

# THE GYPSY QUEENS AND KINGS

**“If it rains in Kjustendil it is the saddest place on earth. But if the sun shines, it sure is paradise”**

This is what **JONY ILIEV** says about the Gypsy quarters of the town where he grew up. Around 150 kilometers South-West of Bulgaria’s capital Sofia, Kjustendil is Bulgaria’s largest Machala, where more than 20,000 Gypsies live. Jony found the atmosphere urban and almost rural at the same time, which lies at the roots of his music. Having grown up in a musicians’ family, Jony’s vocal talents were recognised at a young age. Iliev and his band are now on the forefront of Bulgaria’s new spectacular Roma-Sound.

Jony will be performing in Melbourne as part of The Gypsy Queens and Kings concert for with 20 musicians from all over Europe.

Let Jony Iliev entrance you with his Balkan grooves.

**Sunday 18 January 2009  
the Arts Centre, Hamer Hall**

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