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Therapy? present a Gig For Eric, celebrating the life of North East music industry legend, Eric Cook

11th September 2017 – The Cluny, Newcastle



At **Amazing Record Co**. we are all still reeling from the loss of our label boss, and good friend, Eric Cook, who passed away in April after a battle with cancer.

Eric was more than someone who just worked in the music industry, managed bands, ran a studio or ran record companies. He lived and breathed his passion for music. His infectious laugh could fill a room, and his stories would keep you endlessly entertained. He helped so many and so often that his passing has left a huge void in the industry and especially in the North East.

We can think of no better way of marking the fifth month since his passing than to throw a "bloody loud rock gig", delivered by bands that helped sound track his remarkable career.

'Gig For Eric' will be headlined by Therapy? at Newcastle's Cluny on the 11th September.

Tickets are priced at £15 and are on sale now from: seetickets.com

Therapy? were one of Eric's last signings to his own labels Blast and Demolition Records and he brought them with him to *Amazing Record Co.* too. There was a huge amount of mutual respect between Eric and the band, and it was Andy's suggestion that we show Eric the respect that he deserved in the best and most suitable manner possible... by putting on a fantastic show to celebrate Eric's life as a rocker... for at heart that was what he truly was, a rocker and an inspiration to many.

Support comes from two bands Eric championed at opposite ends of his career – **Tysondog**, a Newcastle heavy metal band formed in 1982, and **Avalanche Party**, whose single we released through the *Amazing Singles Club*, and in whose storming live shows Eric saw huge potential.

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We've got a new Video of the Month up at OurStage.com. "Better" is a song by Aüva, a Boston indie rock band with sweet, dual male/female lead vocals and a spacey, psychedelic edge. The video is a nice introduction to Aüva, focusing on the band members and decorating the song with nice imagery.

Check in with the latest episode of *OurStage* on *Amazing Radio*, our very own chart show, featuring editorially selected tracks from the top of the fan-ranked charts, as well as the overall **Top 5 fan favourites** in Rock, Pop, Urban, Roots, and Electronic music. It's streaming now: amazingradio.com/shows/ourstage



Finally, one of our most prolific *OurStage* members, the Bronx artist and rapper **Yonas**, is in the midst of an ambitious project, wherein he releases a new single (sometimes along with a video) every other Monday of the summer. It's called (what else?) **#SummerMonDaze**, and you can catch up now: blog.ourstage.com/

This month, with contributions from new Amazing Afternoons presenter **Frankie Francis**, we announced the return of our weekly **#Tunesday!** We're always on the hunt for new music, and each Tuesday we will be sharing some of the most exciting and upcoming tracks we've discovered that week.

As always, contributions are welcome! If you have a track you've heard recently which you'd like us to feature on **#Tunesday**, then let us know on our Facebook page, via Twitter, or by posting it at the bottom of one of our previous entries.

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Festivals Festivals



This year we've outdone ourselves with our festival coverage. It all kicked off back in May and we're still going strong. Recently we reported back from **Lollapalooza** is Paris, **Slottsfjell** in Norway, **Rock Werchter** in Belgium and a whole heap of events in the UK like **Citadel**, Lovebox, **Parklife** and **TRNSMT**. Check out all of the reviews over at the *Amazing Radio* website

To coincide with many new records this past month we've been inundated with requests for visits at amazing towers and further afield. Public Service Broadcasting, The Xcerts, Black Honey, Weird Milk, The Amazons, The Horrors, Circa Waves, Honne and Declan McKenna. We also managed to grab Declan for a session in Norway along with Siv Jakobsen and Slotface. By the time you hear from us in August we'll hopefully have recorded Flawes, Rhys Lewis and The Sherlocks in our studios.

After an absolutely banging performance for us at The Great Escape festival we can finally add **FREAK** to our list of guest presenters. **Listen again** to an hour's worth of guitars and chat from the man himself. We're in the final stages of locking down **Ghostpoet** also for a Takeover show and we're venturing into the charity world with a special programme from **Clic Sargent**.

In order to get out there and cover festival season properly, sometimes we have to sacrifice some of them other jobs we do. If you've got a keen eye you will have noticed that we have just added twice as much new music to our core playlist as we had a week off. Over 20 new bands and artists have been added, and we're certain there are some you'll never have heard before. You can check out the current **A**, **B**, **C** and Specialist playlists here.

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Jingly Bells?



Christmas has finally arrived at *Amazing Instore*. Yes, we know it's still August, but now is the time that our crack team of music profilers begin their search for the best in new Christmas music.

We know everyone is sick of the same eight songs that get played around the festive season, which is why we need YOU to come up with some new ones.

Sing about snowflakes, Santa, sprouts or anything you like. Maybe don't sing at all and come up with the perfect instrumental soundtrack to Christmas.

Whatever your Christmas songs are about, upload them to amazingtunes.com.

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#TunesWeLove

Every day we see uploads from artists around the world, and every one of them is listened to by our team of music profilers and producers.

Here's just a few of our favourite #TunesWeLove from July.



Kojey Radical - After Winter



Cornshed Sisters - The Message



Swimming Tapes - What's On Your Mind

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