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Ngawang Lodup In Exile



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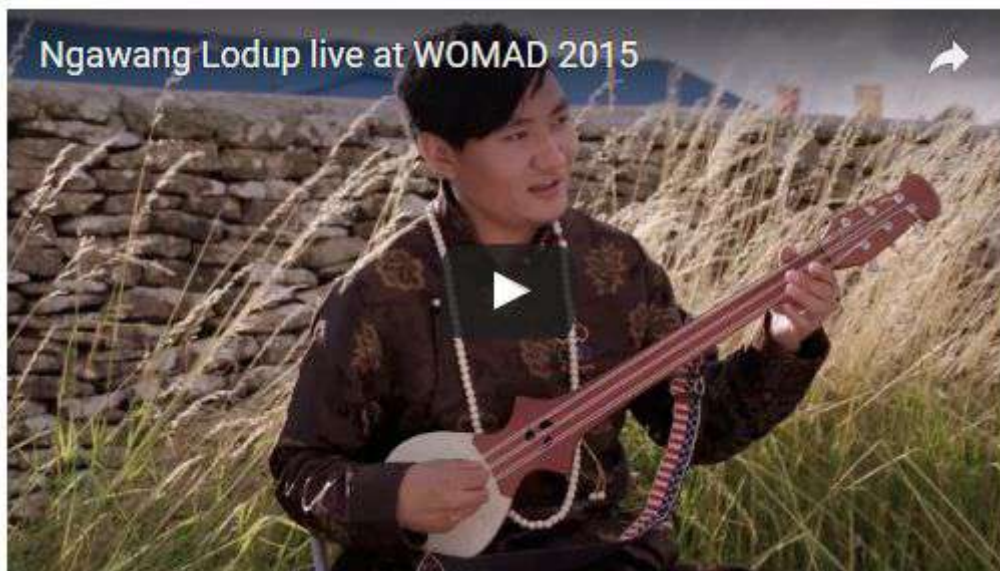
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Over the years we've had a [singing turkey](#), a [Singing Postman](#), even a [Singing Nun](#), now we have a singing monk, well, a former monk. Ngawang Lodup is Tibetan by birth; the youngest son of a family of nomads, he was sent as is the tradition to a monastery. He endured that for seven years from the age of 14, but decided that music and lands beyond were for him rather than hours of meditation or whatever it is that Tibetan monks do.

At great personal risk he fled the country walking across the Himalayas for eighteen days, but he reached Nepal, and somehow made his way to London where ten years later, speaking fluent English and looking nothing like a monk he has been carving out a career as a singer-songwriter.



On November 4, the BBC screened a short documentary about the man and his music; this could have been put out earlier, but it may have been that someone at the Beeb thought twice about doing so with the [state visit](#) of the Chinese leader looming.

At the time of writing although he is on Facebook he does not appear to have an official website, and has only 25 followers on Twitter. If you have eclectic musical tastes or want to try something different, you might like to check him out.