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PRESS RELEASE

**Caffe Festival - EUROPAfest**  
**Extraordinary jazz, blues and pop concerts at Hard Rock Cafe**

If your suit has become too tight and you're suffocating in the office, if you're trying to get away from all the traffic and the noise, or if you just want to escape from the daily routine, jmEvents invites you between the **7th and the 12th of May** to Caffe Festival – EUROPAfest. Bring your friends and relax by listening to jazz, blues and pop notes at **Hard Rock Cafe**.

Caffe Festival has a special place in the EUROPAfest festival, as it is a concept designed to bring the audience closer to good music, as well as enlarge the jazz, blues and pop consumer sphere by replacing the rigour of traditional music halls with a relaxed venue and a friendly atmosphere.

Over a period of 6 evenings, Hard Rock Cafe will host extraordinary live performances, open stage improvisations and eclectic spring moments. Well-established names from the European music scene, as well as from the new jazz generation, will perform concerts and jazz sessions, in the middle of the audience, in this unconventional space.

Caffe Festival will start on the 7th of May through an extraordinary performance, courtesy of Stelzhamma, from Austria. An acoustic delight, meant to tickle the ears, spirits and even the narrowest of tastes. An unusual combination of jazz and traditional Austrian music, rounded from place to place with funky notes. The following days will bring exceptional performances from the following bands: **Parafusions / Italy, Hungary, SaxEst & Siim Aimla / Estonia, Orchestra da Tre Soldi / Italy, Milo Suchomel Quartet / Slovakia, QL / Romania, as well as names from the new jazz generation.**

The last evening brings one of the most remarkable moments in the festival: no rehearsals, no musical scores, just pure inspiration. The musicians take part in an impressive **jam session**, a unique encounter, through which music can bring people together, beyond any cultural barriers.

The Caffe Festival brand is a mix of events, designed to bring the musicians closer to the audience, in an unconventional space of interaction and improvisation. The concerts, that last until late at night, the charm of a space in which music meets small pleasures such as a glass of wine or a conversation with the musicians, will ensure hours of pampering to all those who have chosen this escape from the conventional.

Taste the flavour of jazz, blues and pop rhythms at Hard Rock Cafe.

Only at Caffe Festival – EUROPAfest can you discover the powerful taste of good music!

EUROPAfest is the only European festival which reunites in a single event blues, jazz, pop and classic. Under the slogan "**The Festival offers! The choice is YOURS!**" it offers a full agenda:

- Europe Day Concert
- Jazz, blues and pop concerts performed by well-known bands from Europe and USA
- Bucharest International Jazz Competition
- Caffe Festival
- Jeunesses International Music Competition – piano
- EUROPAfest Gala

## **Caffe Festival 2010 Agenda**

### **Hard Rock Café / 20:30**

#### **7 May - Jazz Concert**

**Jazz comes down from the Alps. On funk rhythms**

STELZHAMMA / Austria

Guest: DORY BAVARSKY TRIO / USA

#### **8 May - Blues Concert**

**Blues and a joy for living**

PARAFUSIONS / Italy, Hungary

Guest: NEW JAZZ GENERATION / Europe and the USA

#### **9 May - Jazz, Fado, Tango Concert**

**A music delight...**

ORCHESTRA DA TRE SOLDI / Italy

Guest: NEW JAZZ GENERATION / Europe and the USA

#### **10 May - Jazz Concert**

**Jazz rhythm and classic virtuosity**

SAXEST & SIIM AIMLA / Estonia

Guest: NEW JAZZ GENERATION / Europe and the USA

#### **11 May – Jazz, Pop, Funk Concert**

**Pop-funk, made in Romania**

QL / Romania

**Strong jazz essences**

MILO SUCHOMEL QUARTET / Slovakia

Guest: NEW JAZZ GENERATION / Europe and the USA

#### **12 May – Jam Session**

**No rehearsals, no scores. Pure inspiration**

JAM SESSION / Austria, Canada, Switzerland, Finland, France, Germany, India, Israel, Italy, Japan, Great Britain, Holland, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Scotland, Spain, USA, Tunisia, Turkey

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Possible changes in the agenda will be announced on the organisers' website:

[www.EUROPafest.ro](http://www.EUROPafest.ro)

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