

A surprise gig for web audience lets fans say goodbye to drummer Michael

Stratovarius plays an interactive online show at LiveMusicStage.com

Staying at home can be a real choice if you want to experience live music. Stratovarius, the Finnish power metal wonder, is next up playing for a global audience at an interactive online gig on 20th November. It is also a chance for the fans to say 'farewell' to drummer Jörg Michael, who is leaving the band soon.

LiveMusicStage.com lets people become part of live music events on the web. The living room is the stage, with your TV or laptop showing a global online crowd and a high-quality live stream of the show. You can chat and make friends, applaud, swing a lighter, vote for songs to be played and more. The band members see all that live and talk back to the audience between songs.

The next band to perform for their global fan base is Stratovarius, the Finnish power metal wonder. They are playing at a unique studio setting. The band's long-time drummer, Jörg Michael, is soon leaving the group.

– "It feels great to have a chance to say goodbye to all the Finns, friends and fans I have met over the past 15 years. These last shows will be very special to me, as I never forget the support we, and especially I, got through the years. Having the opportunity to broadcast live to all the fans around the world will be an extra motivation for the band. I can promise a very special set list which we have never played before. Watch out and check it", says Michael.

Fans and bands together

The leading idea behind LiveMusicStage.com is to let everybody with broadband access to take part in real live shows.

– "In the 24/7 on-demand era, it is exciting to pause for an hour and participate in something together as a community. One advantage to regular shows is that you can actually choose where you take part," depicts Antti Eronen, CEO of LiveMusicStage.com. On top of music, there's an interview with the band. The audience can also chat with drummer Jörg Michael after the show.

Stratovarius plays at LiveMusicStage.com on Sunday 20th November. Tickets cost 10€. Check your local time for the event and a demo page (goo.gl/ZE1tW) at the site.

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