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Africa's Lady Macbeth

VISITORS to London over the next month will have a chance to see performances by up and coming Bath actress Elizabeth Uter when she appears in two shows at the Shaw Theatre in Euston Road.

Akogun is a retelling of the Macbeth legend set in Nigeria, and Elizabeth plays Ajayi, an African Lady Macbeth.

Sixteenth century Nigeria has much in common with the Scotland ruled by Macbeth. Family loyalties were the bedrock of both societies, and witchcraft had a strong influence.

In the reggae musical Rainbow Uprising, Elizabeth is Naomi, the backbone of a tenement community in present-day London.

The words and music of Bob Marley interweave with dance and dialogue to tell the story of one man's struggle to escape from the harsh realities of estate life.

Elizabeth trained at the Webber Douglas Academy and her previous theatre work includes roles in A Streetcar Named Desire and Redemption Song. She has also worked in community drama projects as well as taking film and television roles.

Performances start in London on July 6 (Akogun) and 13 (Rainbow Uprising). For ticket details call 071 388 1394.



□ **DOUBLE BILL:** Bath actress Elizabeth Uter