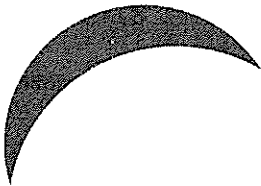


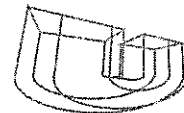
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## **Global Television, Lone Eagle Entertainment and Universal Music Canada congratulate Canada's newest Popstars Velvet Empire**

(TORONTO – Tuesday, April 16, 2002) Canada's first boy-girl supergroup has arrived. The five finalists of **Popstars - Boy Meets Girl**, who were revealed in the April 16 episode and who will make up the group Velvet Empire, are:

Janelle Belgrave of Toronto, Ontario  
Lacey Block of Lethbridge, Alberta  
Ryan Hamilton of Calgary, Alberta  
Justin Humes of Baie D'urfe, Quebec  
Alex Price of Vancouver, British Columbia

"**Popstars - Boy Meets Girl** has performed solidly since the March 1 premiere." said Loren Mawhinney, Vice President, Canadian Production, Global Television. "We applaud all the gifted young men and women who participated and congratulate the final five. Viewers can expect more excitement as the new group evolves over the coming weeks."

"The great thing about this series is being able to let five talented individuals have their dreams come true," said Michael Geddes, President, Lone Eagle Entertainment Ltd. and executive producer of **Popstars - Boy Meets Girl**. "We are very proud of these five; they have a big future ahead."

“We look forward to once again working with Lone Eagle and, with them, introducing a group of talented artists into the market.” added Sarah Norris, Senior Vice President, Universal Music Canada.

Tune in to **Popstars - Boy Meets Girl** Tuesday April 23 on Global Television for the worldwide premiere of the debut single *Frontn' On Me*, which will be serviced to radio across Canada on April 24. Watch for the premiere of the video later in the series on April 30. The single is produced by award-winning Canadian producer Justin Gray (Snow, McMaster & James, Wide Mouth Mason). The group's first album will be available in stores everywhere on April 30.

**Popstars - Boy Meets Girl** chronicles the selection, creation and development of Canada's first boy-girl super group. The primetime docu-soap, produced by Lone Eagle Entertainment Ltd. in association with Global Television, follows all the behind-the-scenes drama and excitement of the selection process, which culminates in a recording contract with Universal Music Canada.

The series is produced by award-winning producer Maria Pimentel and directed by veteran documentary director Joseph Blasioli.

The journey continues for the members of Velvet Empire when **Popstars - Boy Meets Girl** resumes Tuesday, April 23 with six new episodes:

Quebec/Ontario/British Columbia/Alberta – 8:30pm

Manitoba/Saskatchewan – 7:30pm

Maritimes – 9:30pm

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