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IRIE
Music Festival

****PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT****

TD IRIE Music Festival:

IRIE MOVIES UNDER THE STARS
Saturday July 30th and Sunday July 31st
Nathan Phillips Square

See some classic music films, free, under the stars at Nathan Phillips Square July 30th and 31st showing at 9:30 p.m.

SATURDAY JULY 30TH 9:30 P.M.

Africa Unite

Directed By Stephanie Black
USA, 92 mins, English

Starring Firoz Hirji Nazisi, Marley Mirene and Portia Phalafala

A singular and masterfully executed film by Stephanie Black that is at once concert tribute, Marley family travelogue, and humanitarian documentary, igniting the screen with the spirit of world-renowned reggae icon BOB MARLEY in its every frame. In commemoration of Bobs 60th birthday, *Africa Unite* is centered on the Marley's first-time-ever family trip to Ethiopia in 2005. Includes rare footage of the legendary reggae icon Bob Marley.

SUNDAY JULY 31ST 9:30 P.M.

Rocksteady: The Roots of Reggae

Directed by Stascha Bader
Canada-Swiss, 98 mins, English

Featuring Hopeton Lewis, Judy Mowatt, Stranger Cole, Marcia Griffiths, Dawn Penn, Lynn Taitt, Ken Boothe, Derrick Morgan, Leroy Sibbles, U-Roy, the Tamlins, Rita Marley.

The documentary film *Rocksteady: The Roots of Reggae* is a musical journey to Jamaica's Golden Age of music, *Rocksteady*. The film

features the music and stories of the legendary singers and musicians of the Rocksteady era. They come together after 40 years to record an album of Rocksteady hits, to perform together again at an All-Stars reunion concert in Kingston, Jamaica, and to tell their story. Screeners are available upon request.

PUBLIC INFORMATION: 905-799-1630

The TD IRIE Music Festival is a free event that celebrates music, dance, art, food and culture, providing an opportunity to promote a greater understanding between diverse cultures and traditions of Toronto – the world's most culturally diverse city.

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