

Sunday Nights with Michael Williams @ El Salon

New live weekly music series in Oakville!

November 23, 2015: *Sunday Nights with Michael Williams @ El Salon* is a new series of live events that will feature both international and local entertainers playing an intimate show at **El Salon/A Taste of Colombia, 67 Bronte Rd, Oakville**. The presenter/curator of this series is former MuchMusic host, music producer, journalist, musician, media personality and educator, **Michael Williams**.



I have always wanted a platform to present intimate shows in Oakville and I've found the perfect venue in El Salon. The plan is to bring the best artists I know and pair them with up and coming local artists. I will curate the series, interview the artists and occasionally play with friends." Adds Williams "El Salon at A Taste of Colombia is the perfect place to relax, enjoy a coffee and hear some great music. The first show was great, featuring Lost and Profound and Gordon Deppe.

This next band being featured at El Salon was quite the discovery for Williams: *I met **Romanyi Rota** at a gala for "Culture Link", I do not speak Hungarian and they do not speak English. Their drummer was late for sound check- I play drums so I sat in for him. The drummer finally arrived, they were great, at the end of the show they asked me to play the last song with them, and I was surprised, honored and said yes! We have been friends ever since, so come out and meet my new friends this **Sunday Nov. 29th**:*



ROMANYI ROTA

*With Special Guest **Gary Santucci** (flamenco guitarist)*

Opening **Mark Harry** (guitar) 7pm

El Salon/A Taste of Colombia, 67 Bronte Rd
(south of Lakeshore)

Cover: \$10

Showtime: Sunday Nights 6.30 to 8:30pm

Rományi Rota was established in 1985 in Nagyecsed (Szatmár County) by young, talented Oláh Gypsy musicians - the name Rományi Rota means gypsy wheels (Cigánykerék). The band first functioned as a large dance group in Nagyecsed, Hungary, the village where the country's Roma dance and music movement started in the 1970s, gathering many awards for their musical performances. Eventually Rományi Rota moved to Budapest where they continued as a smaller band. They started collecting & performing authentic Roma music from across Hungary and neighboring countries. In 1995, Rományi Rota won the Young Masters of Folk Art award, after which they received invitations to Germany, Belgium, Switzerland, the USA and Canada. Throughout the years, Rományi Rota has recorded several albums and appeared as guest musicians on a *Trans Global Underground* album, *The Gypsy Kings* and the *Rományi Kris* film music album. Rományi Rota now calls Canada home.

Watch Rományi Rota live from the Pearl Company, Hamilton <http://bit.ly/1Ofiff9>

For updates on Sunday Nights with Michael Williams at El Salon, visit www.tasteofcolombia.ca or [El Salon Facebook Page](#) Williams also plans to present special music movie nights, jams, informative youth workshops and music lectures with music professionals who will share their wealth of knowledge & experience with emerging artists who want to take their music to the next level.

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