Paul Parry

Paul Parry grew up in South Wales, Great Britain, and was influenced by bands such as Iron Maiden, Judas Priest, Whitesnake, AC/DC, Scorpions, and Glenn Hughes. At the age of 17, he joined his first band. For the next three years, Paul gained notoriety by playing at local events.

Through this exposure, a successful touring band *Tredegar* came knocking on his door needing a new lead singer. The band was made up of former members of *Budgie*, Ray Phillips (drummer), and Tony Bourge (guitarist). *Budgie* was an influence for Metallica, who covered two of *Budgie*'s songs on their Garage Inc. album (Breadfan, Crash Course in Brain Surgery). With Paul, they recorded one album and toured extensively for two years. Paul then packed up and moved to Germany where he played clubs for a year and a half with a band called *Tramp*. They toured Sweden, Switzerland, Holland, and Italy. He loved the experience and, needless to say, he had a great time.

Paul then received a call from California asking him to join the band *Hard Knoxx*. So Paul said his goodbyes and across the pond he went. Paul made California his new home and had a great time writing and playing original songs.

In 2005, Paul met Karl Wilcox, the drummer from *Diamond Head*, who invited him to sing on his latest recording project with *Rekuiem*. The guitarist and bass player were back in England, and the vocals and drums were recorded in California, and then sent to England for mixing. The CD is called Time Will Tell with a video on YouTube. The band got a three-year contract with Majestic Records and the CDs with sold worldwide. Since *Rekuiem* members were on two different continents, they were not able to play many gigs together.

Paul teamed up with a great group of guys to create an 80's cover band called *AXIS*, to keep developing his vocals. He has played with them for ten years, having a lot of fun playing at different venues. He is now ready to take on the challenges of David Coverdale and Whitesnake.