



**THE ETHNIC SKA ROCK BAND FROM GREECE THAT INTRODUCED
THEMSELVES THROUGH THE EUROVISION SONG CONTEST 2013
WITH THE SONG...**

“ALCOHOL IS FREE”

BBC News :

*“KOZA MOSTRA IS APPARENTLY ONE OF THE MOST PROMISING BALKAN
SKA BANDS”*

BILD News :

“FOR THESE GREEKS THERE IS NO ECONOMICAL CRISIS”

When **Ilias Kozas** (lead singer & creator of Koza Mostra) composed *“Alcohol is Free”* on 2013, he could not even believe that the title of his song would become a symbol of freedom and optimism.

Koza Mostra formed in 2012 by Ilias Kozas. In order to persuade their audience that “anything can happen anywhere” they decided to participate on Eurovision Song Contest 2013 accompanied by **Agathon Iakovidis** (one of the most significant singers of “rebetiko” music style) with the song **Alcohol is free**, not only winning the national final with the largest percentage of voting audience ever, but also becoming one of the most beloved bands at the contest in Malmö (Sweden), winning the 6th place in the final chart, despite their Greek language and politically allegorical lyrics.



On March 22nd 2013 Koza Mostra, counting less than one year of existence, released their first album “**Keep up the Rhythm**” and sold over **130.000 physical copies** of it. They had the honor to work with **Paul Hitter** (one of the most influential Gipsy Artists), the artist behind most of **Gogol Bordello’s** artwork.

Paul created the whole artwork of Koza Mostra's CD and he wrote the following beautiful words:

*"I MET **KOZA MOSTRA** AT THE FESTIVAL SOMEWHERE IN SOUTHERN FRANCE MOUNTAINS AND IT WAS THE BEST LIVE ACT I SAW IN THE LAST YEARS...I GOT EXACTLY THE SAME FEELING AND ENERGY THAT I GET AT **GOGOL BORDELLO** LIVE SHOWS..."*



Their exquisite fusion of many music genres including Ska, Balkan, Rock, Punk, and blended with "Rebetiko" (traditional Greek music genre from the interwar period) , marks Koza Mostra as "one of a kind" band.

In late 2017 they released their second album “CORRIDA” (October 2017) with artwork created once again by Paul Hitter.



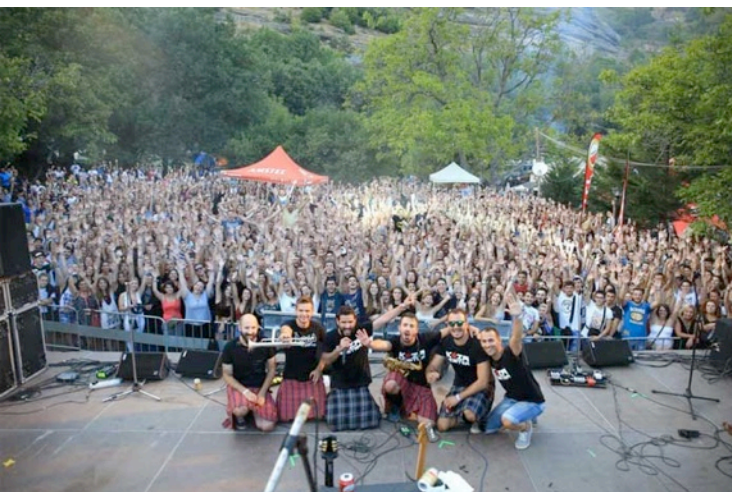
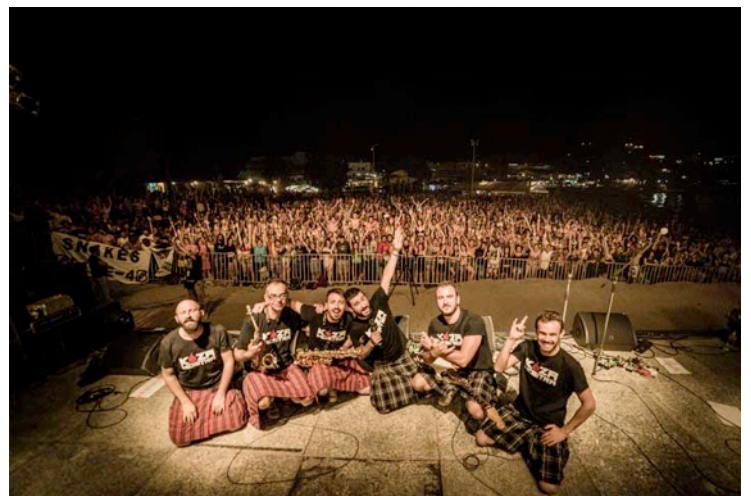
“Don't Panic, We're on Titanic” is the latest video from this album.

Also, following personal request of “Mikis Theodorakis”, one the biggest composers worldwide, they are already working on an album of covers of his greatest songs, becoming the first of new generation artists who did so.

The first single of this album which already had great reviews is “Leventis”.

Koza Mostra counts many performances around Europe, playing on all kinds of festivals (Rock, Folk, Ethnic, Balkan) including : Nilufer Muzik fest (**Turkey**), Iboga fest (**Spain**), Shutka fest (**Israel**), Bevrijdingsfeest (**Netherlands**), Mare de Agosto (**Azores-Portugal**), Umbria folk fest / Guca sul Carso / Ariano folk fest (**Italy**), Longlake (**Switzerland**), Kubana fest (**Russia**), Lake fest (**Montenegro**), Shake that halm (**Bulgaria**), Gustar fest (**Moldova**), Welcome in Tziganie / Kumpania fest (**France**), Cosmopolis / Street Mode / Nestorio River Party (**Greece**) and sharing the stage with artists such as : *Gogol Bordello, Kultur Shock, Goran Bregovic, Dubioza Kolektiv, The Locos, Die Antwoord, Panic at the disco, Madness, Bad Manners, Enter Shikari, Hollywood Undead, HIM, Skindred, Guano Apes, Transglobal Underground, Vinicio Capossela, Dub Pistols, Sérgio Godinho or Fanfare Tirana and others.*

[KOZA MOSTRA LIVE COMPILATION CLIP](#)



Koza Mostra band consists of:

Ilias Kozas : Lead singer // Guitar
Dimitris Christonis : Bass
Stelios Tsompanidis : Drums
Tasos Korkovelos : Keys // Samples // B.Vocals
Tasos Gentsis : Saxophone // B.Vocals
Petros Lagontsos : Guitar // B.Vocals
Live Sound Engineer: Leonidas Katsenis

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