



Message from the Editor

It's been a challenging enough year across the community media sector with losses in community radio, and the winding down of Dublin Community Television (DCTV). Near Media Co-Op has not been untouched by increased regulatory monitoring and reductions in funding, but we end the year still operating a number of unique community media platforms across North Dublin. During 2013, we continued to provide training, employment and volunteering opportunities for many people, who share the ethos and passion for community media. On the international stage, we held our head high, and attended many important community media events, influencing policy and decision makers alike. 2014 will be no different in the range of challenges that will face us, but your Committee of Management is determined to face each one head-on. Thanks to each and every one of our staff and volunteers, funders and supporters for their commitment to Near Media Co-Op this year. On behalf of the Chair and members of the Committee of Management I would like to thank you for your continued support. Happy Christmas and best wishes for 2014. Dave O'Connor

Near Christmas Party 2013

Near Media Co-op's annual Christmas Party will take place this year on the 20th December at the Chanel Leisure Centre (Parnell's GAA Club), Coolock Village starting at 7pm. All Volunteers and Staff are welcome.

If you have not received an invite please contact Alan at alan@near.ie

New Programmes

Rights Here, Rights Now

A look at social justice and the charity sector with Aileen Lee and Mairead Healy alternate Wednesdays at 6pm. Each programme will feature topical national stories, interviews with charities and a global news section.

Making Waves

Progressive voices and views from the community including working people whose experiences alert them to ways to improve work, social and community life with a special focus on progressive ideas coming from the trade union movement.

Making Waves is presented by Frank Connolly, Stephen Desmond, Ronan Lynch and Lorraine Morris every Sunday at 12.

The Story behind the Song

David Daly every Tuesday night at 6.30pm brings you 28 minutes of the stories behind your favourite music.





BAI Programming on Near FM

The following series are made with the support of the Broadcasting Authority of Ireland Sound & Vision scheme, funded by the Television license fee.



Lovers of Life

4 part documentary series, which captures a snapshot of the Dublin Independent Music scene in 2013. At a time when the music industry worldwide is having to continuously change and evolve to keep pace with new technologies and online distribution facilities this series examines how young independent Dublin musicians are embracing this new musical landscape. This series meets the musicians, the bloggers and journalists, the gig promoters and micro-festival organisers and other people active in the industry.

The series will broadcast @ 8pm as part of the <u>Near FM Sessions</u> programme on Thursday, December 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th. Listen on the dial 90.3fm or online <u>www.near.ie/listen-online</u>.





The Long Way Home

A three part series which pays tribute to the work of the Peter McVerry Trust and its commitment to those most marginalised in society. The series provides the listener with a greater level of understanding of the plight of homelessness in Dublin. This series of programmes is a cultural and historical document to the legacy of the Peter McVerry Trust, which celebrates its 30th anniversary in 2013.

The series will broadcast on December 20th, 23rd & 24th @ 6.30pm. Listen on the dial 90.3fm or online www.near.ie/listen-online.

Pobal Chluian Tarbh

Pobal deonach Gaeilge, ar an saol ón mbliain 1972 agus é mar aidhm aige Pobal a thógáil le Gaeilge. Reachtáileadh iliomad imeachtaí le dha scór bliain anuas dírithe ar idir óg agus aosta. Ón mbliain 1980 i leith reachtáiltear Éigse Chluain Tarbh féile pobail seachtaine- ina mbíonn eagrais eile pobail páirteach. Tá nasc dlúth ag Pobal Chluian Tarbh lenár gcomheagras Gaeilge. Briathar Beo atá ag reachtáil ranganna Gaeilge seachtainiúla le sé bliana déag anuas; le grúpa macarónach Clasach de Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann agus le raidio pobail Near FM, ina nglactar páirt I gcláracha éagsúla ó am go chéile. Le glúnta anuas tá líon mór daoine I gCluain Tarbh go bhfuil an Ghaeilge ar eolas acu agus tá sé mar sprioc ag Pobal Chluian Tarbh deiseanna a labhartha a chruthú."

Craolacháin Déardaoin, Ean 16ú agus 23ú @ 5pm. Listen on the dial 90.3FM or online www.near.ie/listen-online .





Tell us what's up!!!

Have you some event, launch, concert, fair happening at your school, library, community centre on the Northside of Dublin? Would you like your local radio station to cover a couple of hours and to interview the relevant people involved? If so, get in touch with Dorothee@near.ie, 01.8485211.

We would like to
Welcome Paul Sherlock + Ogo
Enwere to Near FM ⁽³⁾

Media Training Workshops

Near FM runs media training for individuals and organisations. If you'd like to get more confident in how to get your message across please get in touch with Dorothee at 01.8485211, dorothee@near.ie.

This is just one **sample workshop** we run for a group of 4 to 8 participants over a half day: **Media Training**: **'How to represent your organisation on air and how to get your message across'**, a presentation of some theoretical background combined with an informal and interactive workshop. **Suitable for:**

- Spokespeople/communications officer of community organisations who would like to be interviewed on near fm
- Organisations whose service users represent the organisation and give interviews on their personal experience with the organisations
- Any individual who would like to gain more confidence in getting his/her message across and who would like to be interviewed on Near FM

Near Online: Basic Computer Training Courses

Do you have a friend, relative, neighbour who would like to know how to write emails, upload a photo from a digital camera or use the internet? Near Online offers you the chance to learn basic computer skills at a low cost. Intermediate courses are also on offer. Contact Ebele or Tina on 01 8671190.

Community Garden

Doras Bui and a couple of other community organisations in the neighbourhood are starting a community garden at the green in the Coolock Development Centre. All volunteers and staff of the Near Media Co-Op are welcome to join and help out. For further info please contact dorothee@near.ie.



A Near FM radio series on environmental sustainability in Tanzania entitled **The Butterfly Effect**, and produced by Paul Loughran & Joseph O'Connor, will be officially launched on Thursday, January 9th in the Irish Aid offices on O'Connell Street. The radio series and accompanying Photo exhibition will be launched by Minister Joe Costello.

More information on broadcast date and time to follow on wwww.near.ie These multi-media activities are funded by the Simon Cumbers Media Fund, an Irish Aid initiative.



What's happening @ NEAR TV

Equal Billing

Near TV has recently completed production on Equal Billing, a 9-part media literacy talk show in which the 9 grounds of discrimination from the Equal Status Act are used as the starting point in analysing films. The programmes are currently in post-production and will be released in the New Year.

CDETB Conference

A short video produced by Near TV about the CDVEC was show at the CDETB Education and Training Strategy Seminar in Dublin Castle at the end of November. You can view this video here:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v =RKNXX NBAu0

Near TV also filmed at the event and videos from the speakers will be available online shortly.

Coolock Historical Walk

How much do you know about the local history of Coolock? A Coolock Historical Walk is a short video of a walk and talk tour where you can find out more.

http://neartv.ie/coolockhistorical-walk/

Farewell We would like to say thank you + goodbye to Linda Newman and Welcome Keith Diaz to Near TV ©



Making Those Skeletons Dance

NEW 2 part novel by JACK BYRNE, a founder of Near Media Co-Operative.

Available for purchase at Near FM reception 625 for both or 615 for one!!!

Or online:

http://skeletonsdance.com/

Upcoming Events

December 18th– International Migrants Day January 27 – International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust February 13 – International Day for Older Persons "We at Near Media Co-Op wish all our staff, volunteers, partners, participants, listeners and all other persons who have enriched our lives with your thoughtful contributions and filled our days with fun, laughter and warm memories.

Our warmest greetings to you and vours this holiday season"

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