Us & Them: Korean Indie Rock in a K-Pop World

Introduction and Q&A with the Producer

The spread of South Korean popular music, or K-pop, has been a striking global phenomenon. But there is also a vibrant Korean indie and punk scene. “Us & Them” follows several of Korea’s best-known indie bands as they embark on their first U.S. tour in 2011. The spotlight lands on Crying Nut, the godfathers of Korean underground rock; the stylish RockTigers, Korea’s most successful rockabilly band; and Whatever That Means..., a melodic punk band. The film is narrated by noted Korean-American musician Mike Park of Skankin’ Pickle and the B. Lee Band and the founder of DIY label Asian Man Records.

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