



## **Coastival II – Yorkshire goes to the Seaside!**

### ***Media Release***

# ***A jazz day for everyone***

## ***Line-up appeals to all music lovers***

**Scarborough arts event Coastival has lined up a jazz day to appeal to keen jazz fans and general music lovers alike.**

Four fantastic award-winning acts, led by headliner Claire Martin, will ensure Coastival Saturday goes with a swing.

Claire was acclaimed as the best ever British jazz singer by Jazz Times magazine and her evening concert promises to be one of the highlights of Coastival 2011.

Coastival runs from 18 to 20<sup>th</sup> February and the jazz day will be held at the Spa Ocean Room on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> February.

Claire Martin has performed all over Europe, Asia and America and collaborated with musical luminaries including Martin Taylor, John Martyn and Stephane Grappelli. As well as performing with her trio and in an intimate duo with Richard Rodney Bennett, Claire is also a featured soloist with the Halle Orchestra, the Royal Liverpool

Philharmonic Orchestra, the BBC Big Band and the BBC Concert Orchestra.

She will be supported on Saturday evening by A Tribute to Atlantic Jazz, a new ensemble put together by saxophonists James Russell and Jim Corry. It pays tribute to the record label that, in the 1960s and early 70s, embraced the period of 'soul jazz', and with it a new generation of jazz musicians emerging at this time. A Tribute to Atlantic Jazz honours these musicians and the musical legacy they left. The Claire Martin concert begins at 7pm at the Spa Ocean Room.

Earlier, jazz day kicks off at 2pm with a concert by Dennis Rollins' Badbone & Co. The award-winning trombonist Dennis Rollins, well-known on the British and international jazz scene, is celebrated for his versatility and unique approach to the underrated trombone. His mighty sound can be heard to full effect in his award winning band Badbone & Co's repertoire of groove-based, funky dance music with jazz overtones.

Dennis Rollins' Badbone & Co is a classy, high-energy and engaging act that has released three critically-acclaimed albums including Big Night Out! which led to the band winning the BBC Jazz Award for Best Band in 2006. From the blues to hip hop, funk to soul, the popularity of this band just grows and grows.

Dennis Rollins' Badbone & Co will be supported by award-winning vocalist Sarah Ellen Hughes. Sarah has established herself as a

notable presence on the London jazz scene and beyond and has received international recognition, winning first prize at the 2010 International Jazz Singing Competition 'Jazz Voices,' competing against entrants from Japan, USA and all over Europe.

Championed by distinguished vocalists Claire Martin and Ian Shaw, Sarah has recently released her first album: 'Darning the Dream' to rave reviews. It was selected as UK Jazz Radio's 'CD of the month' for a record three months.

Coastival organiser Wendy Clews said: "We have a fantastic line-up for jazz day at Coastival this year. There is a lot for jazz purists to enjoy and plenty for general music-lovers too.

"Tickets for all the shows are selling extremely well. Claire Martin is always a big draw, wherever she plays and Dennis Rollins' will provide some fantastic, feel-good music for a Saturday afternoon in Scarborough."

Tickets for Claire Martin are £15 and for Dennis Rollins' Badbone and Co are £10. A special jazz day ticket to see both concerts is just £20. Tickets are available from The Spa or via the Coastival website at [www.coastival.com](http://www.coastival.com)

Thousands of people are expected to enjoy more than 100 events, many of them free, during Coastival from 18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> February.

A full programme of music, theatre, comedy, dance, arts, entertainment and children's activities will feature.

Attractions range from music headliners Levellers and 17Hippies to comedy from Count Arthur Strong, Shappi Khorsandi and Jon Richardson, the jazz day and a vast array of other attractions, events and installations, as well as events for children in Rollercoastival. An Essential Guide is available giving full details of all the acts, events and attractions that will feature. It is on sale now for just £2 (£1 when bought with tickets online).

The Essential Guide is available from Scarborough Library, the Tourist Information Centres, Woodend Creative Industries Centre, Scarborough Arts Gallery, The Rotunda, MOJO's music café and also by contacting Coastival on 01723 384545 or via [www.coastival.com](http://www.coastival.com) or by email at [info@coastival.com](mailto:info@coastival.com)

Website visitors can also sign up to receive the latest updates on Coastival during the build-up to the festival.

You can also sign up to follow Coastival on twitter via <http://twitter.com/#!/coastival> or join the fun on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/?ref=logo#!/group.php?gid=32161078693> or by searching for Coastival from within Facebook.

In 2009 a total of more than 9,000 people attended the 96 events that were held during the first ever Coastival, bringing an estimated £175,000 boost to the local economy at a quiet time of the year.

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