### **SOLSTAFIR and VESEN at the INFERNO FESTIVAL 2012!**

The mind blowing Icelandic Vikings Solstafir and Norways dirty black thrash heroes VESEN is ready for this years black easter celebration!

Together with BORKANAGAR, ARCTURUS, TSJUDER, AGALLOCH, ANAAL NATHRAKH, ABSU, WITCHERY, CHURCH OF MISERY and EINHERJER the 2012 edition of the INFERNO METAL FESTIVAL will be even darker and more extreme than ever!

**THE INFERNO METAL FESTIVAL** has become a true black Easter tradition for metal fans, bands and music industry from all over the world with nearly 50 concerts every year since the start back in 2001. The festival offers exclusive concerts in unique surroundings with some of the best extreme metal bands and experimental artists in the world, from the new and underground to the legendary giants. At INFERNO you meet up with fellow metalheads for four days of head banging, party, black-metal sightseeing and expos, horror films, art exhibitions and all the unholy treats your dark heart desires.

THE INFERNO METAL FESTIVAL invites you all to the annual black Easter gathering of metal, gore and extreme in Oslo, Norway from April 4. -7.april 2012. - Four days and a hell of a lot of bands!

## **SOLSTAFIR:**

Sólstafir is an Icelandic metal band which formed in 1995 and currently has four full length releases. The band's unique style has made it hard to categorize Sólstafir into a specific genre or group of genres. Sólstafir were formed by 3 friends, Aðalbjörn Tryggvason, Halldór Einarsson and Guðmundur Óli Pálmason in January 1995. Sosltafir got exceptionally good reviews for their album Köld, and descriptions like

"Imagine if Nachtmystium, Alice In Chains, and Neurosis got hammered while listening to Entombed's DCLXVI - To Ride, Shoot Straight, and Speak The Truth - it would sound something like this" and "Sigur Rós goes metal!" were becoming really common. The band has played at many of Europe's biggest festivals and their latest album "Svartir Sandar" was released October 14<sup>th</sup> this fall. Watch out for this anti-christian, Icelandic, heathen bastards when they hit the INFERNO stage 2012!

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## **VESEN:**

Formed in 1998/99 in Skogbygda, Norway, with the intent to pour out some ugly, black thrash. A couple of demos and lineup-changes down the line, Vesen released their first full-length, the self-financed UGLY, in 2005. Their sophomore album came in 2009, DESPERATE MINDLESS AGGRESSION, and GOAT CARCASS RISING followed in 2011. Get ready for black thrash straight from the Norwegian underground at this years INFERNO! <a href="http://www.myspace.com/uglyvesen">http://www.myspace.com/uglyvesen</a>

#### **INFERNO METAL FESTIVAL 2011**

Inferno is an international extreme metal festival which is arranged during the Easter, 4.-7.april in Oslo, Norway. 45 concerts are being held at the venues Rockefeller og John Dee with club concerts in the following venues Blå, Rock In, Unholy, Victoria and Revolver.

#### **TICKETS:**

Tickets are sold at Billettservice/<u>www.billettservice.no</u> Phone: + 47 815 33 133 Club night 35€, Day pass 70€, Festival pass 180€

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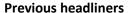
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#### **Quick Facts - Inferno Metal Festival**

Norways largest Metal festival ; Held every year during Easter 4 days – 50 bands

Two main stages: Rockefeller and John Dee Clubs: Rock In, Unholy, Blå, Victoria and Revolver 1500 tickets sold every day.





Emperor, Dimmu Borgir, Mayhem, Immortal, Gorgoroth, Satyricon, Destruction, Morbid Angel, Dissection, Candelmass, Opeth, Cathedral, Paradise Lost, Bolt Thrower, Sodom, Enslaved, Paradise Lost, Suffocation, and Children of Bodom.

#### Strong international appeal

In 2010 over 30 % of our audience came from abroad.In addition to metal fans from all over Europe, and from more distant countries as the US, Argentina, Japan, India and Australia use their Easter holiday to visit Inferno.



### Strong international media coverage

Usually around 150 accredited media from all over the world; Metal Hammer (Germany, Spain & UK), Terrorizer, Rock Hard and Sweden Rock.



In the daytime we have the Inferno Music Conference with; panels, keynote speakers, speed meeting sessions etc.



#### **Activities during Inferno**

- Own festival hotel- exclusively for Inferno, filled with activities for both audience and media.
- Black Metal Bus Sightseeings.
- Stands, INFERNO film, art exhibition, tattoo etc.



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