

# METALGATE massacre

## MetalGate Massacre vol.3 – midpoint of the semifinals

**Saturday, March 17**, was marked by the **first semifinal round** of the third installment of metal bands contest **MetalGate Massacre**, happening in Prague based **Matrix club**. The advancement into the final battle was this time contested by thrash-death band **Eternity** from Ostrava, appearing for the first time as the contest Wild Card, also by death-acid act **Keep On Rotting** from Litoměřice, trash metalheads **Hellocaustor** from Žatec and by death metal bands **Neurotic Machinery** from Western Bohemia.

**Over 200 fans**, including a tour party from Litoměřice, came to **support** the contestants. The whole commotion was once again **streamed live** on the official contest website. And what was the outcome?

According to contest rules, **two bands advance** into the final from each semifinal. **The first one** is chosen by **fans on site**, who in the first semifinal decided thus.

- **1<sup>st</sup> place – Keep On Rotting (84 votes)**
- **2<sup>nd</sup> place – Hellocaustor (54 votes)**
- **3<sup>rd</sup> place – Neurotic Machinery (14 votes)**
- **4<sup>th</sup> place – Eternity (6 votes)**

**The second one** is chosen by **expert committee** on site, which for the first semifinal was composed of **Filip Robovski**, bass guitarist of Kryptor, **Damian**, owner of Underground & Gothic shop Nosferatu, **Standa Rubáš**, host of Hard n' Heavy show on Radio Beat, **Tomáš Kotrba**, bass guitarist of F.O.B. and **Alena Jansenová**, vocalist of Nocturnal Pestilence and organizer of Czech Metal Support project. These members decided thus.

- **1<sup>st</sup> place – Hellocaustor (6 votes)**
- **2<sup>nd</sup> place – Keep On Rotting (5 votes)**
- **3<sup>rd</sup> place – Neurotic Machinery (4 votes)**
- **4<sup>th</sup> place – Eternity (0 votes)**

**Keep On Rotting** and **Hellocaustor** thus became the **first two finalists**. The remaining ones will be picked on the **second semifinal**, which will take place **Saturday, March 31**, again in **Matrix club**. Competing bands are **GIBON'S**, **SOLAR SYSTEM**, **REVENGE DIVISION** and **APOSEPSIS**.

The choice is again to fans as well as to the committee, which will this time include the vocalist of the iconic band Root, **Jiří “Big Boss” Valter**.

**We begin at 20:00. Doors at 19:00. Free entrance as always!** For those that cannot attend, online live stream on the contest website will again be available.

**Come to support your favorites! We are looking forward to see you there!**

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