

Elbow donate signed guitar to help war torn families



A Godin Montreal guitar signed by all five members of the band tops auction raising money for leading Manchester-based landmine charity, MAG

Mercury nominated GoGo Penguin, Billy Bragg, Marilyn Manson, Stephen Fry, The Prodigy and Lenny Kravitz have also donated one-off collectables to the 'Music Beats Mines' auction

**Auction: Thursday 27 November, 9pm - Sunday 7 December, 9pm.
Access the auction shop [here](#).**

Tuesday 25 November: Christmas has come early for [Elbow](#) fans who will have the chance to snap up an incredible gift after the band donated a much-loved guitar to a Manchester-based landmine charity.

Signed by all five members of the band, the Godin Montreal guitar has been used in their live show for the past eight years. The star item is being auctioned on eBay along with lots from Mercury-nominated GoGo Penguin, The Prodigy, Lenny Kravitz and Stephen Fry in aid of [MAG](#) (Mines Advisory Group).

Proceeds from the 'Music Beats Mines' auction will go to fund MAG's lifesaving work across the world to clear war zones of landmines and weapons, helping men, women and children gain access to food, water and aid.

Long-time supporters of the Manchester-based charity, Elbow used MAG's logo on their 2014 chart-topping album *The Take Off and Landing of Everything*, and have lent their track 'Colour Fields' to a [MAG video](#), first aired at Glastonbury this year.

Frontman Guy Garvey is encouraging people to grab some one-off music memorabilia in time for Christmas, whilst supporting a charity close to his heart.

He says, "We've been huge admirers of the work MAG do for over a decade now. They risk their lives to piece back together war-torn communities. Supporting MAG means that we get to feel like heroes without leaving the safety and comfort of our armchairs.

"All you have to do to be one of those heroes is bid in their auction. So go on... support MAG this Christmas, and be a hero."

Some of the music world's biggest names have donated signed CDs, posters and other one-of-a-kind musical merchandise to MAG for its Music Beats Mines online auction, kicking off this week.

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Marilyn Manson, Billy Bragg, and Grammy award-winning country superstar Nanci Griffith have all donated to the online charity auction, starting on Thursday 27 November.

The auction goes live on eBay at 9pm on Thursday 27 November and ends at 9pm on Sunday 7 December 2013. The auction shop can be accessed [here](#).

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Notes for Editors

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Alternatively visit the MAG website: <http://www.maginternational.org/music-beats-mines>

MAG is Manchester-based charity that clears landmines, destroys weapons and makes land safe across the world. It shares a Nobel Peace Prize for its work to ban landmines and achieve a safe and secure future for men, women and children affected by armed violence and conflict.

To find out more visit www.maginternational.org.

1. **Auction shop link in full:** <http://www.ebay.co.uk/usr/minesadvisorygroup>

2. **Auction lots include:**

- [SIGNED Godin Montreal guitar from Elbow](#)
- SIGNED GoGo Penguin v2.0 CD (Mercury nominated album)
- RARE Nanci Griffith gig posters
- SIGNED Billy Bragg and The Red Stars Signed Live Bootleg CD
- SIGNED Billy Bragg Live At The Union Chapel DVD
- SIGNED Billy Bragg photos
- SIGNED Stephen Fry More Fool Me book
- SIGNED Steve Harley Anytime CD
- SIGNED electronic production equipment from renowned producer Martin Stimming

And many more.....