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UNVEILING GOLDEN MERCURY STATUE BY BARRY HAY

When writing the famous world hit “Radar Love” in 1972, Barry Hay, singer of the Golden Earring, was inspired by an image of Mercury while driving from Loosdrecht to Hilversum: “We've got a thing that's called a-radar love We've got a line in the sky Radar Love” This golden Mercury, 4 meters high and designed by the renowned sculptor Dick Stins, stands in front of the largest industrial monument by architect Dudok at Vreelandseweg 5 in Hilversum, where the Hilversum Business Center is now located. After 60 years, the statue showed some wear due to weather influences and was professionally re-covered with gold leaf. Every reason for a great spectacle now that Mercury has been restored to its former glory and is once again shining in the streets of Hilversum. “We've got a line in the sky Radar Love” Barry Hay has agreed to come from Curaçao to reveal “his” inspiration for the ultimate road song again. This event will take place, in the presence of Rinus Gerritsen, mayor Gerhard van den Top and councilor Arno Scheepers, on June 12 from 1 p.m. at the Hilversum Business Center, Vreelandseweg 5 in Hilversum. The Clarks will perform before and after the unveiling. Afterwards there will be a signing session and the first fifty copies of the biography of that day sold will be signed by Golden Earring singer and rock legend Barry Hay. You are very welcome to attend.

Note: The website Radar-Love.net, online since 1999, will receive the designation of cultural heritage from the Royal Library on June 6, as part of the UNESCO digital heritage act (2003).

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