



Little Doses

## Little Dose of Snow Patrol in Auntie Annies

ONE of the founding members of Snow Patrol will play an intimate gig in Auntie Annies on Sunday March 11.

Little Doses were formed in Edinburgh by ex-Snow Patrol founding member and bass guitar player, Mark McClelland. The band has been building a reputation for ferocious live shows around Scotland over the past few years and is proud to now release their debut album, Rock Riot Soul.

Written by Ivor Novello recipient McClelland, and drawing heavily from the musical styles and influences of all members, it sounds very Little Doses. Self recorded, self produced and now self released, this is music direct from artist to the fan. Celebrating a true independent ethos, there is no distortion of the music through industry calculation of what is trending, what the kids are buying and no need to pay heed to the lowest common denominator.

This is the record Little Doses wanted to make and how they wanted to sound. Rock Riot Soul will be released on Monday 5 March on Black Ditto Recordings.

Little Doses' sound is built from the ground up, anchored by the pounding rhythm section of Mark McClelland on bass and drummer Michael Branagh (Degrassi). Chris Alderson (The Kays Lavelle), a master in atmospheric and noise, lays warmth and buzz, spills and heartache across the stage. Bringing the big licks is Mike Skinner; his versatile and inventive playing style punctuates the songs and features all across Little Doses' recordings. The five piece band is fronted by Kirsten Ross, described as Catwoman meets Cristina Martinez and an opinionated bundle of trouble.

For influences the band cites such diverse acts as Elbow, The Raconteurs, Sparklehorse and Fleetwood Mac.

# Hanna sisters set to perform charity concert



The Hanna sisters will perform at the Marketplace Theatre on February 25

THE Hanna Sisters are set to perform a one-off charity gig in aid of the Northern Ireland Leukemia Research Fund later this month.

The three musicians will provide the audience with an eclectic mix of traditional, contemporary folk and pop. Accomplished musicians all, they blend their own unique vocal harmonies, haunting violin and whistle playing into an uplifting nights entertainment. Just the thing for a February night!

The Hanna Sisters are Mary, Nuala and Breige from Maghera in Co Armagh. Raised with traditional music, they bring an "otherworldly" aura to a range of their own compositions as well as covers of other artists.

In memory of their father Richard, all profits from the concert will go to Northern Ireland Leukaemia Research Fund - [www.leukaemia-ni.org](http://www.leukaemia-ni.org).

Hot Press Magazine said of the band: "Classy, intelligent pop songs, tastefully blended with their exhilarating Irish traditional musicianship, all topped off with their fine harmonies."

The Hanna sisters released their new EP 'Prayer to Heaven' yesterday. The title track is a song which combines the emotion, vocal harmonies and superb musicianship the Hanna Sisters bring to all their recordings.

The second track is a rendition of the haunting Irish air - fittingly enough for a three piece sister act - Women of Ireland (Mna na hEireann).

To purchase tickets for the charity gig contact the Marketplace Box Office on 028 3752 1821 or book online at <http://www.marketplacearmagh.com/whats-on/the-hanna-sisters>.

For further information visit [www.thehannasisters.net](http://www.thehannasisters.net).

## Do the Walk of Life next month with Dire Straits



Dire Straits will perform in Belfast in March

THE Straits will perform at the Ulster Hall on Monday March 5.

The band was formed by former members of Dire Straits Alan Clark, Phil Palmer and Chris White - due to the substantial demand to hear the band's much love catalogue of great songs.

The Straits are comprised of some of the world's top session players to form a sensational live band.

During Dire Straits' career they sold 120 million albums worldwide, received three BRIT Awards, four Grammys and two MTV Music Awards.

Members of the band include: Alan Clark, formerly a member of Dire Straits and the

longest standing in today's Straits line up; Phil Palmer, who joined the band on the "On Every Street" tour playing the guitar; Chris White, who provided, and is best known for, his saxophone sound with Dire Straits; Steve Ferrone, acknowledged by his peers as one of the world's greatest drummers; Terence Reis, who was handpicked as the front man for The Straits for his voice and guitar technique; Mick Feat, an internationally-renowned bassist; and newbie Jamie Squire, who at just 24 years old is the youngest in the line-up.

Tickets go on sale on Thursday November 24 at 9am.

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**1pm - 9pm**

## The Material Girl is back

MADONNA is having a huge party and everyone's invited!

The Material Girl will drop by Dublin on July 24 as part of her World Tour which begins in May.

The announcement of Madonna's 2012 World Tour follows an extraordinary week which, along with Madonna's Bridgestone Super Bowl halftime performance saw the release of Madonna's new single, "Give Me All Your Luvin" from her highly anticipated new album MDNA on Live Nation Entertainment/Interscope Records - scheduled to be released on March 26.

In the course of her phenomenal career, Madonna has a record breaking 37 Top 10 hits on Billboard's Hot 100 Singles Chart along with a record breaking 40 Number 1's on Billboard's Dance/Club Play Song Charts. No other act has more Top 10's on the Hot 100 or Number 1's on the Club Chart. Madonna has sold over 300 million albums and holds the record for the most successful tour by a solo artist in history. She is a seven time Grammy winning singer,



Madonna

songwriter, producer and Rock & Roll Hall of Fame inductee. Her last CD "Hard Candy," debuted at Number 1 in 37 countries including US, UK, Canada, France and Australia. Madonna 2012 World Tour is the Material Girl's 9th Tour. Her first tour was the 1985 Virgin Tour.

Icon is Madonna's official fan club and Lifetime Legacy members of

Icon received first access to tickets and VIP Packages from February 7. Registered free Icon members will have the opportunity to purchase an "Icon Live Pass," which gives them access not only to ticket & VIP Package pre-sales, but also to a tour devoted forum and an exclusive tour gift. Sign up for a free Icon membership at [Madonna.com](http://Madonna.com) today.

In Dublin tickets will go on sale on Friday February 17 at 8am. Ticket prices will range from 54.65 including booking fee through 141.00 including booking fee and will be available at Ticketmaster outlets nationwide. By Telephone (24 Hour): ROI - 0818 719 300, Northern Ireland - 0844 277 44 55, Book On Line: [www.ticketmaster.ie](http://www.ticketmaster.ie) <<http://www.ticketmaster.ie>> Tickets are limited to eight per transaction.

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