

# ***TUNING IN for TUESDAY'S CHILD***

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**EMBARGO THURSDAY NOVEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup> 11.30**

**NEWS CONFERENCE**

**VENUE: Judes – 451 Ormeau Road Belfast**

**TIME: 11.30**

The Belfast-based children's charity Tuesday's Child invites you to the above news conference when it will present its fund-raising album featuring some of the biggest names in Irish music.

Among those who have donated their music to the album are **Snow Patrol, Ronan Keating, Westlife, Brian Kennedy, Mary Black, The 4 of Us** and **Duke Special**.

The double CD featuring thirty-one tracks will go on sale across Northern Ireland next week, and the charity has received many messages of support linked to this project.

*Gary Lightbody of Snow Patrol: "I became an uncle for the first time around the same time we were asked to contribute to this album. Upon my first hold of my niece Honey, I soon realised that without my sister and my brother-in-law she would be helpless...So many children are born without the protection and love that my little niece has, and that is why charities like this are so important."*

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*Ronan Keating: "As a father of three wonderful kids I am lucky to be able to provide them with what I hope is a great start in life. Every child deserves nothing less. So, I hope that this Tuesday's Child album can help those who deserve it the most."*

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Tuesday's Child is a small Belfast-based charity, which supports projects in keeping with the United Nations Convention of the Human Rights of Children. All money raised from sales of the CD will go directly to supporting such projects.

Speaking at today's launch Orla Sheehan of Tuesday's Child said:

*Orla Sheehan: "I suppose this project began more in hope than expectation, but it has grown into this wonderful album we present today. I am overwhelmed by the generosity of the artists, songwriters and supporting musicians and the warmth and compassion in their messages of support. I also want to say a special thank you to Jon Astley, Richard O'Connell, Enda Walsh and Helen Sheehy. Their help made all of this possible. We are a small charity, but the potential of this project is that it allows us to think of being able to do more – helping children do their best to be their best."*

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The track ***Tuesday's Child*** is written and performed by the Belfast singer/songwriter Gerry Creen.

*Gerry Creen: "I'm delighted and privileged to be part of this fantastic Tuesday's Child project. I am very proud of the song, which has "the rights of the child" as its central theme, and I just hope this album that we're all part of will raise awareness and much needed funds for children everywhere. That's what it's about, and that's why we're involved."*

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A full play list is attached.

A number of the contributors to the album will be available for interview at Thursday's launch, as will Orla Sheehan of Tuesday's Child.

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