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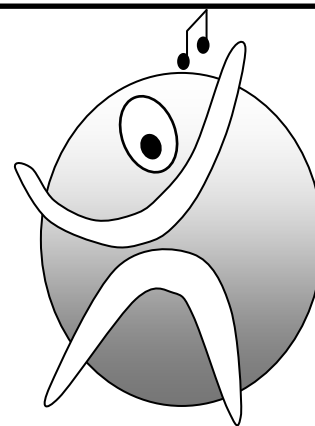
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SARAH FALLON Sarah is completing her 2nd year of theatre studies at Colaist Dhulaigh. She is a regular solo performer in Panto having performed in Sleeping Beauty December 2010, and Variety Shows. In March 2011 she played the lead role of *Barbara* in *Billy the Musical*. She

will be featured as one of the singing trio from Little Shop of Horrors in the NYMT (National Youth Musical Theatre) Showcase on the 25th June 2011. Sarah recently sat her Grade 4 Classical Singing Exams with the RIAM passing with Honours.

DEIRDRE BROWNE Deirdre was awarded the RIAM silver medal & certificate for recital performance in May 2010. She is a regular soloist in the Augustinian Church, Drogheda as well as a choir member with the Augustinians. Deirdre is also a member of the Treadagh Singers in Drogheda, which is a Competition as well as Performance choir. The Treadagh will be going to Rome to sing in October 2011.



NIAMH MCGOWAN Niamh performed in the MSPA's biannual show in the Helix Theatre November 2010. She was selected to perform alongside Jedward and Jessica Cervi in the Christmas 2010 Panto "Cinderella" at the Olympia Theatre Dublin. She was also dancing and singing in a Gala Concert in aid of

the Hospice in February 2011. Niamh played the role of Bielke in "Fiddler on the roof" in the Gaiety Theatre Dublin in March 2011.



LESLEY O'NEIL Lesley is a member of the Dolce Competition Choir who were placed 2nd in the sacred music competition at Cork choral festival. She is a regular soloist at the Dolce's Christmas concerts. Lesley is also a member of the Drogheda Augustinian Church Choir where she is also a regular soloist. Lesley recently sat her Grade 5 Classical

Singing Exam and passed with Distinction.



JOHN LUMSDEN John has just completed his first year with the Skerries Music Studio. He is a member of two choirs. The Alliance Francaise Choir and the Skerries singing group the *Sea Sharps*



CIARA O'ROURKE Ciara is a member of the Rush Musical Society and was in the chorus of "Anything Goes" in March 2011. She is also in the senior choir in Loreto and performed in the annual "Ceol Loreto Gig". Ciara recently sat her Grade 4 Classical Singing Exams with the RIAM passing with Honours



MEGAN MCGLOUGHLIN Meg was one of three Young Skerries Artists to be invited to perform in the Night at the Opera with Jamie Rock in October 2010. She performed the part of Maria from west side story in the MSPA show in the Helix in November 2010. She was a soloist at the Skerries Christmas Mass performing "O holy night". Meg was recently successful in her audition for a lead role in the Skerries Community College musical "Grease" which will be performed November 2011. She will play the part of *Sandy*. Meg received a highly commended certificate at the Wesley Interschool's Singing Competition in March 2011. She recently sat her Grade 4 Classical Singing Exams with the RIAM passing with Honours.



CAOIMHE MCGOWAN Caoimhe performed in the MSPA's biannual show in the Helix Theatre November 2010. She was selected to perform alongside Jedward and Jessica Cervi in the Christmas 2010 Panto Cinderella at the Olympia Theatre Dublin. She was also dancing and singing in a Gala Concert in aid of the Hospice in February 2011.



GREG ROBINS Greg is in his first year at the music studio and is a member of the recently formed singing group in Skerries the *Sea Sharps* who will be performing their first recital in June 2011



LEANNE KELLY Leanne received a Commended Certificate for hr singing at the under 14 singing competition at Newpark Music Festival in May 2011. She was given the highest award of *Distinction* in the Grade Two Singing Exam in the RIAM in Dublin





AEBH KELLY Aebh is a member of the Skerries Youth Folk Group who perform regularly at Mass. She is a member of MSPA and was the singing narrator in their production of Joseph in 2010. Aebh received the coveted High Achiever Award 2010 from the RIAM for classical voice. In March 2011 Aebh was awarded first prize for Classical Singing and also first prize and overall winner's cup for Popular Singing at the Interschool's Music Festival at Wesley College Dublin. She went on to score a high Honours Pass in her Grade 4 Classical Singing Exam at the RIAM. She has recently secured the role of Patty Simcox in the Skerries Community Colleges production of the musical Grease in November 2011. Aebh's wings as a solo performer are stretching this year as she has been requested to sing solo at a number of concerts and private events.



KELLEY BRASSINGTON This is Kelley's first year singing with Fiona. She is a member of MSPA and this year has performed in the Helix, in Charity Shows and Awards Ceremonies with them. She was part of the Halleluiah Choir in the NCH with St Patrick's national School Skerries

SUZANNE KELLY Suzanne is the Leader/Co-ordinator of the Skerries Children's Church Choir and also the Youth Choir from the Skerries Community College. She is a member of the newly formed local choir, *Sea Sharps*



GEMMA GOODEY Gemma attended the studio recently to assist with her breathing. She is one of twelve finalists in this year's "Fingal's got Talent". She has also reached the advanced stages of a rather well know television talent competition.... Watch this space....!



GILLIAN BARRY Gillian is only a few months into her lessons with Fiona. She is a member of Glasnevin Musical Society and a regular performer on the stages of Dublin. She was in the Chorus of Pirates of Penzance, NHC in September 2010, Showstoppers at Christmas in the NCH in September 2010. The Very Best of Gilbert & Sullivan with the RTE Concert Orchestra in January 2011 and in the chorus of Fiddler on the Roof performed in the Gaiety Theatre in March 2011.

SARAH FERGUSON Sarah performed in the Helix along with the MSPA in November 2010. She also is a member of the Loreto Balbriggan secondary school choir who were featured on the "four seasons of peace" DVD. In March 2011, Sarah sang solo at the Emmanuel Concert which took place in the Helix. This same month she performed in the Interschool's under 17 classical singing competition where she received a highly commended award. She was awarded a distinction in her Grade 5 classical singing exam at the RIAM in April 2011.



ERIN HEALY Erin took part in the Interschool's Music Festival in March 2011 and scored 84 marks. She is also a dedicated member to her Senior Choir in her school, Loreto Balbriggan



RACHEL McCARTHY Rachel is a member of the Loreto School Senior Choir. She received a 1st class honours award for popular voice and also 1st class honours award for Classical Voice at the Interschool's Music Festival in Wesley in March 2011. In May 2011 she received a Commended Certificate for Popular Voice at the New Park Music Festival. Rachel was a soloist in the Helix at the Emmanuel Concert, and has been selected as Music Captain for her school for the coming academic year.



JUAN BELTRAN Juan is in his first year at the studio. He is lead singer in a hard rock band called Morax, who perform covers and originals.



ADAM McGEALY Adam was a chorus member with Glasnevin Musical Society in their production of Pirates of Penzance in the NCH October 2010. He was also soloist on Christmas day with St Moor's parish fold group and a solo performer on Grafton Street in aid of Temple Street Chil-



EMILY FENNELL Emily is a member of the Senior Choir in Loreto Balbriggan which has won numerous singing competitions and have made many television appearances.



The Skerries Music Studio has a reputation for producing fine young voices.

Vocal Coach and Singing Teacher Fiona Mullaney studied in Scotland for her teaching degree and specialized in Classical Voice at the Royal Irish Academy of Music in Dublin. She is currently studying for her Masters in Vocal Tuition with Reading University in England, and in ongoing professional development examining Musical Theatre Voice qualities with Ross Campbell of GSA in London.

The Studio specializes in developing young voices aged 10 -16 but also works with third level students in preparation for exams, auditions and those seeking a career in music.

Fiona also coaches adult students, most of whom are members of choirs or musical theatre societies looking to gain some confidence in their voices. She is closely involved in the area of vocal rehabilitation for professional singers who have damaged their voices or who are recovering from surgery looking to get back singing again.