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**Unveiling of Osisko en lumière, the musical firework festival in
Abitibi-Témiscamingue**

Rouyn-Noranda, Tuesday May 12 2009- After all those rumours in speculation, finally we got there, the so much expected unveiling of Osisko en lumière, the musical firework in Abitibi-Témiscamingue programming.

Billing Stars on Desjardins stage

THURSDAY AUGUST 6 – AN UNFORGETTABLE PRE-OFFICIAL OPENING SHOW!

Exclusive this year, Osisko en lumière, the musical firework festival in Abitibi-Témiscamingue invites you on Thursday August 6 to a pre-official opening show!

With 7 millions sold albums across the whole world, **Simple Plan**, a Montreal originating band, honour us with their presence in Rouyn-Noranda after performing in several countries including Japan, France, German and United State. With their popular songs and their three albums, the last one climbing in the top 10 best-sellers in almost every country, it is the place to be on August 6, 2009!

Originating from Trois-Rivières, its **The New Cities** band, allying a contemporary punk and pop, which will have the opportunity to warm-up the audience. Their song « Dead End Countdown » is playing actually on radio broadcasting stations.

FRIDAY August 7th – QUEBEC VARIETIES

Being only 18 years old and already realized 1 album, **Kevin Bazinet** (author, composer, performer), from Mont-Laurier, display an Anglo pop and folk rock show.

No needs to introduce **Daniel Bélanger**, this famous Quebec author, composer! He is coming to us with his last album « Joli chaos », filled-full with his old hits and brand news songs.

Then lets dance with **Legends of Rock**, a show gathering on the stage Rick Hughes, Steve Hill, Angel Forest and more. Classic Rock must will song and danced as they should!

SATURDAY AUGUST 8 – 1, 2, 3 ROCK !

The talented **Cloé Beaudoin** get out of her native Témiscamingue to introduce us her first Anglo album, all the writing being from her. Being 17 years old, her voice leads the public on rock flavoured guitar melodies. .

Join-up **Headpins**, a band that could be proud of four albums GOLD certified, one of them being double-platinum and to have been on tour with Bryan Adams, ZZ Top, Kiss, Whitesnake, Poison and several others. Arriving from Vancouver, they will vibrate rocker with their compositions.

With 24 albums under the belt, the scot **Nazareth** band was created in 1968. It is with the album « Hair of the dog » that they are identified as rock leaders, along with Aerosmith and ACDC. Their album « Greatest Hits » released in 1975 became a best-seller with the song « Love Hurts » which stayed number one for 40 weeks.

SUNDAY AUGUST 9 – AN EXPLOSIVE MIX!

Self-qualifying as the ultimate homage to Styx and being the only authorized homage per the original band, **The Grand Illusion**, gathering 6 talented musicians, will show you the best success of that legendary band. By the way, the singer Steve Forge went through auditions to replace Dennis DeYoung inside Styx.

Proud of his 5 albums, **Garou** stuns in each visited countries, even visiting Albania, Ukraine, Russia, France, and Switzerland among other! He comes back to us with a blues show, respecting a promise given in 2006 to come back in Rouyn-Noranda.

A COLORFULL SKY FOR 3 NIGHTS!

The invited powderman with the duty to flash us originate from Quebec and Ontario. Friday we will attend to Pyrospek (from Jonquière) fireworks while Saturday, this is going to be Garden Display Fireworks (Ontario) turn to flash us. The festival will ends beautifully with the experimented Royal Pyrotechnie firm (Montréal), several time prize laureates.

ADVANTAGEOUS TICKETS AND PASSEPORTS!

A unique opportunity is offered to you to enjoy all those legendary artists, who are not going to come back soon to Rouyn-Noranda! You are invited in all **IGA** of the area **Saturday May 23 9h** to purchase passports. Get a 20\$ rebate on your passport and 10\$ rebate on Simple Plan ticket if you purchase on or before July 17. It is also possible to buy on-line at www.osiskoenlumiere.com. Hurry up; **quantities are limited** at each sales outlets.

Osisko en lumière, the musical fireworks festive in Abitibi-Témiscamingue
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