

## Media Release

### **EPL's new *Capital City Records* invites local musicians to share their songs**

#### **Digital collection of Edmonton-made music to go live in the spring**

For immediate release:

**EDMONTON, AB, Jan. 28, 2015** – Local musicians are invited to share their tunes and help the Edmonton Public Library (EPL) bring a new digital music collection to life.

*Capital City Records: Edmonton Local Music* is in development by EPL to celebrate and promote Edmonton-made music, while also build an ongoing historical record of the local music scene.

“*Capital City Records* is at the intersection of some really exciting ideas and opportunities,” said Pam Ryan, Director of Collections and Technology at EPL. “The incredible energy, talent and commitment of the local music community inspired this project and directed its development. And the new digital tools developed will make collecting and preserving Edmonton’s collective memories meaningful and fun.”

Set to launch in the spring of 2015, *Capital City Records* will make its collection of new local music available for streaming and download online. Up to 100 albums will be added each year, with new ones selected through a jury process by members of the local music community. The site will also accept older music, photos and videos, and will share a collection of hundreds of concert posters.

To kick off the project, EPL is looking for EPs and full-length albums of any genre that were released in the last five years. Musicians whose albums are accepted will be provided with a small honorarium, and their music will be promoted to EPL’s growing audience of more than 200,000 cardholders.

“EPL’s mission is to share, and *Capital City Records* brings our customers, community and city together in a new way,” said Linda Cook, CEO of EPL. “Edmonton is a city of talented minds, bright ideas and a desire to make, and we are excited to see what is submitted for this project and, in turn, what is created in our capital city.”

*Capital City Records* will accept submissions from February 2-23. Those interested in submitting music can do so by visiting [capitalcityrecords.ca](http://capitalcityrecords.ca).



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