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The annual Northside summer concert series, Live on the Drive, finishes its seventh year with the up and coming Bomba De Luz on Thursday, August 14th, from 6 to 8pm. This will be the final of three concerts held outdoors this summer on the scenic Victory Memorial Drive at 34th Avenue North in Minneapolis, one of the most beautiful concert settings in the city.

Bomba de Luz is a very musical, up and coming group of indie rockers featuring songwriter Lydia Liza on guitar and mesmerizing vocals. The band's played on NPR and 89.3 The Current, at First Avenue and at the Basilica Block Party. Members of the band have also shared stages with artists like Chastity Brown, Toki Wright, Jake Bugg, Kimya Dawson, Family of The Year, Astronautalis, and many others. They've got a new CD coming out soon, too. Come hear them!

Come with an appetite and enjoy dinner from food vendors The Lowry Café, Mama Donato's Woodfired Pizza, Gramsky's Sandwiches, and treat yourself with gelato from Nona Rosa's. Stay into the evening for a movie in the park, featuring the black and white thriller, Psycho, at dusk right at the Live on the Drive concert site. All are welcome to join us for our Bike to the Drive ride at 5pm, starting at Cleveland Park and taking a leisurely neighborhood ride through Cleveland Neighborhood to the Live on the Drive location. Our "green" events feature recycling and composting, diverting 93% of materials out of the waste stream last year. Be sure to invite your neighbors and bring your friends to this family-friendly, all-ages event!

Live on the Drive is presented by founding partner, North Memorial, with the Cleveland Neighborhood Association, the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board, North End Hardware and The Lowry Café, Hennepin County, Westphal Auxiliary Legion, Healy Creative, North News, Victory Neighborhood Association, Washburn-McReavy, and the Metropolitan Regional Arts Council. This activity is funded, in part, by appropriations from the Minnesota State Legislature with money from the State's general fund, and its arts and cultural heritage fund that was created by a vote of the people of Minnesota on November 4, 2008.

Live on the Drive brings people together from across the Northside and throughout the greater Twin Cities to hear extraordinary music and to celebrate summer, good health and Northside city living. We've had an amazing summer already with an incredible slate of Minneapolis-based musicians: jazz vocalist Thomasina Petrus (June 12th), rock and classical fusion act Clocks & Clouds (July 10th), and now this month with folk/indie rock band Bomba de Luz (August 14th).

Bomba De Luz rocks out Live on the Drive!

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Food vendors and Movies in the Park are back to finish out each concert night: family-friendly movie Remember the Titans (June 12th), Black Film Festival pick Soul Food Junkie (July 10th), and Black and White classic Psycho (August 14th). Our Bike to the Drive event in August, Artist Spotlights during intermission and more will round out what has become a staple of summer on the Northside.

For more information, call 612-588-1155 or visit www.liveonthedrive.org