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Let me first say that it was a good friend of mine that told me to check out this show. I hadn't heard of The Expendables up until he mentioned them. But, he was very excited to see them and I trust his musical taste, so I decided to give it a shot. Let's just say... very nice, very nice!

The show was a good mix of young and old and the venue was crowded but not packed. Things started early because there were 3 openers. First up was, [The Snips](#), who were very fun, a bit hard rock, and sounded kinda like, Saves The Day, full of angst. Next, [The Flatliners](#), from Canada (won't hold that against them) but, I really enjoyed their set. They had really catchy hooks with a mix of rock and ska. I might feel old in saying this but the first two bands did sound slightly the same, but different. Both very good stuff though.

Ok next, [John Browns Body](#). It seemed a bit weird but, the consensus of the crowd was really talking about this band and when they came on I understood why. The lead vocalist steps on stage, with a voice as big as he is, and boom... the crowd goes crazy. Oddly enough, I hadn't really heard of them, but I felt like should have and I'm upset that I hadn't. I could only describe it as a very progressive reggae sound. Big band style with a horn section, keys, everything. Great sound... real music that gets you involved. They almost stole the show.

But here we go... [The Expendables!](#) With a tough act to follow, they did so with flying colors! They definitely do it all... very west coast feel with sounds of reggae, ska, and a bit of punk or hardcore. But it all mended together well. I thought of 311 while watching and listening to them. Lots of stage presence and a great show. Vocals were passed between the drummer (Adam Patterson) and guitarist (Geoff Weers) who both really took command of the songs they were singing. There were plenty of tracks that stood out and got me moving. Along with the crowd singing the words, there was a good amount of loyal fans representing.

All in all, I'm glad my friend turned me onto this show and The Expendables. Already bought their latest album "Prove It" and it's making heavy rotation in the iPhone playlist. So if you haven't heard these guys, go check'em out! -Reggie Carter

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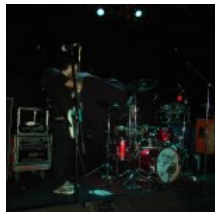
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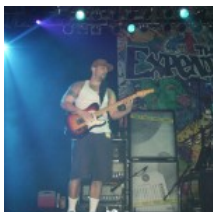
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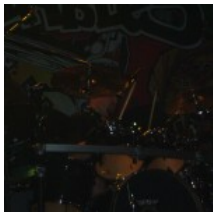
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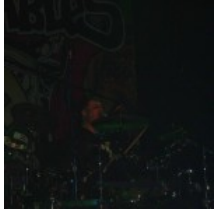
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