



# Presents HINDER

Hinder is an American rock band from Oklahoma that was formed in 2001 by drummer Cody Hanson, guitarist Joe Garvey, and singer Austin Winkler. The band was inducted into the Oklahoma Music Hall of Fame in 2007.

Hinder play bad-boy rock in the vein of Buckcherry and Guns N' Roses. Their music videos (not to mention the cover of their debut album, *Extreme Behavior*) play up the titillating image of scantily clad women, their lyrics focus on sex and drugs, and in interviews the band members enjoy bragging about their sexual conquests on the road. Hinder got together at the dawn of the 21st century in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma - the quintet signed with Universal Motown soon after.



Hinder released *Extreme Behavior* in 2005. The album generated five singles, including several that crossed over onto the pop charts. "Lips of an Angel" was the biggest smash, a prototypical power ballad that wouldn't have felt out of place being performed by a hair-metal band of the 1980s. In several ways, *Extreme Behavior* recalled that era's pop accessibility and good-time raunch, and lead singer Austin Winkler's rock-star presence and pinup looks went a long way to cementing the album's success. *Extreme Behavior* snared triple-platinum sales, although critics were roundly unimpressed.

Hinder returned with their follow-up album, *Take It to the Limit*, on November 4, 2008. The lead single, "Use Me," quickly climbed up the mainstream rock charts and announced that the group still loved bad girls and sleazy hard-rock attitude. The second single, "Without You," switched gears by being an emotional breakup ballad.

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