

Destinations

NIGHT LIFE

The lowdown on lineups at music fests

JUNE 1-5
MONTREAL
Mutek: There are dozens of music festivals where you can see the same old acts that show up everywhere. Then there's Mutek, a carefully curated collection of musical acts from the Americas and Europe. Mutek is a not-for-profit festival, meaning organizers are less concerned with

pulling in superstars than with promoting Quebec talent and scouring the globe for electronic-based buzz bands that are either criminally underappreciated, or about to break big. The 2011 edition features Actress, Ben Frost, Brandt Brauer Frick, Carl Michael von Hausswolff, D Numbers, Eleh, Matmos, Minilogue, Moritz von Oswald Trio, Mouse

on Mars, Nurse With Wound, Paul Kalkbrenner, P  p   Bradock, Rebolledo, Se  or Coconut and His Orchestra, and Vladislav Delay. A festival pass is \$182. www.mutek.org

JUNE 24-26
ATLANTIC CITY
Dave Matthews Band Caravan: Generally the words Dave Mat-

thews and Atlantic City would leave us seeking shelter elsewhere. But the Dave Matthews Band Caravan is not as frightening as it sounds (please, hold your hate mail). The three-day festival takes place in a number of venues across the casino-filled city and includes sets from the Flaming Lips, David Gray, Ray LaMontagne, Grace Potter and the Nocturnals, Guster, Amos Lee, Damian Marley, and Thievery Corporation. There's also a Dave Matthews and Tim Reynolds acoustic set, for those of you who like that sort of thing. General admission for the festival is \$195, a VIP pass \$825. www.dmbcaravan.com

MAY 19
NEW YORK
A Great Night in Harlem: It may be an immodest moniker, but a Great Night in Harlem certainly measures up with performances from greats such as Roberta Flack, Macy Grey, Dr. John, and Lou Reed. There are also appearances from Danny Glover and Michael Imperioli. Then there's a cryptic tease of appearances from more than 50 legends. Fingers crossed Gloria Gaynor is one of them. This show is a benefit for the Jazz Musicians Emergency Fund, which aids



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Mutek promotes Quebec talent and scours the globe for electronic-based bands.

elderly musicians. Tickets range from \$55 for the balcony to \$1,500 for VIP orchestra seats. The organization is hoping to raise \$2 million. www.jazzfoundation.org

MAY 28-29
NEWCASTLE, England
Evolution Weekender: How many festivals can lay claim to a list of performers ranging from Iggy Pop to Hercules and Love Affair? The only one we have

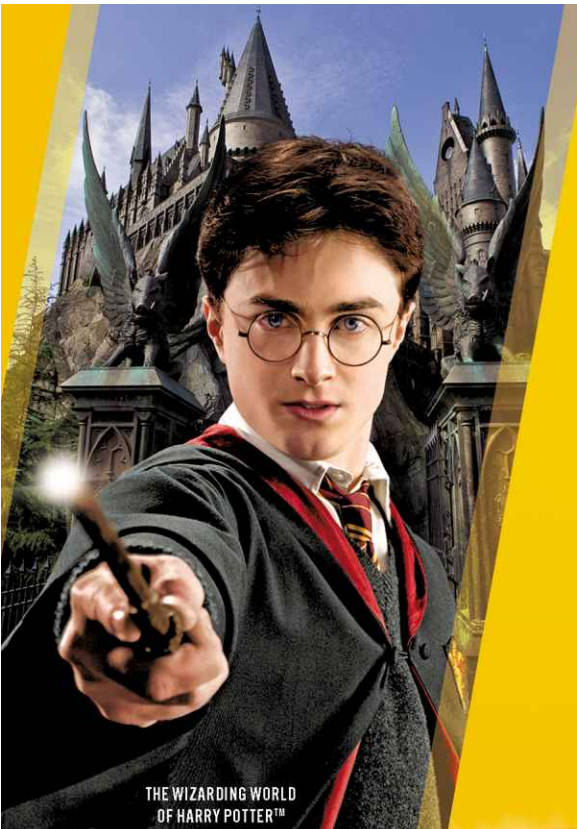
managed to unearth: the Newcastle Evolution Weekender. Also performing at this United Kingdom bank holiday gathering are Caribou, Tinie Tempah, Not Squares, Example, and Mount Kimbie. And you can hear emerging bands at clubs around the city. Weekend tickets are \$40. www.evolutionfestival.co.uk

PLAN AHEAD

AUG. 11-14
STANDON, England
Standon Calling: It's not exactly based on the Clash's punk-driven ideal of "London Calling," especially with an appearance from the elderly Cuban ensemble Buena Vista Social Club. But Standon Calling does include some slightly younger acts, such as British Sea Power, Gilles Peterson, the Magic Numbers, and Etienne de Crecy. All early-bird tickets have sold out, but there are still tickets available for \$228. Rugged types can bring a tent and camp on the grounds. www.standon-calling.com

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