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The Semifinals Begin for the 2025 Edition of **FalastinVision Song Contest**

An Ethical Music Competition Free from Genocide

Yesterday, May 5, 2025, the semifinal for this year's edition of FalastinVision opens – a spectacular music competition centered on solidarity, justice, and Palestinian culture. The group behind the initiative aims to offer a clear alternative to this year's Eurovision Song Contest, where Israel is once again allowed to participate despite the state's ongoing genocide and occupation of Palestine.

FalastinVision thus presents an ethical alternative for music lovers who wish to take a stand against Eurovision and let music become a powerful part of the resistance.

Like the final, the semifinal is held digitally from Monday, May 5 to Thursday, May 8, giving the public the opportunity to listen to and vote for their favorite entries on the website: <u>falastinvision.com</u>.

Over the course of four days, May 5–8, audiences can experience the competing songs and vote to determine which entries will advance to the grand final on May 17 – the same day Eurovision takes place in Switzerland.

This year's lineup includes 20 powerful entries from 13 countries, spanning a wide range of genres – from hard-hitting hip-hop, acoustic ballads, and electronic soundscapes to metal and spoken word poetry. The lyrics transcend languages, experiences, and borders – yet are united in the struggle for freedom, dignity, and a free Palestine.

"We are launching the semifinals today to create space for music that takes a stand for justice," says project manager Ellen Hansson Khorsand. "We're doing this to show that silence is never neutral – and that culture has always been part of resistance."

FalastinVision also invites the media to interview any of the participating artists. For media inquiries, please contact: press@falastinvision.com

Here are the artists and songs featured in this year's FalastinVision:

10kr – We Forget Facts but Not Feelings

Annie G. Silva – Vento (أمل)

Anton Berner – Befria Palestina

ASAT – A Star in the Sky

Arina Diamond – The Liveless Life

Dúo Pepe y Mary – *MESSAGE*

EVDO – Plastic Love

Frida – Mamma, vad gjorde du för Gaza?

Half Light – From the Wounds Emerges... Resistance!

Iranians for Palestine – Human, Where Are You? (إنسان، كُجايى تو؟)

JC BIGFOOT – Your Silence Is Complicity

LN Upstairs – Sumud

LOREM – We Won

Maria Lumiere – Let Me Burn

Mark Liechtenstein – Serving Palestine

Musiñka – Palestine I Love

MzumO – Al Aqsa

New Nobility - Rebel – Let's Make a Better World

Proletarian Poetry – Darkness

UGOXME – *Little Boy*

FalastinVision is a grassroots, non-profit initiative run by human rights activists. Expressions of interest in participation, sponsorship, or collaborations are welcomed on a rolling basis.

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