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MetalGate Records 2014 – introducing The Amazing Ascendancy!

As you may have noticed, on **January 10, 2014**, the **progressive power metal band Ascendancy** from Vsetín **signed a deal with MetalGate Records** for the release of their **second full-length album**, which warrants a **closer look**.

Contrary to the debut “Out of Knowhere” which took us into the interstellar void, its successor shall bring us **straight back to Earth**. No doubt that one can find the current state of our civilization infuriating. Some to a lesser degree, others to a greater one, and some even to such a degree that he arrives at a conclusion that the only way to improve things is a total restart of mankind. It also goes without saying that not everyone will subscribe to such a vision, and that there will be those who will actively oppose its actualization with every ounce of their strength.

Such may be a brief summation of the **main thematic contours** of said new album with the **working title “The Amazing Ascendancy”**, which will bring on the space of **13 songs** an **archetypal narrative of a clash between good and evil in Marvel-like vein**, thus entailing **superheroes** and **supervillains** – in this case, the insane **Count Illuminatus**, whose apocalyptic designs are contested by a **group of heroes called The Amazing Ascendancy** (hence the album working title), protectors of a world that perhaps does not even care about being saved.

The story itself is to be divided into **two parts**, with the first exploring what brought the Count’s persona into being, and the second focusing on the confrontation between the Count and our heroes.

The **visual side** of the album then draws inspiration from **classic Hollywood sci-fi films of 1950s and 60s**, so be ready for **one hell of a retro**.

Such a new concept of course did not emerge over night. Although the first ideas came about shortly after the release of “Out of Knowhere”, it was only last year that the whole matter got a clear framework so that the execution could begin. Thus, **the band is currently in the Vsetín-based MetalGate Studio composing and recording the new material**. Check out the **studio snapshots** on the **FB profiles of MetalGate and Ascendancy**, as well as expect **videoreports from recording sessions in near future**.

The album itself is then to come out in **Spring 2014**, and maybe The Amazing Ascendancy will come with it, live!

For more news, stay tuned to MetalGate and Ascendancy official websites.

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