

## Introducing your Fair City Blues 2017 DJ Team:



### DJ Yari

representing the Fair City of Dublin



Maria hails from Asturias in Spain. She started dancing in Ireland, where she moved more than four years ago and joined our (then tiny) blues scene. Her favourite musical genres range from rock to metal to blues (of course!). Maria's music knowledge is vast and her taste is excellent. The Dublin scene is very lucky to have her as one of the main DJs at our weekly and monthly socials.

Maria loves to dance blues because well... every time she hears the music, she just gotta move her hips! Trust us - her tunes will make you shake it too! She is our very own Spanish treasure!

### DJ Tracy

representing London, England



Tracy practically eats, sleeps and breathes blues. With a music collection that's as wide as it is deep, she'll always have a surprise for you. As a DJ her mission is simple: to bring the party wherever she goes and have you up and dancing with a big smile on your face. Tracy's love for blues shines through in every set and her style is unmistakeable. (If it reaches deep into your soul, she'll play it.)

She's been DJing at Fair City Blues since the very beginning, and we are so glad to welcome her back!

## DJ Malcolm

representing Glasgow, Scotland



Malcolm is REALLY EXCITED to be coming back to Dublin for Fair City Blues. He hasn't missed one yet, and the organisers are delighted to have the pleasure of his company and his tunes yet again!

Selecting music at blues events across Europe (and beyond) has given him the experience to pick the right tunes for the right moment.

He loves playing great music and seeing people really get into a groove. Give him some love on the dance floor!

## DJ Sorcha

representing the Fair City of Dublin



Sorcha was dancing for a long time, assuming that the people who DJed for dancers were super into music. But after someone 'ah go on'ed her into DJing locally, she realised that putting together just the right mix of danceable songs can make you super into music! Since getting into it, she's attended DJ classes at international events, and has played her fabulous tunes at our socials a bunch of (super fun) times!

She's really looking forward to DJing for an international crowd for the first time, and we can't wait for you to hear her tunes!

## DJ Shell

representing Edinburgh, Scotland



Shell originally hails from Perth, Australia but now calls Edinburgh her home, where she has been heavily involved in the lindy and blues scenes since she caught the dancing bug. She was one of the founding members of the Edinburgh blues scene, involved in its early formation in 2006.

She has DJed her way across the UK and Europe and even the occasional set in Australia and the US, especially wherever you find the blues. Shell has a love for all things swing and blues and is always seeking out new tunes to get you inspired, while never

forgetting the songs that are firm dancing favourites. Expect well constructed flowing sets with a variety of music to keep you entertained. Shell has been known to keep tired dancers on the floor way after they promised they would go to bed!

## DJ Dmitrij

representing Vilnius, Lithuania



Seven years ago Dmitrij was one of the first Blues dancers in Lithuania, which meant that he had to start DJing from day one! Since then he's been playing regularly in all local blues nights as well as at international events.

"Blues is very diverse, that is why I never stop in searching for something new in blues music. This not only surprises the dancers but also develops their creativity." Dmitrij's specialty are early morning afterparties where those, who are still awake, can dance their hearts out to something familiar, crazy and fun!

## DJ Sigga

representing Edinburgh, Scotland



Making her Fair City Blues debut, Sigga (Iceland's greatest export since Bjork) is a blues dancing DJ, teacher and organiser in her adopted home scene of Edinburgh.

She has an infectious passion for blues music, which she loves to spread around. You can expect solid rhythm and flowing sets keeping the party going into the late night.

We can't wait to dance to her flow-y, dreamy tunes!

## DJ Laura

representing Milan, Italy



Co-founder, organizer, teacher and resident DJ of the Milan blues scene, Laura fell in love with blues dancing three years ago after having loved the music for more than 20 years. She's been traveling ever since to train, dance and DJ around Europe and the USA.

She's always been a music junkie and loved being in charge of the playlist as a teenager at school and at house parties. She loves DJing both trad and alt-blues, the challenge of transitioning from one genre to another, from playful, energetic, "let's get this party started" to slow, emotional, intense songs, with

the aim of taking dancers on a journey. We are so happy to have her DJ at Fair City for the second year in a row!



## DJ Tiarnán

representing the Fair City of Dublin



Tiarnán is a swing and blues dancer and DJ from Dublin. He's excited to be based in his home town after spending a few years in New York and Berlin, and to be part of its lovely dance community.

With over 10 years on the scene in Europe and the US, he tries to emphasise fun on the dance floor, not taking the song selections or moves too seriously. He's a fan of a lot of musical genres, a karaoke nut, and is as likely to be found listening to show tunes as soul.

(He loves Barnum statements and finds describing himself in the third person to be very disquieting.)

*To wrap up the weekend, all Sunday party DJ slots will be filled by our awesome teaching team! Whoop!*

*You know those guys and gals are passionate about blues music and, most importantly, about making everybody dance and have a good time!*