really hoping for a zombie Sam Kinison.

POSEHN: Well, Sam Kinison I love, so I wouldn't do that. I didn't throw in anyone I really liked. Margaret Cho and I haven't been friends for a long, long time. Or Kathy Griffin, so I had no problem throwing them under the bus.

FANG: You've done shows with Mastodon and share a band with Anthrax's Scott Ian; any plans on a full-length album?

POSEHN: Yeah—it's not on the calendar, but I definitely have thought about it. But you know, the thing is, I don't really see myself as a singer; if you've heard my songs, you know I can't

really sing. It's more of a joke, and I'm gonna see what happens with "More Metal Than You" [from the FART album] and if it seems like a lot of people are really into it, then I might do something down the road. As far as going on tour, I don't like that too much anyway. It might be a fun thing to do once with a band, but I don't really see myself as that guy…but I'm not ruling it out. I love writing music with Scott and I love writing funny lyrics, so…

FANG: How do you like the video for "More Metal Than You" (seen below)?

POSEHN: I just saw the final version and it's really great. We pretty much just hit every joke in the song. I'm really happy with it.

FANG: You played Jimmy the roadie in DEVIL'S REJECTS and also lent your voice to EL SUPERBEASTO. Any genre acting parts coming up in the near future?

POSEHN: I wish. I don't have anything in the pipeline. I sure would like for horror directors to think of me, though, when they're thinking of killers. Because I have the body type to play one of those guys. I'm a little heavy, but I could hit a gym if someone told me I was gonna play Jason, you know? That's always been kind of a dream. Especially when I meet Kane Hodder and I'm two inches taller than him. It's like, "Hey, I could be menacing!"

FANG: Do you still sleep naked with a baby mask on and a samurai sword taped to your hand?

POSEHN: Every night. You never know who's coming in. So…I'm ready!

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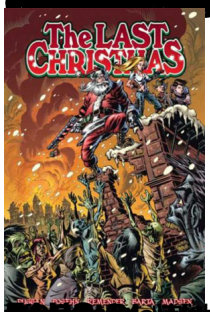

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