



Top Kiwi line-up named



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Black Barn Vineyards have secured one of the most sought-after Kiwi line-ups of 2010 with the return of the internationally renowned Fat Freddy's Drop, Ladi 6 and Little Bushman announced for March.

Cellar door and events manager Francis de Jager released details of the gig, confident tickets would be in high demand when they go on sale on Friday.

It was the final concert announcement to round off an impressive summer line-up at the Havelock North winery.

Anika Moa performed to a sold-out crowd in the vineyard's Underground Cellar on Saturday night.

Tickets are selling fast to see The Topp Twins and Hayley Westenra who perform separate concerts in the vineyard's amphitheatre during January.

And spots to see Bic Runga, Dave Dobbyn and Tim Finn as

part of the More FM Winery Tour in February, have sold out.

The same response is expected with the latest announcement which will be a six-hour-long twilight concert on Sunday, March 7.

It will be the first time all three acts have performed on the same stage but it's not the first time they have all worked together.

Hip hop and soul MC, Ladi 6, who last year released her debut solo album, *Time is Not Much*, featured on Fat Freddy's Drop's first studio album, *Based on a True Story*.

The mastermind behind psychedelic rock group Little Bushman, Warren Maxwell, was one of the founding members of Fat Freddy's Drop.

Success followed him when Maxwell left to pursue a new musical direction with another iconic Kiwi band, Trinity Roots.

Little Bushman continues to hit the right note with New Zea-

landers, with crowds flocking to see the moving live performances they've become renowned for.

Ladi 6 won Best Urban/Hip Hop Album at this year's Vodafone Music Awards and was named a finalist in the Best Female Solo artist category.

Fat Freddy's Drop released their second studio album, *Dr Boondigga and the Big BW* earlier this year. The BBC hailed them New Zealand's most critically acclaimed band since The Clean, and Dallas Tamaira one of the most soulful singers of his generation.

This year they took out Best Aotearoa Roots Album at the Vodafone Music Awards.

Adding to the mammoth line-up is the Turnaround Crew, an Auckland collective of DJs including the legendary Manuel Bundy, Cian and Submariner.

INFO

- **What:** Fat Freddy's Drop, Ladi 6 and Little Bushman.
- **When:** Sunday, March 7.
- **Where:** Black Barn Vineyards, Havelock North.
- **Cost:** \$89.50.
- **Website:** www.blackbarn.co.nz



THEY'RE THAT GOOD: It poured down when Fat Freddy's performed at Black Barn Vineyards last summer but that didn't stop the masses of fans from turning out.

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