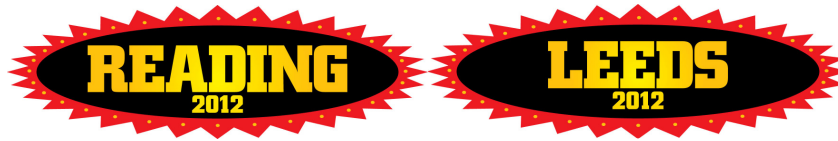


Embargo, 17 February 2012, 11am



PROUDLY PRESENTS



24TH – 26TH AUGUST 2012

Tickets on Sale and line-up announcement
Monday 12th March at 7.15pm

Plus

Festival Republic's new Reading & Leeds Apprenticeship and Internship Scheme

Reading & Leeds Festival 2012 is guaranteed to be the music event of the summer with the biggest and best names in music descending on the legendary twin-site event over the August bank holiday weekend. Festival Republic have now confirmed tickets will go on general sale at **7.15pm on Monday 12th March 2012**, when the headliners and many more names for the festival will also be announced. Reading Festival takes place at Little Johns Farm, Richfield Avenue, Reading, Berkshire, and Leeds Festival takes place at Bramham Park, Leeds, West Yorkshire.

Fans have the option to pay for their 2012 tickets using the instalment plan across either two or four equal payments in order to spread the cost. Further details are at http://www.readingfestival.com/news/article/ticket_instalment_plan and http://www.leedsfestival.com/2011/news/article/ticket_instalment_plan.

Festival Republic are also announcing plans to introduce a new **Reading & Leeds apprenticeship and internship scheme** to invite attendees for this year's festival to see how things work behind the scenes. Organisers will be offering **two 12-month apprenticeships** (one for Reading Festival and one for Leeds Festival), as well as **ten internship placements of up to 3 weeks** to give 2012 ticket holders an opportunity to get involved in all aspects of producing the UK's Number 1 festival, with placements created in various departments within Festival Republic such as: Production; Artist Liaison; Sponsorship; PR; Marketing; Digital/ Social Media; Ticketing; Sustainability; On site at Reading; On site at Leeds, and also with associated companies such as Scream PR (broadcast PR agency for the festival), Hall or Nothing (print and online PR agency for the festival). The placements will be located in London or on site at Reading or Leeds. The aim of the scheme is to give invaluable experience in the live music/ events industry to young people looking to benefit from the opportunity to enhance their skills and experience as they look to begin their careers in difficult economic times. Basic expenses will be paid.

Applicants will be asked to compose a letter of no more than 500 words on why they would like to be considered for an internship, giving details on the area they would prefer to work in. Applicants must be between 18 and 25 years old. Full details on how to apply and the dates applicants would need to be available will be posted on the Reading & Leeds websites from the launch on 12 March.

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