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## ANDRIY KUZMENKO

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Thousands of music fans have been shocked recently by the death of Andriy Kuzmenko, best known as the lead singer of the rock band Skryabin. Andriy was a Ukrainian singer, a writer, a TV presenter, a producer, an actor and a wonderful man, that is way he is so respected.

Kuzmenko was born on August 17, 1968 in Sambir, Lviv region. The first impulse to melomania was the Beatles song "Lady Madonna", which Kuzma heard in 1979, when he was 10 years old. He made an electric guitar of plywood, painted as expected, and played it. Andrew graduated from the music school, where he was taking piano classes.

In 1983 Kuzma heard the Polish American group Exploited which seized him and made him love punk rock forever. One day when he was walking around the basement in Novoyavorivskiy Street, he heard that there was someone playing punk rock. He could not resist and come in, and then asked to play. So then Kuzma had his own group, called Chain Reaction. Even then, the boys expressed their protest against the injustices of the world. He played the guitar, sang and was also the author of music lyrics.

When the musician was 21, him friends and he created the group "Skryabin". On June 30, 1989 the first song was written. However, later Kuzma was not limited to just music, but also realized himself as a TV presenter and showman. Kuzma was a wise and intelligent man, a psychologist by nature, charismatic and unique, honest and genuine. Although Kuzma behavior depended almost exclusively on his mood. The musician did not like to speak about his personal life, and tried to avoid it in every way. But he willingly commented political developments in the country and even devoted to them his songs. Commenting on the latest developments in the East, Kuzma spoke rather harshly and critically.

With the death of Kuzma the whole era of Ukrainian music was gone.