

# Note to self...

**This week's cultural must-do list** Ireland on film, electro tango and voodoo at the opera

## Latin music fest

**La Linea**, the London Latin Music Festival, returns to the Barbican from Saturday, kicking off with electronic tango project Bajofondo Tango Club from Buenos Aires while Cuban guitar legend Eliades Ochoa plays on April 20. There's also an accompanying film programme this year. *See Music p91*

## Slave opera

Pegasus Opera Company's brand-new production of Frederick Delius's rarely seen '**Koanga**' features an 86-strong

## Time Out talk

**'It's from the Prime Minister! He's inviting us to his house for a drink! It was dead exciting - have a bit of a livener before you go, wahey!'** Noel Gallagher remembers his Number Ten invitation hitting the doormat at *Supernova Heights* in our celebration of Camden. *See p25*

**My mate booted the fuck out of him for about twenty minutes - and I caused it. Looking back, it was one of those things that I've always known was a part of me'** Director Shane Meadows on the autobiographical violence of his new film, *'This is England'*. *See Film p55*

**'Myra Hindley appeared to me at the end of my bed. I woke in the middle of the night to see her standing there, in a dark coat with a hood.'** Welcome to the nightmarish world of novelist Rupert Thomson. *See Books p46*



**Russian photography** For more than a year, photographer Simon Roberts travelled across Russia capturing remarkable images of the country 15 years after the break up of the Soviet Union. '**Motherland**' is at **Photofusion** from Friday. *See Art p45*

chorus and orchestra in a tale of voodoo and slavery. At Sadler's Wells from Thursday to Saturday. *See Classical p110*

## New York fashion

If you want to catch up with the latest trends

from across the pond - for free - '**New York Fashion Now**' at the V&A from Tuesday features the work from designers including Sean 'P Diddy' Combs and Derek Lam. *See Around Town p37*

## Irish cinema

The **Celtic Heart Festival** at the Riverside Studios from Friday is a celebration of Irish music and film. It features shorts as well as Pat Collins's documentary '**Rebel County**', which looks at the real-life events behind Ken Loach's '**The Wind that Shakes the Barley**' (also showing). There are also shows at the Hammersmith Irish Centre down the road. *See Film: Other Cinema from p75*

## Free London

### Towards Abstraction

A two-day workshop for young teenagers this weekend at the National Gallery inspired by some of their dramatic mythological paintings. Booking recommended. *See Kids p87*

### Surreal Weekend

On Saturday and Sunday the V&A is given over to all things slightly, well, odd, in keeping with its current '**Surreal Things**' exhibition, including a light and shadow show and family workshops. Plus: make sure you bring along an unusual object for its bizarre installation. *See Around Town p37*

### Neil Bartlett 'Skin Lane'

The author reads from his new novel on Thursday at Gay's The Word. The UK's only gay bookstore needs to raise £20,000 or it will be forced to close, so your donations are very welcome. *See Gay & Lesbian p83*