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## **It's official: Metallica is coming to Québec for the FEQ 50th anniversary**

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**Québec City, February 13, 2017** - Québec City's most popular rock band will electrify the Bell Stage on the Plains of Abraham on Friday, July 14 as Metallica rolls the WorldWired Tour into town. California's legendary rock band is slated to headline the closing weekend of festivities marking the 50th anniversary of the Festival d'été de Québec.

"We wanted to give our fans the chance to relive one of the most defining moments in FEQ history," remarked general manager Daniel Gélinas. "Who could ever forget the 2011 show? Québec was literally plugged into Metallica that night. The current that runs between the band and its Québec fans is so intense that we just had to have them back for this year's celebrations."

Started in 1981 with James Hetfield, Lars Ulrich, Kirk Hammett and Robert Trujillo, today Metallica is one of the most influential and best-known bands in rock history. With over 110 million albums sold worldwide and having performed on every continent, Metallica has racked up the honours, with numerous Platinum albums and prestigious awards to its name, including nine Grammy Awards, two American Music Awards and MTV Video Music Awards. Metallica was named to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum in 2009.

This past November, Metallica released their newest album *Hardwired... To Self-Destruct*, giving the band their sixth number one album on the Billboard Top 200.

The announcement of these superstars gives fans a taste of what to expect from the exciting program lined up for 50th edition of the Festival. Back in 2011, over 100,000 spectators rushed to Metallica's first concert at the FEQ. Two years earlier, singer James Hetfield had tapped the Festival d'été de Québec as being high on the list of events the band wanted to play. The very special history shared by these rock star legends, the Festival and the City of Québec is several years strong.

### **METALLICA – WORLDWIRED TOUR**

May 10 – Baltimore, MD – M&T Bank Stadium\*^  
May 12 – Philadelphia, PA – Lincoln Financial Field\*^  
May 14 – East Rutherford, NJ – MetLife Stadium\*^  
May 17 – Uniondale, NY - New Coliseum^  
May 19 – Boston, MA – Gillette Stadium ^  
May 21 – Columbus, OH - Rock On The Range Festival (SOLD OUT)  
June 4 – St. Louis, MO – Busch Stadium^  
June 7 – Denver, CO – Sports Authority Field\*^  
June 11 – Houston, TX – NRG Stadium\*^  
June 14 – San Antonio, TX – Alamodome\*  
June 16 – Dallas, TX – AT&T Stadium\*  
June 18 – Chicago, IL - Soldier Field\*  
July 5 – Orlando, FL – Camping World Stadium\*^  
July 7 – Miami, FL – Hard Rock Stadium\*^  
July 9 – Atlanta, GA – SunTrust Park\*^  
July 12 – Detroit, MI – Comerica Park\*^  
July 14 – Quebec City, QC– Festival D'Ete  
July 16 – Toronto, ON – Rogers Centre\*^  
July 19 – Montreal, QB – Parc Jean-Drapeau\*^  
July 29 – Los Angeles, CA – Rose Bowl\*+  
August 4 – Phoenix, AZ - University of Phoenix Stadium\*+  
August 6 – San Diego, CA – Petco Park\*+  
August 9 – Seattle, WA – CenturyLink Field\*+  
August 14 – Vancouver, BC – BC Place\*+  
August 16 – Edmonton, AB - Commonwealth Stadium\*+

\*With Avenged Sevenfold

^With Volbeat

+With Gojira

For more information go to [infofestival.com](http://infofestival.com) or [metallica.com](http://metallica.com)

## **ON YOUR AGENDA**

**March 7** - Exclusive Desjardins Advanced Sale, 12 Noon

**March 8** - Full program release, 12 Noon

**March 9** - Passes go on sale, 12 Noon

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**The 50<sup>th</sup> edition of the Festival d'été de Québec will take place from July 6 to 16, 2017.**

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