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**DUNDALK SCHOOL OF MUSIC CELEBRATES ONE-YEAR ANNIVERSARY**

***-- Acclaimed Performers Join DSM to Mark First Successful Year with an Evening of Music at Dundalk's Spirit Store --***

**September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2010, Dundalk, Co. Louth** – Dundalk School of Music (DSM), the area's first comprehensive music education and training centre, today announced it will host an anniversary celebration in Dundalk's Spirit Store on Wednesday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at 8pm. All are invited to enjoy performances from friends of the School such as traditional fiddler Gerry O'Connor, Bagatelle's Liam Reilly and Cathal McConnell and more. DSM students and staff will also participate in the evening's entertainment.

In only one year, in excess of one hundred students have passed through the halls of DSM, achieving excellent examination results. To date students have performed in two public recitals. The School is already expanding to cater for the growing demand for these popular classes.

"The growth of the School in this first year has exceeded our wildest expectations," said Patricia Duffy, Director of DSM. "We established DSM with a conviction that Dundalk was ready for a dedicated School of Music, and our success this year shows that the musical tradition in the area is alive and well. We want to take this opportunity to celebrate, to recognise the wonderful work of our staff and students, and to thank everyone who supported us throughout the year."

Tickets are €5, and are available from the DSM or at the door.

DSM offers 25 different courses such as musicianship classes for adults, teens and children; beginner to advanced theory; and Junior and Leaving Cert. exam preparation, as well as group and individual instrument tuition. DSM also prepares students for the Royal Irish Academy of Music and Associated Board of the Royal School of Music practical and theory exams in piano, violin and cello. Uniquely, the school provides advanced training for primary school teachers, a pre-instrumental preparatory course for young children, and various innovative programmes which make the DSM a truly comprehensive centre for music education.

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