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Sarah Miller receiving award from Sean Coughlan CEO Social Entrepreneurs Ireland (left), John Kennedy Managing Director Diageo Ireland and Batt O'Keefe Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Innovation (right)

REDISCOVER FASHION WINS THE ARTHUR GUINNESS FUND AWARD

On the 20th of April Rediscover Fashion was officially announced as one of the ten Arthur Guinness Fund awardees 2010 at a special awards ceremony, which was held in the Guinness Storehouse.

Sarah Miller, Environmental Projects and Rediscovery Centre Manager, and Carrie Ann Moran, Fashion Director, with Ballymun Regeneration Limited established Rediscover Fashion in 2008. The aim of the Rediscover Fashion project is to demonstrate the potential for textiles recycling, reuse and recovery in Ireland and highlight the environmental, social and economic benefits. The project seeks to raise the profile of recycled, reconstructed and repurposed clothing. Rediscover Fashion will generate a steady revenue stream from the sale of 100% recycled and ethical clothing line, which will

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be reinvested in training, materials and job creation. Rediscover Fashion items and an alteration service will be available at the Eco Store in June 2010.

The Rediscover Fashion Project is just one of a number of exciting projects that BRL have been developing in anticipation of the Rediscovery Centre being built which also includes a very successful furniture recovery project and paints recycling programme.

Rediscover Fashion will launch their Spring/Summer collection at the Sustainable Fashion show in IKEA on the 3rd of June. Details for this event can be found at www.rediscoverycentre.ie or www.ikea.ie.



Carrie Ann Moran, Fashion Director, with one of her recycled designs

Another housing scheme complete

The 1st phase of Balcurris housing scheme consisting of 22 units is now complete and handed over. The first group of families have moved into their new homes with the remainder of the families moving in the coming weeks. The final handover is expected to take place by the end of May.



We would like to take the opportunity to offer our best wishes to all the families who have moved into their new homes.



John and Margaret McKenna pictured outside their new home with Connell McGlynn from Dublin City Council

Tidy Towns Environmental Grants available Apply now!

To encourage this years Ballymun Tidy Towns competition, BRL is providing a small environmental grant for groups of local residents to help implement Tidy Towns related environmental projects in their area. All that is required is a small description of the project, the participants, cost and the plans for its future management.

Please contact Roger (01 222 8526) for more information.

axis events

This May, axis welcomes the return of their writer in residence, Dermot Bolger with his new play 'The Parting Glass'. After it's three week run in Ballymun it embarks on a tour to other venues around Ireland and abroad to New York. axis are also delighted to have two local theatre groups taking to the stage, Heads on Stage with 'The Passion of Jerome' and Holding Court Theatre Group with 'Finders Keepers'.

The Passion of Jerome by Dermot Bolger

Dates 4th–8th May // **Time** 8pm // **Tickets** €15/12 // **Company** Heads on Stage

Irish preview before heading to the Acting Irish International Theatre Festival in the United States

Jerome Furlong is a successful businessman whose life has been carefully constructed from layer upon layer of lies. That is until one night in a squalid Ballymun Tower flat that he is using to have an affair, he is suddenly faced with a supernatural power beyond his understanding and control. Intrigued? Come along and see for yourself what really happens on the 12th floor, if you have the courage.

The Parting Glass a new play by Dermot Bolger

Dates 18th–22nd May // **Time** 8pm // **Tickets** €12/10 // **Company** axis



The Parting Glass directed by Mark O'Brien and performed by Ray Yeates

"Thierry Henry is there to stretch out his hand for two illicit flicks of his wrist, one to stop the ball crossing the by-line, the second to tee it up for a flick across the box for Gallas to score".

Where were you when our World Cup dreams were dashed?

Eoin was at the heart of the drama, Stade de

France, November 18th 2009. Reunited with Mick and Shane, the three amigos on that fateful night.

After emigrating to Germany to find work during the 80's, Eoin made a new life for himself with the help of his wife Frieda and son Dieter. Now he returns to an Ireland that has boomed and bust.

"Where Dorset Street has become so posh that all the women have turned blonde and the girls buying John Player Blue at Hardwick Street flats have a different pair of pyjamas to wear to the shops every day".

'The Parting Glass' is a one-man show, one man's journey through Ireland's turbulent economic climate, love, friendship and family.

HUNGRY FOR A BARGAIN?

ENJOY THE DINNER THEATRE SPECIAL FOR SELECTED NIGHTS AT 7PM. GET YOUR TICKET FOR THE SHOW AND A 3-COURSE MEAL SERVED IN AXIS' CAFÉ FOR ONLY €20.

Finders Keepers by Peter Sheridan

Dates 25th–29th May // **Time** 8pm // **Tickets** €12/10 // **Company** Holding Court Theatre Group



The coming of age story of Pancho

'Finders Keepers' is the coming of age story of Pancho, his best friend Redser and their urgent young lives spent on the Royal Canal.

Set in North Inner City Dublin, against the background of the declining Dublin Docklands of the early 1970's, the play gives an insight into the larger than life world of teenage imaginations.

For booking and information on the above contact 01 883 2100 or log onto www.axis-ballymun.ie

Ballymun Biodiversity week events 2010 (15th – 22nd May)

As part of the process of developing a new Ballymun there is a need to integrate the new buildings, streets and other developments with the natural environment, creating new habitats and ecosystems. This is a key objective of the Ballymun Masterplan, and the new Ballymun Biodiversity Action Plan presents even more opportunities for supporting biodiversity in the area over the next 5 years.

The aim of promoting biodiversity week in Ballymun is to build on the work that has been done to date, to add to the character of the town by landscaping in a way that is attractive to the public, providing essential amenity areas and habitat and feeding areas for wildlife such as song birds, bats and the insects that they feed on. A study of the biodiversity of Dublin City gardens showed that they are teeming with songbirds, ladybirds, water beetles and some even have foxes and bats.

Biodiversity provides the basic ingredients for life – our food and our clothing, our health and our relaxation. Like us, animals and plants need homes and particular conditions for their survival. Nature is not just in the countryside – it's all around.

See the following list of activities taking place in Ballymun during Biodiversity week.



Saturday 22nd May

Youth biodiversity event takes place in Coultry, run by GAP with special guests Dale Treadwell & Eric Dempsey.

Thursday 20th May

'Birds and their Habitats' lecture takes place in Marewood Court/Silloogue Neighbourhood Centre run by GAP. Please contact GAP (01 862 5846) for more information about these events or to book a place.

Bat watching event in Ballymun – please contact Roger Warburton (01 222 8526) for more information.

Butterfly identification session aimed at young people takes place in Coultry Park with DCC & GAP.

Numerous other exciting biodiversity events will take place within the new Poppintree Park when it opens later in the summer.

Please also see our info points in the Ballymun library and Civic Centre.



The Ballymun Biodiversity Action Plan is available to download from the BRL website (www.brl.ie) or you can contact GAP @ 01 862 5846 or Roger Warburton @ 01 222 2526.