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METAL FOR KIDS UNITED! All-Star Charity Jam performs DEEP PURPLE's BURN and celebrate its 5th Anniversary with a fundraising campaign in favor of children with cancer at Peter Pan housing facilities in Rome, Italy!

VIDEO URL: <https://youtu.be/IfWn1C4jbw>

METAL FOR KIDS UNITED! All-Star Charity Jam will celebrate its 5th Anniversary with the worldwide release of an all-star video jam tribute to the fathers of Heavy Metal. The final result is an extended version of Deep Purple's classic Burn featuring 25 metal artists from around the world.

Italian benefit format **Metal For Kids United!** will support once again **Peter Pan Association**, a voluntary association **helping children with cancer** and their families since 1994 through free hospitality in Rome during care treatments at **Child Jesus Hospital**.

"Due to sudden spread of the Coronavirus pandemic, we were forced to cancel the 2020 edition of the annual benefit show booked in Rome for April. During the spring lockdown period we have asked old and new friends of Metal For Kids United to jam together from their own place to celebrate our V Anniversary and keep the promise made to the association" **says Fabrizio Troiano, president of the Cultural Association "Metal For Kids United" and organizer of the event.**

The line-up of 25 performers includes thrash metal legends such as bassist **David Ellefson** (Megadeth, Ellefson, Metal Allegiance), guitarist **Scott Ian** (Anthrax, SOD), along with classic-power metal artists from around the world like German screamer **Ralf Scheepers** (Primal Fear, ex Gamma Ray), Bay Area singer **Brian O'Connor** (ex Vicious Rumors), Brazilian guitarist/singer **Rafael Bittencourt** (Angra), Japanese guitar virtuoso **Syu** (Galneryus), drummer **Thomen Stauch** (ex Blind Guardian, Mentalist) and guitarist **Jens Ludwig** (Edguy) from Germany as well as Italian keyboards player **Mistheria** (Vivaldi Metal Project, Bruce Dickinson).

But the list includes also other well-known and internationally established Italian Heavy Metal/Rock musicians from bands like **Doro, Extrema, Vision Divine, Labyrinth** to name a few, reunited with the aim of raising awareness of children cancer and raising funds for voluntary associations which are striving to carry out their daily mission in such hard times.

By releasing the all-star video, the Cultural Association "Metal For Kids United" will make an **initial donation of EUR 2.000 (approx. USD 2,300) in favor of Peter Pan Association** to kick off and boost the fund raising campaign available on **GoFundMe platform**: gofundme.com/metal-for-kids-united-against-kids-cancer.

Rock and Metal lovers will have the chance to enjoy this Deep Purple's classic in a new and contemporary rendition for free and will be invited to support the initiative with donations for the cause or by purchasing the merchandise.

Over EUR 12,000 have been donated in the 4 past editions to non-profit organizations working in Italy to help children.

Fabrizio Troiano further says: *"We are very proud of the achievements over the years and we hope, despite the impossibility of making a physical event as in our tradition, we can once again share fun together, raise funds for the kids in need and give the chance to the people from all over the world to experience the Metal For Kids United! spirit of solidarity. Don't forget to play it loud, make metal horns, headbang and share the video!"*

BURN 2K20 - extended version | LINE-UP

VOCALS

Brian O'Connor | ex Vicious Rumors, Deadlands, Consfearacy

Roberto Tiranti | Labyrinth, Wonderworld, Ken Hensley Live Fire

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Rafael Bittencourt | Angra
Ralf Scheepers | Primal Fear, ex Gamma Ray
Morby | Domine
Tiziano Spigno | Extrema, Kings Of Broadway
Fabio Dessi | Arthemis, Hollow Haze
Gianluca Mastrangelo | De La Muerte

GUITARS

Scott Ian | Anthrax, SOD
Luigi Schiavone | ex Enrico Ruggeri band, solo artist
Rafael Bittencourt | Angra
Syu | Galneryus
Jens Ludwig | Edguy
Tommy Massara | Extrema
Andy Martongelli | Ellefsen, Altitudes & Attitude, Arthemis
Luca Princiotta | DORO
Olaf Thorsen | Labyrinth, Vision Divine
Aldo Lonobile | Secret Sphere, Arkon Angel, Kings Of Broadway
Luca Venturelli | Trick Or Treat
Leonardo Porcheddu | Vivaldi Metal Project
Fabrizio "Faber Troy" Troiano | Timestorm

BASS

David Ellefsen | Megadeth, Ellefsen, Altitudes & Attitude, Metal Allegiance

KEYBOARDS

Alessio Lucatti | Vision Divine, Deathless Legacy
Mistheria | Vivaldi Metal Project, Bruce Dickinson, Rob Rock
Paolo Campitelli | Kaledon, ex Timestorm, ScreaMachine

DRUMS

Thomas "Thomen" Stauch | ex Blind Guardian, Mentalist, Dawn Of Amber, ex Serious Black

BURN 2K20 - extended version | Production credits

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ABOUT "METAL FOR KIDS. UNITED! ALL-STAR CHARITY JAM"

Metal For Kids. United! All-Star Charity Jam is a musical format created in 2016 by Fabrizio Troiano with the aim of supporting and helping children in any state of need, through solidarity initiatives in which artists of the national and international Heavy Metal scene are called to arms.

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Initially conceived as a production of charity events according to the format of the All-Star Jam Session, Metal For Kids United! Has later developed as a real "independent" brand that carries out the commitment towards needy children also through various activities of awareness raising, communication and promotion, always using Heavy Metal as a healthy bearer of positive messages and solidarity.

Many famous artists have participated in Metal For Kids United! through the years such as: **Russell Allen** (Symphony X, Trans-Siberian Orchestra), **Mark Boals** (ex Malmsteen, ex Royal Hunt), **Edu Falaschi** (ex Angra, Almah), **Fabio Lione** (Angra, Turilli Lione Rhapsody, ex Vision Divine), **Kobi Farhi** (Orphaned Land), **Roy Z** (Bruce Dickinson, Halford), **Gus G.** (ex Ozzy Osbourne, Firewind), **Roland Grapow** (ex Helloween, Masterplan), **John Macaluso** (ex Malmsteen, ex Ark), **Alessandro Conti** (Trick Or Treat, Turilli's Rhapsody, Twilight Force), **Andrea Cantarelli** (Labyrinth, A Perfect Day), **Titta Tani** (ex DGM, ex Goblin), **Terence Holler** (Eldritch), as well as over 100 musicians from the local and international metal scene.

ABOUT "ASSOCIAZIONE PETER PAN"

*"The Great House of Peter Pan" is a free hospitality center that provides **children with cancer**, under treatment at the Child Jesus pediatric hospital, **with 32 housing units with facilities**, as well as large common areas that encourage socialization among families. About 200 volunteers ensure that the structures operate 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The most important project for the Association is to continue to support the maintaining costs of the Houses.*

To know more: <https://www.peterpanonlus.it>

ABOUT "GOFUNDME" CAMPAIGN

*Next to the Metal For Kids United! All-Star Charity Jam, a digital benefit campaign through the global **GoFundMe platform has been set up to collect additional donations**. This is another way to give the community of music lovers and philanthropists an opportunity to be an active part in this great solidarity event, especially those who cannot attend the show.*

The campaign aims to reach EUR 15,000 within June 2021.

Donations can be done at gofundme.com/metal-for-kids-united-against-kids-cancer.

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