



THE CORNBURY OXFORD MUSIC FESTIVAL 2006 OFFICIAL LINE UP REVEALED TODAY

ROCK LEGEND **ROBERT PLANT** CONFIRMED AS HEADLINER ALONG WITH MANY MORE FANTASTIC ACTS, INCLUDING:

TEXAS, CIRCULUS, KATE RUSBY, ROCCO DELUCA AND THE BURDEN, GOLDRUSH, NERINA PALLOT, PINEY GIR'S COUNTRY ROADSHOW, MOHAIR, FELL CITY GIRL, GET CAPE, WEAR CAPE, FLY, ROBYN HITCHCOCK AND THE MINUS 3, MARTIN SIMPSON, SPIERS & BODEN, THE DUALERS and MANY MORE!

Press Information: Thursday, 6 April – Organisers of **The Cornbury Oxford Music Festival 2006** have today announced their line up, which boasts such rock heavyweights as Led Zeppelin's legendary frontman **ROBERT PLANT**. The festival will take place on the **8th and 9th of July** on the spectacular grounds of Cornbury Park near Oxford. The site has a long-held tradition of holding festivals since the mid-19th century and now in its third year, **The Cornbury Oxford Music Festival 2006** has built upon this history to create one of the best festival experiences on offer this summer. Tickets for this amazing weekend are available now. See below for more details.

As the front man for Led Zeppelin from 1969 – 1982, **Robert Plant's** unmistakably unique vocals combined with his powerful stage presence rocketed him to godlike status around the globe. His most recent 2005 solo album 'Mighty Rearranger' garnered some of the best reviews his solo work has ever received. His main stage headlining appearance on Saturday 8th July is sure to be one of the highlights of the weekend.

Also on the Saturday's Main Stage a variety of distinguished artists and bands, including festival favourites **The Waterboys**. Formed in 1983 and headed by Mike Scott, the band has dabbled in various musical traditions including Celtic, folk and rock and roll.

Deacon Blue, one of Scotland's most popular bands, will also be joining Saturday's line up. This predominantly Glaswegian act were one of the top-selling UK bands of the late 1980s/early 1990s. Lead vocalist, Ricky Ross penned James Blunt's massive international hit 'High' .

Meanwhile new Polydor signing, **Rocco Deluca and The Burden** will be bringing some fast and furious blues to Cornbury. Debut album ' I Trust You To Kill Me' has already earned the band some celebrity fans including Keifer Sutherland and leave no room for doubt or speculation we expect there to be many more.

London-based **Mohair** will be giving Saturday's main stage a taste of late 70s rock with diverse influences ranging from ELO to Queen. They are also set to release their debut album "Small Talk" on 24 April.

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The Glaswegian **Texas** have been churning out hits since the late 80s with their mix of blues-rock, blue-eyed soul and disco pop. With hits like 'Say What You Want', *Halo*, 'Summer Son', and their most recent hit 'What About Us', **Texas** are sure to be an outstanding addition to the Sunday Main stage line up.

British singer songwriter **Nerina Pallot** will also be joining the Sunday Main stage. She has toured the country many times as the support act to Sheryl Crow, Suzanne Vega and Joseph Arthur and will embark on a full headlining tour in May.

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Croydon's busking duo, **The Dualers** supported by a six piece band will get the crowd hopping with their unique blend of ska tunes and Motown like vocal harmonies. Their album 'The Melting Pot' is due for release in June 2006.

Bringing their eclectic line up to this year's festival, the much beloved Truck Festival will sponsor Saturday's second stage. Festival Organizer PC Rae had this to say about their involvement this year:

"We've had lots of promoters ask us about taking the Truck idea to other events, but this one is the first we've actually signed up to. It isn't anything complicated - just some Truck favourites on a stage in a field - but a great field it is. Probably the only site I've been to that looks better has been Fuji Rock in Japan in fact."

Artists confirmed to play Saturday's Truck Festival stage are **Get Cape, Wear Cape, Fly, Piney Gir's Country Roadshow, Goldrush, Aberfeldy, Fell City Girl** and one very special act yet to be announced.

The much-respected Oxford Folk festival will sponsor Sunday's second stage. Tim Healey, festival director, states:

"We are thrilled to be involved with Cornbury. Multi-dimensional and held in a magical setting it promises to be Oxfordshire's definitive music Festival."

Artists confirmed to play Sunday's Oxford Folk Festival stage are **Kate Rusby, Spiers & Boden, Martin Simpson** and **Circulus**.

Festival organiser Hugh Phillimore commented:

'We've pulled together our strongest line-up this year. I'm very excited to have Truck & The Oxford Folk Festival on board – they bring a whole new dimension to Cornbury – so, with them and our strong main stage cast, I know we've got all the elements for a fantastic weekend'.

Tickets, which are onsale now, cost £40 for Saturday or Sunday and £70 for the weekend and can be purchased via the website www.cornburyfestival.com or by calling the ticket hotline on 0870118 1636. There is free admittance for children under 10.

There are a variety of camping packages to choose. Full information will be available on www.cornburyfestival.com.

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