

Blondie weekend at the ICA



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A weekend of special events has been programmed at the ICA to study the legacy, hair and music of one of America's most popular bands.

July 02, 2013, 2:29 pm -- [/EPR NETWORK/](#) -- One of New York's most famous bands will be the focus of a weekend of special events at the Institute of Contemporary Arts in London. Blondiefest: One Way Or Another (5 July to 7 July) will survey and celebrate the cultural legacy of Blondie and their iconic frontwoman Debbie Harry. The ICA is located in the centre of London, a short walk from Blackfriars station. Visitors to London looking for the best deals on hotels should head straight to LondonTown.com, where they will find the latest details for a wide selection of [London hotels](#) to suit all budgets.

As one of the greatest bands to ever come out of New York, Debbie Harry and the band define their epoch – their records and image are synonymous with their time and place. They grew out of punk and new wave, but by the late '70s and early '80s their eclectic musical style, compelling rhythms and seductive pop melodies had propelled them from the fringes to the mainstream. The band, formed by Chris Stein and Debbie Harry, scored dozens of hits and remained one of the most popular and influential bands to emerge from the vibrant 1970s music scene in New York.

Events at Blondiefest include: a question and answer session with two of Blondies' biographers; a screening of TV Party, the late 1970s US cable TV show that featured Debbie Harry and Chris Stein; a screening of David Cronenberg's Videodrome, a disturbing and surrealist techno-horror starring Debbie Harry as well as screenings of other films featuring Harry and Stein; Blondieoke, a karaoke session featuring only songs by Blondie and Debbie Harry; a debate about Debbie

Harry's role as a fashion icon; and an interview with Clem Burke, the band's drummer, who will discuss music and life with Blondie in 1970s New York. For information about this and other events at the ICA, see LondonTown.com, London's most reliable guide for tourists to the city.

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