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New Year brings a new Arts & Music festival to York Region!

Newmarket jazz+ Festival

Riverwalk Commons – August 2, 3, 4, 2013

Producers Sher St. Kitts and husband George are pleased to announce the birth of a new festival in York Region: the **Newmarket jazz+ Festival** featuring local artists and musicians in the heart of Newmarket over the 2013 August civic long weekend.

Newmarket jazz+ Festival will be overseen by non-profit corporation – Arts Music Festivals York Region (“AM-FYR”) and managed by St. Kitts Music Inc. We will work with members of the Newmarket BIA, Downtown Businesses, Creative Community, community organizations, Town staff and Council members to bring it successfully into the community.

Newmarket is a wonderful place to start a new festival in York Region! Newmarket’s long-standing Cultural Master Plan acknowledges the importance of local events featuring music, arts and culture. Newmarket celebrates the arts, culture and local talents:

“...recognizing culture as an important resource in building vibrant, resilient, and sustainable communities...and the numerous benefits of a vibrant community...the Town is dedicated to preserving, investing and expanding its cultural heritage.”

Watch for launch of new “**AM-FYR**” website: www.artsmusicfestivals.com (French: “**AM-FRY**” – Arts Music Festivals de la Région de York). This site will feature festival up-dates, visual artists and musical line-up, map, volunteer, vendor and contact information and applications.

Festival supporters, friends, sponsors and volunteers required and welcome!

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