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## The first Metalworkers present Necrostory

**Dělníci kovu (Metalworkers).** Such is the title of the new metal-related book series that is being prepared by the Czech novelist Václav Votruba in conjunction with the Prague-based MetalGate Records. Conceived as a sequel to the **Kniha kovu (Book of Metal)** trilogy that came out between 2016 and 2018 to great readership interest, the first volume of **Dělníci kovu** is devoted to one of the foremost personas of the local metal scene – Tom Necrocock. The planned release date is mid-June.

*“Now, I am shifting my focus from the history of Czech metal as such to its notable individuals. And since me and MetalGate are setting it up as whole series, I believe that it is once again a unique project on the scene, which the fans will get a kick out of,”* says the author Václav Votruba.

To reiterate, the aforementioned first installment of the series will be published already in couple of weeks time, offering its readers an authorized biography of Tom Necrocock.

*“Necrocock was my first choice. He is a very distinct and inspirational persona, as well as a great professional filled with drive. I have been following him for many years already, and I do consider some of his albums, be it +Klinik+, Praktiky pohřebních ústavů or Lesní hudba, to be the absolute classics. As a fan myself, I am looking forward to having this book in my collection,”* smiles Václav and adds that included in the book will be a motherload of photos.

Václav Votruba is a novelist from České Budějovice, who has so far written 11 books. The **Kniha kovu** trilogy is his most successful project to date. The first and third part received the Czech Břitva award in the Book of the year category, with the second part gaining the second place therein as well. Thanks to reprints, the whole trilogy is still available, for example in MetalGate e-shop at [www.metalgate-eshop.cz](http://www.metalgate-eshop.cz).

In the meantime, MetalGate published other book titles, with the latest one being the Czech translation of the Masterpieces 2018 artbook, which sums up the best metal artwork for 2018.