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Toronto Musicians Come Together to Raise Money in Support of War Child Canada



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On February 2nd at 8pm at **The Drake Hotel** in Toronto, five passionate artists who all sing about peace, change and empowerment will share the stage to

raise money for War Child, an organization that works with war-affected communities to help children reclaim their childhood through access to education, opportunity and justice.

*“We just have to help. I have two young children at home who don’t know about war, and I want that for all children. It breaks my heart to see them suffering and losing their spirit as they become ponds of war. As a recent example in Syria, children have been used as human shields. This is wrong in every way, and we cannot just sit and watch. Independent artists/bands, **Angela Saini, Chris Assaad, JP Saxe, Kristine St. Pierre** and myself are performing to raise money for this important cause”, says **Heather Hill**.*

The “Childhood Matters Campaign” provides three areas of focus: Education, Opportunity and Justice. Children and youth can be educated in a protected space that is free from abuse, they can be trained for a vocation so they can support themselves, and women and children’s rights can be protected by laws so they are not subject to sexual and other abuses. Currently War Child is facilitating communities in South Sudan and Darfur, Northern Uganda, Afghanistan, Haiti, Democratic Republic of Congo, Ethiopia and Sierra Leone (www.warchild.com).

“War Child Canada truly relies on the support of individuals such as these artists who have chosen to support us to continue our programming which reaches hundreds of thousands

*of children and their families each year”, says **Jenn Ivanovs**, Manager of Music and Special Initiatives – **War Child Canada**.*

The show will take place on February 2nd at 8:00 pm until 11pm (doors at 7:30pm) at the Drake Hotel at 1150 Queen Street East. Admission is \$10 at the door – all proceeds raised will be donated to War Child Canada. The artists will donate a portion of their merchandise sales to the War Child Canada and additional donations will be collected throughout the evening.

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Angela Saini (www.angelasaini.com),

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