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Author Mary Farrell addressing the audience during the Soundwaves Showcase event at Portrush Town Hall. WK47-56TM

## Soundwaves Showcase at Portrush

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**PORTRUSH** Town Hall provided the setting for the Showcase event, part of the Soundwaves Writing Competition facilitated by Portstewart author Mary Farrell and Steve Cawte, the Editor of Impsired Press.

The first year of the competition, run solely for writers on the Irish North Coast, entries were invited on the theme of 'Life on the North Coast.'

Of the many submissions received, 10 were chosen by an International Panel of Judges, all based outside Ireland; from the UK, United States and South Pacific regions.

All of the judges were so impressed by the standard of the entries that they have now expressed a desire to visit the North Coast themselves.

The Showcase section of the competition was judged by a Northern Irish panel of three - Bernie McGill, the well-known local author; Cathy Carson, a playwright and performer of the one-woman show Becoming Marvellous and Paul Hutchinson, writer, mediator, Tenx9 performer and an ex-director of Corrymeela.

Two trophies were presented on the night. One for The Best Written Piece, chosen by the International Panel, went to Kerriann Spears who lives in Coleraine.

Meanwhile the Prize for The Best Performance Piece, chosen by the local Panel on the night, was presented to Jimmy Milliken who lives outside Ballycastle.

All 10 pieces are now guaranteed publication in the Impsired Online Magazine, and the subsequent Print Edition.



Members of the audience pictured during the Soundwaves Showcase event at Portrush Town Hall. WK47-52TM



Author Mary Farrell with judges Bernie McGill, Cathy Carson and Paul Hutchinson pictured during the Soundwaves Showcase event at Portrush Town Hall. WK47-49TM



Members of the audience pictured during the Soundwaves Showcase event at Portrush Town Hall. WK47-51TM



Writers pictured during the Soundwaves Showcase event at Portrush Town Hall. WK47-48TM



A writer pictured during the Soundwaves Showcase event at Portrush Town Hall. WK47-54TM



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One of the writers pictured during the Soundwaves Showcase event at Portrush Town Hall. WK47-53TM



Author Mary Farrell, organiser of the Soundwaves Showcase event at Portrush Town Hall. WK47-50TM