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Barbican announces Trio Da Kali performance for October 2025

Trio Da Kali
Monday 6 October 2025, 7:30pm
Milton Court Concert Hall
Tickets from £20 plus booking fee

Trio Da Kali brings the depth and soul of Mali's music and oral storytelling griot tradition to the Barbican Hall in a powerful live performance, blending centuries-old music with fresh, contemporary expression.

Formed by three acclaimed musicians from hereditary griot families, Trio Da Kali creates music rooted in oral tradition but shaped by each member's distinctive artistry. **Hawa Kassé Mady Diabaté**, widely recognised for her commanding and expressive voice, is joined by **Fodé Lassana Diabaté**, a master of the balafon, and **Mamadou Kouyaté**, whose bass ngoni brings a bold, rhythmic foundation informed by years of collaboration and inherited craft.

Trio Da Kali's music is intimate, layered, and emotionally resonant — drawing from ancient forms while speaking clearly to the present. This concert offers a chance to hear the trio's unique approach in full focus: reflective, rhythmic, and rich with history.

Produced by the Barbican in association with Earth Cruises

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- **RAMPAGE: Carnival Classics 2** ([Fri 20 Jun 2025, Barbican Hall, 8pm](#))
- **Summer Jazz Series: Brad Mehldau Trio** ([Tue 24 Jun 2025, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm](#))
- **Summer Jazz Series: Take Me To The River All-Stars: Memphis Soul Revue** ([Sat 12 Jul 2025, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm](#))
- **Summer Jazz Series: Herbie Hancock** ([Thu 24 – Sat 26 Jul 2025, Barbican Hall, 8pm](#))
- **Quinteto Astor Piazzolla** ([Sun 27 Jul 2025, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm](#))
- **ganavya: Daughter of a Temple** ([Thu 4 Sep 2025, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm](#))
- **Whatever The Weather - Loraine James** ([Sat 6 Sep 2025, Milton Court Concert Hall, 7.30pm](#))
- **Balimaya Project x Discos Pacífico All Stars** ([Sat 27 Sep 2025, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm](#))
- **JAMBINAI with London Contemporary Orchestra - K-Music Festival 2025** ([Sun 5 Oct 2025, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm](#))
- **NEW - Trio Da Kali** ([Mon 6 Oct 2025, Milton Court Concert Hall, 7.30pm](#))
- **The Divine Comedy: Rainy Afternoon** ([Sat 11 - Sun 12 Oct 2025, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm](#))
- **Hayden Thorpe: Song of Ness with Robert Macfarlane and Propellor Ensemble** ([Thu 16 Oct 2025, Milton Court Concert Hall, 7.30pm](#))
- **Public Service Broadcasting with London Contemporary Orchestra** (Saturday 1 November, Barbican Hall)
- **EFG London Jazz Festival: aja monet with guests** ([Fri 14 Nov 2025, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm](#))

- EFG London Jazz Festival: We Exist! The Dee Dee Bridgewater Quartet ([Sat 15 Nov, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm](#))
- EFG London Jazz Festival: Hermeto Pascoal & Grupo ([Sun 16 Nov 2025, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm](#))
- EFG London Jazz Festival: Hiromi's Sonicwonder ([Fri 21 Nov 2025, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm](#))
- EFG London Jazz Festival: Tortoise ([Sat 22 Nov 2025, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm](#))
- EFG London Jazz Festival: Japanese Jazz ([Sun 23 Nov 2025, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm](#))
- Hania Rani – Non Fiction: A Piano Concerto in Four Movements ([Tue 25 – Weds 26 Nov, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm](#))
- Carlos Alomar presents: The D.A.M. Trilogy ([Fri 28 Nov 2025, Barbican Hall, 8pm](#))
- Le Trio Joubran: Twenty Springs ([Sat 29 Nov 2025, Barbican Hall, 8pm](#))
- GoGo Penguin + special guest Daudi Matsiko ([Wed 3 Dec 2025, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm](#))
- Lucinda Williams ([Tue 3 February 2026, Barbican Hall, 8pm](#))
- Jóhann Jóhannsson: Cinematic Suites ([Wed 18 Feb 2026, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm](#))
- Ryoji Ikeda Weekender: Portrait ([Fri - Sat 20-21 Feb 2026, Various Venues](#))

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