



# Prague's Top 10 Events 2012



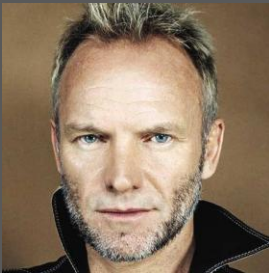
**Rudolfinum Gallery / December 7 – February 26**  
**DAVID LACHAPELLE – THUS SPOKE LACHAPELLE**

The American photographer and artist David LaChapelle has ranked among the world's most eminent photographers since the mid-90s. His work has exerted an influence on dozens of other artists and over time. He has evolved a style entirely his own, one which is recognizable at first glance. In the context of his exhibitions the present show occupies a unique place.



**O2 Arena / February 17 - 19**  
**BATMAN LIVE - WORLD ARENA TOUR 2011**

For the first time in DC Comics history, see Batman the world's most popular DC Super Hero as you've never seen him before, in an all-new, live-action arena adventure, set to take the world by storm. Premiering in the UK in Summer 2011, Batman Live - World Arena Tour is a multi-million pound stage production of unprecedented scale and a must-see for families and Batman fans everywhere.



**Congress Centre / February 18**  
**STING – BACK TO BASS TOUR**

Back to Bass finds Sting performing songs spanning his dynamic and enduring solo career, from his 1985 debut *The Dream Of The Blue Turtles* to his latest release, *Live in Berlin*, plus a selection of The Police's greatest hits. Highlights include the Grammy winners "Brand New Day" and "If I Ever Lose My Faith In You" plus fan-favorites "Englishman In New York," "Desert Rose" and "Roxanne."



**Congress Centre / February 23**  
**CHRIS REA**

He is an English singer-songwriter, recognisable for his distinctive, husky voice and slide guitar playing. The *British Hit Singles & Albums* stated that Rea was "one of the most popular UK singer-songwriters of the late 1980s. He was already a major European star by the time he finally cracked the UK Top 10 with his 18th chart entry; "The Road to Hell". By 2009, Rea had sold more than 30 million albums worldwide.



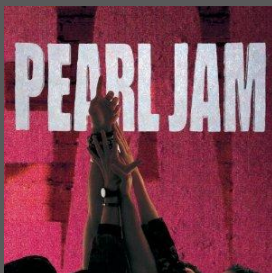
**O2 Arena / May 25 - 27**  
**CIRQUE DU SOLEIL - ALEGRIA**

Alegria is a mood, a state of mind. Power and the handing down of power over time, the evolution from ancient monarchies to modern democracies, old age, youth - it is against this backdrop that the characters of Alegria play out their lives. Kings' fools, minstrels, beggars, old aristocrats and children make up its universe, along with the clowns, who alone are able to resist the passing of time and the social transformations that accompany it.



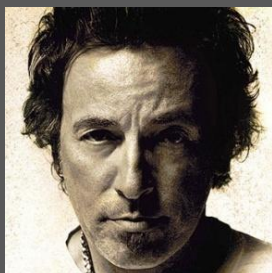
**O2 Arena / June 6**  
**BLACK SABBATH**

They are cited as pioneers of heavy metal. The band helped define the genre with releases such as quadruple-platinum Paranoid, released in 1970. They were ranked by MTV as the "Greatest Metal Band" of all time. Rolling Stone has posited the band as 'the heavy-metal kings of the '70s'. They have sold 80 million records worldwide.



**O2 Arena / July 2**  
**PEARL JAM**

They broke into the mainstream with their debut album Ten and were one of the key bands of the grunge movement in the early 1990s. They remain as one of the most influential rock bands as they outlasted many of its contemporaries from the alternative rock breakthrough. To date, the band has sold over 60 million records worldwide.



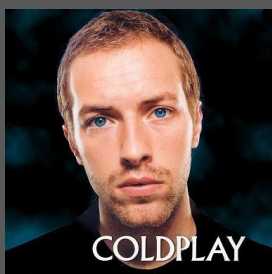
**Synottip Arena / July 11**  
**BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN & THE E STREET BAND**

His recordings have included both commercially accessible rock albums and more somber folk-oriented works. His most successful studio albums, Born in the U.S.A. and Born to Run, showcase a talent for finding grandeur in the struggles of daily American life; he has sold almost 200 million albums worldwide and he has earned numerous awards for his work, including 20 Grammy Awards, two Golden Globes and an Academy Award.



**Synottip Arena / August 27**  
**RED HOT CHILLI PEPPERS**

The group's musical style primarily consists of rock with an emphasis on funk, as well as elements from other genres such as punk, hip hop and psychedelic rock. The band consists of founding members Anthony Kiedis (vocals) and Michael "Flea" Balzary (bass), alongside longtime drummer Chad Smith and guitarist Josh Klinghoffer, who joined in late 2009.



**Synottip Arena / September 16**  
**COLDPLAY**

The band has won a number of music awards throughout their career, including six Brit Awards — winning Best British Group three times, four MTV Video Music Awards, and seven Grammy Awards from twenty nominations. As one of the world's best-selling music artists, Coldplay have sold over 50 million records worldwide.