

## [Musician Melanie Safka Signs on as Drug-Free Ambassador](#)

*Foundation for a Drug-Free World joined by internationally loved singer/songwriter Melanie Safka.*

Online PR News "06-July-2015" Each year on the United Nations' International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, members of Foundation for a Drug-Free World go all out. They travel to schools to deliver lectures on the Truth About Drugs. They pass out booklets to help kids understand the hazards, and tips to avoid peer pressure.

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The World Drug Report, released on June 26, reports that nearly 200,000 die of drug abuse each year. There are 246 million drug users aged 15-64 and some 27 million people dependent on drugs.

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The Tennessee Chapter of the Foundation for a Drug-Free World (FDFW) commemorated the annual International Day Against Drug Abuse with events to get this important information to the people of the South. Internationally loved musician Melanie joined the movement by signing on as an official Drug-Free Ambassador.

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Melanie, best known for her musical hits Brand New Key, Ruby Tuesday, What Have They Done to My Song Ma, and her song about performing at the 1969 Woodstock Music Festival, Lay Down (Candles in the Rain), is also the recipient of the 2015 Peaceful Revolution Award from Celebrity Centre Nashville.

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An American songwriter who survived American culture, Melanie is determined to speak out on this important topic: You dont have to experience drugs to experience life. Thats what imagination is for.

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For Melanie, this subject hits a little too close to home. Shes concerned about the drug ridden culture her grandchildren are now experiencing. I see people who are my grand-daughter's age who feel they do have to apologize for not taking drugs. They're being pressured into it.

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Team members for FDFW have made great strides in Tennessee. They have educated more than 18,000 people, been to more than thirty counties and have distributed over 60,000 booklets to those in need. "Our job is not over," says a volunteer for the program. "We still have far to go before the demand for drugs recedes. Our goal is an entirely drug-free state."

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Part of the drive of FDFW is inspired by humanitarian L. Ron Hubbard who once wrote, The single most

destructive element present in our current culture is drugs.

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