IMMORTAL and AURA NOIR at INFERNO 2011

We are happy to announce that IMMORTAL and AURA NOIR will play the INFERNO FESTIVAL 2011. The legendary sons of northern darkness, IMMORTAL and the black thrash band AURA NOIR is the first bands on the bill for the INFERNO FESTIVAL 2011 and ticket sales starts Monday august 2nd.

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 20 -23, 2011. - Four days and a hell of a lot of bands!

IMMORTAL – All Shall Fall!

Immortal has been one of the most important black metal bands in the world, since the release of their first demo "The Northern Upins Death" in 1990. The band was founded by Abbath Doom Occulta and Demonaz Doom Occulta, and together with different drummers, this core line-up released the first three legendary albums, "Diabolical Fullmoon Mysticism" (1992), "Pure Holocaust" (1993) and "Battles In The North" (1995).

Drummer Horgh joined the band in 1996, turning out to be the perfect match for the band, and the band released the "Blizzard Beasts" album (1997). However, fate struck as Demonaz was diagnosed with tendonitis and could no longer play guitar at the speed required for Immortal, but he still continued to work with the lyrics. Thus, Abbath changed from bass to guitars, and the band continued with several bass players over the years, releasing albums like "At The Heart Of Winter" (1999), "Damned In Black" (2000) and "Sons Of Northern Darkness" (2002).

The band was put on ice in 2003, but returned to the stage in 2007, playing the first concert of the "7 Dates Of Blashyrkh" comeback tour at the INFERNO FESTIVAL. The tour was followed by headlining appearances at several major European festivals, sold out shows in the US and a tour of Australia and New Zealand. Immortal released a new album, "All Shall Fall" in the autumn of 2009, and when they return to the INFERNO stage they will make you bang your heads off!

AURA NOIR – The ugliest band in the world!

Aura Noir started out as a solo-project of Aggressor in 1995, recorded a couple of demos with the help of Apollyon, that later join the band full-time. They were perhaps little more than just the exorcism Aggressor needed for a certain type of demons before he could let inspiration of an even more devilish kind roam free, transforming Aura Noir into the penultimate Black Thrash Metal band.

The Band released their fourth full-length 'Hades Rise' in 2008, and are working on their next album as we speak. It bears all the trademarks of classic Aura Noir - whipping drums, razorsharp jet-black riffs and the frightening vocal delivery of Apollyon. Completing the infernal trio is Blasphemer of Mayhem fame.

Today the band's concert line-up is Apollyon (bass and vocals), Blasphemer (guitars) and Jehmod (drums), and they will give you a brutal lesson of old school when they hit the stage at INFERNO 2011!

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€ <u>www.infernofestival.net</u>

For more information, interviews, photos, give-aways, prizes etc., please contact:

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INFERNO METAL FESTIVAL 2011

Inferno is an international extreme metal festival which is arranged during the Easter, 31. March – 3. April in Oslo, Norway. 45 concerts are being held at the venues Rockefeller og John Dee with club concerts in the following venues Blå, Garage, Rock In, Victoria and Revolver.









Quick Facts - Inferno Metal Festival

www.infernofestival.net

Held every year during Easter

4 days – 45 bands Two main stages: Rockefeller and John Dee Clubs: Garage, Rock In, Blå, Victoria and Revolver 1500 tickets sold every day.

Previous headliners

Emperor, Dimmu Borgir, Mayhem, Immortal, Gorgoroth, Satyricon, Destruction, Morbid Angel, Dissection, Candelmass, Opeth, Cathedral, Paradise Lost, 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 & UK), Terrorizer, Rock Hard, Sweden Rock and MTV – Headbangers Ball.

Strong international music business attendance

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 Sightings.
- Exclusive concert at The Viking Ship Museum.
- Stands, INFERNO film, art exhibition, tattoo etc.

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