

DCFE student newsletter

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Welcome back and get ready for the events we have in store....

From DCFE's own radio station to planned instore gigs featuring



our home-grown talent @ Tower Records and the long-awaited I ♥ Festival album launch @ Crawdad dy, March 4th..

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SE5C TALENT SHOW: Ben Hayward, PJ6.

Opening the show was rock chick Kelly Marie. The Loughlinstown lass wowed the judges with her own original song. Gemma loved the “smokey tones” while Willy admired the presentation and thought her song was “very original”. Bernie praised Kelly, commenting: “It’s very special when people perform their own work, it’s really cool, fabulous voice”.

Next up was singer Simon Rice with a performance of Extreme’s chart topping hit “More Than Words”. Gemma loved his rendition, saying it was “lovely, it took me back to the nineties”. Willy liked it but had some constructive criticism to offer.

Stand up Comedian Jonathan Foley was one of the most controversial acts of the event. He is the first comedian to perform in DCFE’s talent show. Willy saw potential but thought the material was “controversial and needed work”. Gemma didn’t appreciate the nipple jokes. Berni, with the quote of the night, stated: “It improved my education at the University of Life”...

Deirdre McDermott silenced the crowd with a beautiful original ballad. Many in the audience thought Deirdre had the total package and was a potential winner. The songstress was given the first standing ovation of the show. Gemma was impressed by Deirdre’s “lovely melancholic voice”. Willy would have preferred a standing performance but overall loved her “clear voice and good guitar playing”.

Rockers “Mech Angel” flew the flag for heavy metal. The band tore the house down with their new track “Waiting”, Many of the crowd appreciated their unique style. A shaken Bernie admitted that “that kind of music scares me but I found myself head banging”. Willy loved the performance saying “the lads did really well, good original song”.

Singing a Beyonce song is no easy task for any singer but Jessica Lee’s performance of “Listen” was overshadowed by technical hitches. Jessica has a beautiful voice and performed well under the circumstances. An upbeat Jessica remained positive saying that “it was good fun, it was nobody’s fault”. Bernie was optimistic saying “you have a lovely voice, well done for sticking at it”.

Last but not least and dressed to the nines in a pink glitter number with a Cher wig, was veteran drag queen “Roxy”. The cross-dressing star closed the show with one of the most unusual performances of the event. The crowd loved the original monologue and thought it was bizarre...but in a good way. Gemma praised Roxy saying she was “more woman than Lady Gaga”. Willy was entertained but again criticised the presentation, commenting, “it would have been nice for some direct communication with the audience”. Bernie admired Roxy’s femininity saying “I don’t know any woman like you but I like it, a great way to close the show”.

After a great show and nine great performances, the performers’ fate was now in the hands of the judges. There was mixed feelings in the audience. Although most people backed their classmates’ performances, many were firmly behind Roxy and also felt Jessica deserved another chance, Deirdre McDermott was dubbed the best singer of the night while some thought Mech



Angel deserved to win.

After much deliberation the Judges were ready. Crowd favourite Roxy was announced the winner of this year’s DCFE talent show. A gracious Roxy took to the stage for the second time, and wowed the crowd all over again.

Overall, this year’s competition was deemed a success. Event Organiser Fionnuala Martin was delighted with the performances and thanked her Sound Engineering students for a great show, stating ambitiously that “next years show will be even bigger”.

News + events

Ever wondered just what the design students are doing? Are they playing with toys, or designing them? Here's a quick look at work from the D6 architectural modelling class, showing student James Draper's handiwork. The students also study 3d visualisation on 3rd studio max.



Well done to SE5B on their successful photo exhibition, held on Wednesday January 20th, in our new canteen. The theme of the exhibition was 'A Flash of Inspiration', which the students chose to counteract the negative vibes of recessionary times and January weather. Pat Kiersey opened the exhibition and over 100 photos were on display for a week.



More word on..... The Wave 97.3 FM! College Radio for Dun Laoghaire and surrounding areas.

By Adrian Nolan, RB6 and The Wave 97.3fm Happy New Year to you all and we can now look forward to brighter days and hopefully a year that will be a bit gentler to us than the one just gone. I sit here in me thermals, fingerless gloves on the hands and the flask of tea in sub-zero temperatures freezing me Radio-Valves off!

Well we have been busy sorting things out here in the College Radio Station, we have our frequency 97.3FM, jobs have been assigned, schedules agreed and plans made of which good knows how many we will have to change before going on air for four days, starting February 9th 2010.

We would like to say thanks to the Girls and Guys in PJ6 who have committed to use their expertise with research for our News and Current Affairs Dept., *listen out for newsreaders and presenters from there too!*

But we still need your input for ideas be it College, Community, Arts and Culture, Sports or indeed anything you think may be of interest to the listeners, if you have an idea we want to hear from you our email contact address is at the bottom of this article.

We would like to hear from those in Events & Promotions as we need a big dig out in that department. It is our intention to provide the widest possible range of subjects during the Broadcast run, but we cannot do it without you so get thinking and contacting!

Oh...and the tea-making job I mentioned in the previous article, yep you guessed it...Do you take yours with sugar and milk? 'til the next time....*Catch the Wave 97.3FM!*

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DCFE MUSIC by Brian Conwell SE6: For the last five years, the DCFE Album has showcased and established upcoming talent from all over the country, reaching as high as number 5 in the charts. This year, the Sound Engineering and P.R. classes hope to see it chart even higher. Jennifer Byrne, one of the heads of production, is confident it will break all previous records.

“When you think about it, we’ve got 27 acts on the album, covering metal to hip-hop and all points between. And they’re good, catchy tunes.”

Having heard samples of the album, I’d be inclined to agree. This year, the DCFE Music team set themselves a daunting challenge. In previous years, the college released a single album. This year, however, saw the formation of the DCFE Music label, the setting up of the DCFE Music website and online radio station, and the proposed release of a *double* album, with one CD covering rock and pop, and the other covering dance and electronic music.

With such a wide range of genres featuring on it, the album was likened to a music festival, with “a different stage for each style”. Hence the album’s title, “I ♥ Festival”. Now into its final mastering stages, the album is scheduled for release in the last week of February. But there’s good news for all you music fans who can’t wait that long – the DCFE Music website comes on line very very soon... As well as having band bios and photos, and news on upcoming events, it’s also where you’ll find the online radio station, where you can listen to tracks from the album. To celebrate, DCFE Music have organised not one, but two gigs. The first started with a warm-up gig in the canteen on Thursday, January 28th, at 1pm, featuring talent from the college,

such as Kellie Marie, Jared Flood of Mech Angel and Ciara Madden. The main event kicked off later that evening in Twisted Pepper, Abbey St., at 8pm, and all told it’s an eclectic mix of rock, pop, indie, dance and electro. Don’t forget the big launch night, where we will pack as many bands and dj’s as possible into Crawdaddy. Entry is free with each album bought, and, if the organisers are to be believed, it will be the biggest event of the college year (an appearance at Tower Records is rumoured). Watch this space for details.

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album launch party
2 rooms
bands
dj's

Crawdaddy
Thurs **04.03.10**
free admission
with every album
doors 9pm

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