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SATURDAY
David Gilmour: Live and Exclusive 8.30pm Radio 2
If you have broadband, you can see as well as hear this concert on Radio 2’s website, in their first interactive “visual” broadcast.
THE ALBUM CHART SHOW
Saturday E4
Music rundown.

DAVID GILMOUR: LIVE AND EXCLUSIVE Saturday Radio 2
To mark his new album On an Island, guitarist/singer Gilmour (right) is in concert at London's Mermaid Theatre.

KATHRYN TICKELL'S NORTHUMBRIA Tuesday Five
The pipe virtuoso traces the influences on her music, with collaborator Sting.

JOAN'S JOURNEY TO THE CARIBBEAN Tuesday Radio 2
Second part of Joan Armatrading's journey back to her musical roots.

NICK BARRACLOUGH - WITH VAN MORRISON Wednesday Radio 2
In a rare interview, Van Morrison talks about his new album, Pay the Devil.

SOUTH BY SOUTHWEST
Wed BBC 6 Music/Thu Radios 1 and 2
The annual Texas rock shindig is previewed in Tom Robinson's 6 Music show (Wed). Coverage from Stuart Maconie (Thu Radio 2) and Zane Lowe (Thu Radio 1). Featured acts include KT Tunstall, Goldfrapp, Corinne Bailey Rae, Morrissey, Editors and the Zutons.
You don’t have to be a Pink Floyd fanatic – hello 40-plus readers who still enjoy the smell of incense as you quaff your claret to *Unmaggumama*, I mean you – to appreciate the tremendous talents of David Gilmour (above). Is it not enough that he encouraged Kate Bush? What other pop star sells their home and gives the proceeds to charity? And then there’s that mind-bending mellifluous guitar-maestro factor. Well, he’s just released his first set of new songs, *On an Island*, since Pink Floyd’s 1994 multi-platinum *The Division Bell*, and is about to go on tour. But first, Radio 2 have nabbed him for this exclusive concert with his awesome band, which includes fellow Floydie Richard Wright and Roxy Music guitarist and co-producer of his new album, Phil Manzanera. Expect lots of new songs, but keep the joss sticks burning: there’ll be some Pink Floyd numbers, too.

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