

METALGATE massacre II

Balancing MetalGate Massacre vol.II

On May 14th 2011, the Prague **Matrix club** witnessed the apex of the second installment of metal bands contest MetalGate Massacre. The last battle of the **grand core finale** was fought, with significant fan support, between bands **xXXx** from Prague, **Area Core** from Česká Lípa, **Shadow Area** from Strážnice and **Suffocate With Your Vomit** from Černošice near Prague. In the subsequent voting, **S.W.Y.V.** became the **absolute** winner of MetalGate Massacre vol.II. **The second place** went to **Shadow Area**. **xXXx** took the **third place**, **Area Core** the **fourth**.

The winners gained **valuable prizes** indeed. In mid-July, **S.W.Y.V.** will **embark to Kocis studio in Tábor** to **record their new album**, which will then be **released under MetalGate Records**. The next item in line is production of **videoclip by Leviathan**. The **barrel full of beer** given by Matrix club was already successfully emptied. Further prizes from **Red Raven** and **Music City** are yet to be claimed.

Shadow Area performed on Saturday, June 11th 2011, at **MetalGate Czech Death Fest**, **gaining not only fee, but more importantly acclaim from the festival visitors**. The band is also preparing a graphic design for the **manufacturing of 30 t-shirts by IFA Production**.

xXXx were awarded with **free usage of rehearsal-rooms in Matrix** as well as with **vouchers for Red Raven and Music City goods**. **Area Core** gained **drinkable prizes from Matrix** and **season-pass to MetalGate events**.

Compared to its initial installment, the second act of MetalGate Massacre met with **significantly increased reception from fans**. During the seven live rounds, the **total of 2150 spectators** visited the contest. An **incredible number of 550 fans** came to the **finale itself!** **Shadow Area** and **Area Core** even **arranged buses for their fans**. The **official website** of MetalGate Massacre **had over 10 000 unique visits** throughout the contest.

We, the organizers, are **delighted by such an interest** and **we would like to thank everyone** who took part in this year's MetalGate Massacre, no matter the role played. Furthermore, we hope and believe that you will keep it up, because **MetalGate Massacre continues!**

The preparations of the third installment have been launched. **The official registration will commence 15.9.2011 at the contest website and will run throughout October till November 20th**. The selection of bands for the basic rounds will then be announced in December. **The actual kick-off shall consequently happen in January 2012.**

Keep an eye on www.metalgate.cz