Wicked Truth plays flash concert at Symposium

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Wicked Truth frontman Matthew Bunt will do almost anything to capture the attention of an audience.

Climbing on nearby structures, running around a space and staring deeply into the eyes of his onlookers is not off the table at any of the band's performances.

Wicked Truth consists of Bunt as frontman, Wayne Unruh on bass, Jeff Kralka on guitar and Anthony Nalli on drums.

The rock band has dubbed itself the GTA's hardest-working band and they certainly aim to live up to that title, working hard to gain the affection of any person in their general performance vicinity - which is precisely the idea behind the band's

The tour, which began at the end of May, sees Wicked Truth popping up at random locations around Ontario, playing 20-minute concerts then taking off - providing that angry bylaw officers don't give them the boot before then, which has happened before, Bunt said.

"We are musical pirates, after all, invading towns across Ontario," he added. And while the band has had trouble finding spaces to play in in Georgetown, Bunt says there's no harm in showing up places unexpectedly and playing regardless.

'We're a busy band but there's still rooms we want to play in. We want to be southern Ontario's busiest band," he add-

The rock band's latest flash concert was successfully played in its entirety at Symposium Cafe Restaurant & Lounge in Georgetown on July 12, with Bunt running around the parking lot, pirate flag waving, making sure no person passed by without at least craning their neck to see what was going on.

"It's all about the energy," he said. "I don't call myself a singer, I'm an entertainer and that's what I do."

Bunt says the band chooses covers that stray a little from the classic rock songs that most audiences know well. Their lat-



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est set list included Little Bones by The Tragically Hip, Panama by Van Halen, Helter Skelter by The Beatles and If You Want Blood (You Got It) by AC/DC.

'This whole flash tour, it started as a 'let's get some gigs and let's get some rooms,' but it's evolved to 'let's build a fan base-let's get our music out there to people when they're least expecting it and let's get people's attention," Bunt said. "If it can get us a few more likes, a few more followers, a few more people out to our shows, it's great."

Wicked Truth has performed flash concerts in Kitchener-Waterloo, Cambridge, Erin, Acton and Brampton. Bunt says the band plans to hit Hamilton, Niagara, Ajax, Newmarket and Etobicoke over the remainder of the summer.

"I want people to enjoy the concerts and I want to leave an impression. I don't want $people \ to \ go \ home \ and \ forget. \ I \ want \ people$ to be talking about the show they saw to their friends the next day," Bunt said.

"I just want people to remember."

For more information on Wicked Truth, visit https://www.facebook.com/wickedtruthband/. Wicked Truth will be playing at the Orangeville Ribfest at noon on July 21, then at The Black Wolf Smokehouse in Orangeville that same evening.



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