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European Song Festival

For People with an Intellectual Disability

JUNE 27 - 29 2012



COPE Foundation, in partnership with EASPD and the National Federation of Voluntary Bodies, is to host the European Song Festival for People with an Intellectual Disability in Cork City, Ireland on June 27, 28 & 29, 2012.

EUROPEAN SONG FESTIVAL GENERAL INFORMATION

The European Song Festival (ESF) is an International Festival of Music and Arts for People with an Intellectual Disability. The Festival will be hosted by COPE Foundation in Cork City, Ireland between Wednesday June 27th and Friday June 29th 2012. As part of the ESF there will be:

- An International Song Competition
- Non-Competitive Performances
- Workshops
- Conference
- Celebratory Dinner

Application forms for these events will be available on our website www.esf2012.eu

INTERNATIONAL SONG COMPETITION

This event will be the flagship competition of the three day festival and will take place on Thursday evening June 28th, 2012. The International Song Competition is open to Choirs, Groups and Soloists from around the World. Entries will be permitted to perform one piece no longer than 5 minutes. Entries will be required to submit a DVD of their proposed performance with a completed application form to the Festival Director by Friday 18/11/2011. There will be a maximum of 20 entries selected from all entries by an expert jury for this competition. Successful entries will be notified of selection by Friday 20/01/2012. A full live orchestra will accompany successful entries.

Please Note:

- Applicants will be selected to ensure the maximum number of countries are represented in the International Song Competition.
- Applicants are also invited to participate in non-competitive performances.

NON-COMPETITIVE PERFORMANCES

Non-competitive performances will take place in designated festival performance areas over the course of the festival. Non-competitive performances are open to:

- Dance groups
- Singers
- Drama groups
- Poets
- Other art forms.

If you would like to participate in this category please forward an application form for **Non-Competitive Performance** to the Festival Director by Friday 18/11/2011. All applications are welcome for consideration.

WORKSHOPS

A series of workshops will be arranged for attendees at the 2012 European Song Festival. Details of our workshops will become available on our website www.esf2012.eu

CONFERENCE

A two day international conference on The Arts and Intellectual Disability will take place on Wednesday & Thursday 27 & 28 June 2012.

Day 1: International and National speakers. **Day 2**: Attending performances, competitions and workshops.

Details of speakers will be available on www.esf2012.eu

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CELEBRATORY DINNER

A celebratory dinner will take place on Friday Evening June 29th for Performers & Friends in the Silver Springs Moran Hotel, Cork City.

COPE FOUNDATION

ABOUT US

COPE Foundation caters for 1800 children and adults with intellectual disability through its systems of early intervention, schooling, training, adult day services, supported employment, housing, information and advice at 60 locations throughout Cork city and county and employs over 800 staff.

Over the years, a large range of services, facilities and expertise has been developed by COPE Foundation to provide the comprehensive services that are available today. National and International contacts have played a vital role in this, through the exchange of knowledge, expertise, ideas, methods and experience. Much has been accomplished through the years, nevertheless, the Foundation is determined to ensure that further progress is made during the years ahead to meet the unmet and changing needs of persons with intellectual disability in our care, and that all clients receive the level of support and service to which they are entitled.

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Festival Highlights Include

- International Song Competition
- Non-Competitive Performances
 - Workshops
 - Conference







If you are interested in participating in one or more areas of this festival we would love to hear from you and put you on our mailing list. Please contact the Festival Director on:

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