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County fair performer pens new song supporting Ukraine

*John Ondrasik
records music video
fundraiser in Ukraine*

ALBANY — John Ondrasik — professionally known as Five For Fighting — recently filmed a music video with the Ukraine Orchestra that features his new song, “Can One Man Save the World?” that focuses on the gallantry of Ukraine’s President Volodymyr Zelensky who is standing tall as Russian wages war against his country.

Five For Fighting will headline the Linn County Fair Main Stage at Friday evening.

The music video was created at Kyiv’s Antonov Airport in front of Ukraine’s Mriya, the world’s largest cargo plane that was heavily damaged by Vladimir Putin’s military invasion of Ukraine.

The song and video are available for a download at

<https://fiveforfighting.bandcamp.com/track/can-one-man-save-the-world-feat-the-ukrainian-orchestra>.

You can also donate directly at <https://saveourallies.org>. All proceeds will go to “Save Our Allies.”

On his website, Ondrasik called the event “an honor of a lifetime.”

“In sharing this musical collaboration on such hallowed ground, I saw firsthand the fortitude and grace of the Ukrainian people, who whether they are playing a violin or driving a tank, will not be deterred by Putin’s atrocities and aggressions,” Ondrasik said.



John Ondrasik — Five For Fighting — will headline the Linn County Fair Main Stage entertainment Friday evening.

Ondrasik said he began working with “Save Our Allies” after the U.S. withdrawal from Afghanistan. Ondrasik would like fellow entertainers to band together and create a “Live Aid” like concert later this summer to benefit Ukrainian relief and refugees.

“Can one man, one person, save the world? Not alone they can’t,” Ondrasik said. “Though this song recognizes President Zelensky and all Ukrainians, it is equally about each one of us. I believe we all, as free individuals, and free nations, must do our part in ensuring that freedom and liberty is defended when one of our fellow democracies is being decimated. As the last words of our video state: History Starts Now.”

Ondrasik has had a long and successful musical career, including his platinum-selling and Grammy-

nominated “Five For Fighting”. He has recorded six studio LPs, including two platinum certified “America Town” and “The Battle for Everything.”

He has written several other Top 10 hits including “100 Years,” “World,” and “Superman (It’s Not Easy)”.

His music has been featured in numerous TV shows and films including The Blind Side, Hawaii Five-O and Code Black.

The concert is free with paid admission, although Reserved Seating is available at

www.linncountyfair.com.

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