



■ New album – Jazmine Ava and her band on stage

Jazmine's firing on all cylinders

SHE'S the darling of the local music scene already and, this weekend, Jazmine Ava and her band will launch their second album.

This year has been a busy one for Jazmine and her sister, Shaloam, who as Launch Live have promoted a number of music events in Colchester.

That hasn't stopped Jazmine playing and recording with her band, the result of which is *Set Me On Fire*.

Jazmine started her musical career in Brighton, where she released her successful debut album *Sunshine and Shadows* in 2007.

She returned to her Essex home two years ago and set about making a name for herself.

The Jazmine Ava band formed

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the following year and is now made up of Geoff Clark (lead guitar), Ken Flatt (bass), Christopher Daniels (saxophone) and Cameron Morrell (drums).

That year they played the main stage at the Wivenhoe Mayfair and at other venues all over Essex, Suffolk and London, including Charter Hall and the famous Bedford live music venue in London.

The band's ever growing fan base includes Peter Green, of Fleetwood Mac fame, who was at their gig at Charter Hall in June,

as his nephew Joe Green has been a guest saxophone player with the band on a number of occasions. Joe will be one of the guest performers at the album launch this week.

Influenced by a number of different genres such as blues, soul, folk, country and reggae, *Set Me On Fire* is a live album that looks set to capture their original and catchy sound.

Jazmine said: "We want to thank everyone who has given us so much support, and especially my sister Shaloam, who created the astounding artwork for us to really fit the sentiment and the style of the music."

Playing tracks from the album, the Jazmine Ava Band launch *Set Me On Fire* this Friday, at the Riverlodge, Middleborough, Colchester, at 8.30pm. Admission is free.



■ Sister Act – Jazmine Ava and her sister Shaloam