

# TAINĒ



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is a Romanian word of Slavonic origin, commonly used to express “hidden things” or “mystery”. Etymologically, the word “taină” is the correspondent of the Latin “sacramentum” (a translation of the Greek “mysterion”), meaning “sacred thing”, or “sanctify”. It may also refer to the mysteries of the crop circle formations left on the surface of the Earth by unknown entities.

## ACHIEVEMENTS:

- More than **300 live shows** over the band's 20 years of existence, including local opening acts for Meshuggah, Kreator, Vader, Napalm Death, Ancient, Sepultura, Obituary, Atheist, Master, Quo - Vadis , Hypocrisy, Death DTA, and many more.
- More than 30 local and international rock festivals.
- More than 20 nominations and awards for "best drummer", "best live performance", "best technical/instrumental act".
- Numerous radio, TV broadcasts, interviews and magazine interviews.
- 1994 - Petre Magdin, a famous TV producer, invited TAINE to film several [videos](#) for the National Romanian Television (TVR1) in the TV show "Întâlnirea de la miezul nopții" ("The Midnight Meeting"), the most popular Romanian TV show dedicated to rock music.
- 1997 - featuring appearance on the compilation "Underground Romania Rock" Vol. 2.
- 2002 - TAINE, in collaboration with DRC Image, completed a professional shooting on several [live acts](#) and released band's first video compilation (a two-hour show).
- 2003 - with image director Andi Ioniță's support, TAINE shot their first official video for the maxi-single "[No Personality](#)", a video released exclusively on MTV Romania. The single achieved great visibility on local television and on the internet.
- 2004/2005 - Driven by the success of "No Personality" video and with the aid of a group of students from the Drama and Film Academy (UNATC), TAINE shot a second video for the song "[Înger și Demon](#)". Being a modern film footage (but shot on celluloid film), the material was broadcasted and promoted on all music channels in Romania at the time. "Heavy Metal Magazine" included this track on its special edition DVD.
- 2005 - the band, under its own label, "Taine-Records", produced "Decade of Metal" anniversary concert, an exquisite show that stood out on account of its multimedia premiere. The performance was filmed and video-projected on stage, in real time. The material was used later on for the first DVD released by a Romanian band. Named "[TAINE-DECADE OF METAL](#)", the DVD also included the band's biography, an interview by Lenți Chiriac (a well-known TV Producer), concert and backstage footage, videos, a Dolby show reel and a photo gallery. The DVD was sold out shortly after its release.
- In 2008, [Taine-Records](#) released another video product, "[TAINE-LIVE IN STUDIO](#)" a full audio Live DVD album, recorded in the band's studio. This DVD included 12 most important tracks, in the band's history, plus a cover song - [The Philosopher](#) - in memoriam of Chuck Schuldiner. The DVD features multiple shooting angles, English and Romanian subtitles, a Dolby surround mix, a bonus audio CD and a digipack layout designed by the graphic artist Costin Chioreanu (Twilight13 Media).
- In June 2011, after nearly two years of research, the band started to experiment live audio-video synchronization. This time, TAINE made its reappearance with a self-produced multimedia show performed live at [Wings Club](#), Bucharest, instantly getting specialized media's attention and a strong positive feedback from the audience.
- TAINE continues to work on improving the multimedia show featuring live synchronized video projection, accompanying the on-stage performance. The video composition, combined with the band's "death, progressive, thrash, jazz, mathcore, ambient, noise" original sound, completely transforms a plain rock concert into a main stream audio-visual show.

Today, 20 years from its debut, TAINÉ's eye-catching shows, the faithful fans and press references stand proof of the band's musical and stage maturity.

As of December 28<sup>th</sup> 2013, the band has released a 6 track EP entitled "Resurrection".

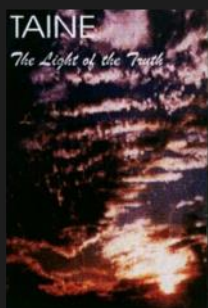
- 2014, brings forth a lineup change, with Robert "Sep" Pieptan (bass) stepping out and making room for Alexei Nichiforof, a talented jazz-metal influenced bass player. The band played numerous national gigs.

- Late 2015 brought new songs to the table as the band prepares it's new studio release. The band is to release the songs as singles before they are released onto the record. 2015 has been a busy year performance-wise, the band playing numerous national gigs as well as Euro dates in Bulgaria, Turkey and Greece, a special reunion show in Bucharest's "Fabrica" club and the biggest show in 2015 was opening for the Death DTA Tour in Arenele Romane, Bucharest.

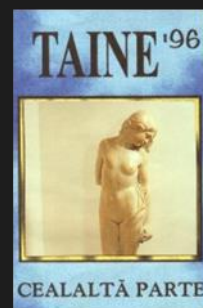
- 2016 has 3 songs out, one accompanied by a video. "Three Days In Darkness" was the first single to hit the online market in early 2016 and has received positive reviews from both national and international publications. The heavy orchestral sound combined with a live choir and gloomy apocalyptic atmosphere gives a first glimpse into the band's new sound. The next single is a tribute to the lives lost in the tragic Colectiv club fire, "The Dark Days of Our Lives" is probably the heaviest and darkest song the band has ever released. But Taine has long been known for it's intricate progressive riffs and complex rhythmic phrases, put together in a somewhat melodic manner. "The World Does Not Change" is all of that and more, a final statement that the new record due in 2017 is a complete evolution for the band's sound. "The world Does Not Change" is also the first video Taine has released since "Inger sau Demon" in 2003. The video features a final appearance by drummer Adrian Tabacaru who has decided to pursue a solo career. The band will continue to record and release singles from the new material and resume it's live activity, having taken on board Teo Popp behind the drums, a young and talented progressive drummer.

- 2017 finds the band finishing the writing process for the next LP, with a new line-up, new sound and a busy schedule since the record will be finished this year.

## DISCOGRAPHY



1994 "The Light Of The Truth" (Demo tape)



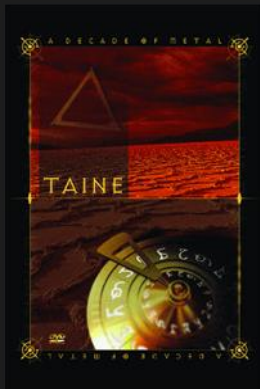
1996 "Cealaltă parte" (Demo tape)



1999 “*Cealaltă parte*” - LP album  
(Tape / CD)  
Label: Promusic Prod



2004 “*Decade of Metal*” - EP  
(Multimedia CD)  
Label: Promusic Pro



2005 “*TAINÉ- Decade of Metal*”  
DVD (biography & concerts)  
Label: Taine-Records



2008 “*Live in Studio*” - DVD + CD  
(live in studio performance)  
Label: Taine-Records



2013 “*Resurrection*” EP  
Label: Taine-Records



2016 "The World Does Not Change" / "Three Days In Darkness" / "The Dark Days Of Our Lives"  
Singles

Heavy Metal Magazine: "...Taine is one of the most appreciated bands in the Romanian underground. The instrumental technique of the band members is truly impressive, and once you've seen them performing live, you will surely come back to their next concerts."

Underground Metal Fan: "...elaborated heavy metal, featuring an overwhelming rhythmic frenzy and flawless cohesion, years of anti-commercial and uncompromising "true metal", in which the band stayed true to underground and its fans."

Maximum Rock: "In terms of emotion and sensation, you will experience interesting surprises when attending a Taine live performance...so get all your senses ready!"

## HIGHLIGHTS

### **MAJOR FESTIVALS, AWARDS AND TOURS:**

Metal Fan 1993 - Bucharest, Romania  
Eco Pop 1994 - Bucharest, Romania  
Posada 1994 - Câmpulung, Romania - "Third Prize Award"  
Young Rock For Young 1995 - Piatra Neamț, Romania  
Rock Constellations 1995 - Râmnicu Vâlcea, Romania  
Galele Metal Fan 1996 - Bucharest, Romania - "Grand Prize Award"  
Samus Rock 1997 - Satu-Mare, Romania "Second Prize Award for Best Act"  
Rock Music 1997 - Dej, Romania - "Grand Prize Award for Best Performance"  
Top-T 1997 - Buzău, Romania - "Grand Prize Award"  
Posada 1997 - Câmpulung - "Grand Prize Award"  
Turris Metal Night 1998, Romania  
Metal Heart I - 2002 - Costinești, Romania  
Maximum Rock 2002 - Cluj, Romania  
Studio Rock Open Air Festival 2002 - Bucharest, Romania  
FIMU Music Festival 2002 - Belfort, France  
Tribute To Monsters Of Rock 2003 - Dittigheim, Germany  
Decade of Metal 2004 - Bucharest, Romania  
Stufstock Festival 2005 - Vama Veche, Romania

Sziget Festival 2006 - Budapest, Hungary  
Transilvania Rock 2007 - Tg. Mures, Romania  
November Metal Fest 2008 - Bucharest, Romania  
Top-T 2009 - Buzau, Romania  
Romanian Tour March 2009 - Romania  
O.S.T. Festival 2011 - Brasov, Romania  
Posada 2011 - Câmpulung, Romania  
Resurrection Tour - December 2011, Romania  
Romanian Thrash Metal Fest 2012 - Bucharest, Romania  
Metal Crush 2012 - Bucharest, Romania  
BestFest 2012 - Bucharest, Romania  
DevilStone Fest 2013 - Lithuania  
Barock Fest 2013 - Petrosani Romania  
Arenale Romane 2013 – Metalhead Meeting / Hypocrisy / Lake Of Tears  
Silver Church 2013- Bucharest Romania / Leprous  
Euro Tour 2015 - Greece, Bulgaria, Turkey  
Death DTA Support Act in Bucharest 2016

#### **VIDEO LINKS:**

[No Personality](#) (2002)  
[Inger sau Demon](#) (2004)  
[Invisible Absolute](#) (2005) Live visuals  
[The Devil Inside](#) (2012)  
[Resurrection](#) (2012)  
[Cosmos](#) - tribute/cover (2012)  
[The Dark Days Of Our Lives](#) (2016)  
[The World Does Not Change](#) (2016)

#### **BAND MEMBERS (2017):**

Andy Ionescu: Vocals/Guitar  
Petre Iftimie: Guitar  
Alexei Nichiforof : Bass/Vocals  
Teo Popp: Drums

#### **Official site:**

<http://www.taine.ro/>

#### **Official YouTube Channel:**

<http://www.youtube.com/user/taineofficial>

#### **Community:**

<https://www.facebook.com/taineband>

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