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BLOOR WEST VILLAGE TORONTO UKRAINIAN FESTIVAL ANNOUNCES MANDRY Band as HEADLINER from UKRAINE at 15th Annual Festival

(Toronto) The annual Bloor West Village Toronto Ukrainian Festival will be held **Friday, September 16 and will run through Sunday, September 18, 2011**. Located on Bloor Street West between Runnymede and Jane TTC stations, this event attracted 514,000 people in 2010 who were eager to experience a new culture, get in touch with their roots or just be part of one of the city's best annual street events.

With its goal of being bigger and better every year, the 2011 festival will be especially grand, as it celebrates the **120th anniversary of Ukrainian settlement in Canada** as well as its **own 15th anniversary**.

The Festival is pleased to announce that once again through the generous **sponsorship of UKRAINIAN CREDIT UNION** this year's headline performer from Ukraine will be **MANDRY** (www.mandrymusic.com). Mandry captivates a diverse audience of all age groups with their unique blend of traditional Ukrainian folk music with modern rhythms, elements of city romance and French ballads with a dash of reggae, blues and rock. Mandry, founded in 1997, is spearheaded by well known singer/song writer Serhiy Fomenko and includes Leonid Bieley, Serhiy Chehodayev, Andriy Zanko and Salman Salmanov Mamed-Ohly. They have performed at Festivals across Europe and most notably performed in 2004 during Ukraine's Orange Revolution in Independence Square. **Mandry will perform on Saturday September 17th at 9:00pm on the mainstage. Additional sponsorship for the group is provided by Four Points Sheraton Hotel.**

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