

# THE INDEPENDENT

## Ten best gigs



### Staff Benda Bilili

Fri

The extraordinary story and music of the Kinshasa street musicians is captured beautifully on the film *Benda Bilili*, launched tonight, and on stage they are thrilling. *Union Chapel, London N1*

### Marry Waterson & Oliver Knight

Thur

Marry Waterson's superb voice and brother Oliver Knight's lyrical instrumentation reach full blossom on their long-awaited debut album, *The Days That Shaped Me*. *Green Note, London NW1*

### Get the Blessing + Arun Ghosh

Fri

The first of three preview nights of the upcoming *Brit Jazz tour* through Germany and Austria, featuring six British bands from the new wave of British jazz. *Pizza Express Jazz, London W1*

### Ian King, Jen Doyle & Joe Fowler

Mon

Ian King's album debut made waves when it was released last year. He's here with a band including Skip McDonald, and joined by fiddle and guitar/vocal duo Jen Doyle and Joe Fowler. *Green Note, London NW1*

### Deolinda

Tue

A postmodern, ironic Fado from the part-band, part-fictional character that is Deolinda, who is steeped in Lisbon life. *Jazz Café, London NW1*



### Warsaw Village Band

Fri

Touring with their most recent album, 2009's *Infinity*, the bewitching Polish troupe deliver a driven, dramatic repertoire. *Salisbury Arts Centre*

### Seth Lakeman Trio

Wed to Fri

A more intimate trio format, featuring Benji Kirkpatrick, for the Dartmoor folk star as he continues to tour his most recent album, *Hearts and Minds*. *Touring Shoreham-by-Sea, Poole & Luton*

### Phronesis

Tue, Thur & Fri

Improvisational wisdom and the wide open spaces of invention from the Danish double bassist Jasper Høiby and his trio with material from their scorching 2010 album, *Alive*. *Touring Manchester, Leeds & Kendal*

### Ralph Towner & Paolo Fresu

tonight, Sun, Tue to Fri

A night of tender instrumental coupling between Towner's guitar and Fresu's trumpet and flugel horn. *Touring Edinburgh, Oxford, Nottingham, Much Wenlock, London & Manchester*

### Kernow in the City

tonight

Louis Eliot & the Embers celebrate St Piran's Day for a second year, with musical guests including Princes in the Tower and morris dancers the Belles of London City. *ICA, London SW1*

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