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Haydamaky Returns to Edmonton for a Night of “Kozak Rock”

Haydamaky, Ukraine’s famous Carpathian Ska band and EastBlok Music recording artists, return to Edmonton **July 27, 2010** for a one night concert engagement at **Edmonton Events Centre**. Fusing the sounds of reggae, ska, punk and traditional Ukrainian music – **Haydamaky** have cleared the path for a new wave of Ukrainian music dubbed “Kozak Rock.” Tickets are available at the Ukrainian Bookstore in Edmonton (10215-97th street northwest) or by visiting www.ticketweb.ca (1-888-222-6608).

Hailing from Kyiv, **Haydamaky** have been entertaining European audiences for over a decade. Named after the historic rebellions of the Kozaks and peasants in the 18th century, **Haydamaky** share the same rebellious spirit of their namesakes in their music.

The first Ukrainian band to sign with British recording label EMI, **Haydamaky** released their eponymous debut album in 2001 and have since recorded numerous other critically acclaimed albums. The huge success of *Bohuslav*, released in 2004, expanded the reach of Carpathian Ska through Central and Eastern Europe.

Following 2006’s *Perveziya (Perversion)*, **Haydamaky** signed with EastBlok Music, where they released *Ukraine Calling. Kobzar*, released in 2008, furthered the band’s distinct sound, mixing rap, dub, reggae and ska, with the rich authentic sounds of the bandura. **Haydamaky** have toured throughout Europe and North America headlining many festivals (including the 2009 Toronto Bloor Ukrainian Festival) and are scheduled to perform at the Calgary Folk Festival July 22-25, 2010. Video clips of the band are found throughout their website www.haydamaky.com or on Youtube:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UXWMFspdKZk&feature=related>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p05tDEyJbAk>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TkJXDbJSnU>

Opening for **Haydamaky** is Edmonton’s own **Kubasonics**. The eight piece band takes Ukrainian music down a number of different paths, with original works that focus on Ukrainian Canadian life. Performing on unique folk instruments and combining traditional and contemporary styles to create interesting fusions, the **Kubasonics** recreate the sounds of traditional ensembles from the villages of Ukraine as well as the dance bands of the early 20th century Canadian prairies.

Expect the unexpected as old and new meet in an evening of Carpathian Ska and music to rock the soul, **July 27, 2010** at the **Edmonton Events Centre** (8882 170 Street Northwest #2556) in West Edmonton Mall. **Kubasonics** open at **8pm** followed by **Haydamaky** at **10pm**. Tickets are **\$35** and are available at the Ukrainian Bookstore (10215 97 Street, Edmonton) or by visiting www.ticketweb.ca. For further information contact Nadine Samycia, nadine@bottomlinepro.com or 780-988-8914.