



MARTIN ELBOURNE – Talent Booker, Glastonbury/The Great Escape (UK)

Martin Elbourne is one of the main bookers for Glastonbury Festival, creative director and co founder of the Great Escape in Brighton (Europe's leading showcase festival), co founder of M for Montreal and advisor/consultant to Lovebox, Guilfest, Jersey Live, Redfest and M for Montreal. He is currently involved with a new festival in India called nh7. Guardian newspaper listed Martin as 77th most powerful person in music industry.

Martin first started promoting bands in the late seventies while at Bristol University. He founded the Bristol Recorder (label magazine). In 1982 he co-promoted the first WOMAD festival with Peter Gabriel. In 1983 he moved to London, worked for the Rough Trade booking agency looking after acts including the Smiths and New Order and he began his long involvement with Glastonbury festival. During the 1990's he managed bands, continued working with New Order and increased his Glastonbury involvement to become the main booker. The last decade has seen him focusing on festivals, events and conventions.