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Reviewing a week of musical welcome



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When I arrived at the Powerplant on Saturday, local Amy Seeley was in the process of swooning the seated crowd with her carefully crafted, and often sorrowful, folk ballads. Seated alone on stage, and switching from one keyboard to the next between songs, the young singer/songwriter had a strong stage presence that held her audience captive throughout her set. After her performance, some of the crowd

shuffled out, while some younger scene-happy students replaced them, settling in as Toy Singers took to the stage. The local quintet, boasting a plethora of instruments, worked everything into their show, from an organ and xylophone to a harmonica and trumpet. Their sound, however, was far from original, especially in what is an already talent-ridden, indie-folk genre. Despite playing a strong Shins cover, the band was unable to get the sedate crowd to do much more than shift in their seats.

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Sunday night at the Dinwoodie Lounge proved to be a music-rich and chuckle-provoking evening. Radio Vacana opened, but really, everyone-especially one adventurous soul-was waiting anxiously for the reggae-pop group Bedouin Soundclash. When they started their set, Bedouin made people want to get up and dance so much so that one audience member felt compelled to jump on stage during "When The Night Feels My Song" and honour the rest of the crowd with her dancing before thankfully being removed by security.



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With crashing symbols, loud, catchy beats and a rambunctious stage presence, The 88 opened Thursday night's show in a big way. The upbeat tempo of the openers left the crowd abuzz and anxiously awaiting more inspired sounds. True to expectations, Matt Costa delivered and left few unsatisfied. Matt definitely covered all his bases as he engaged the crowd with everything from bouncy tunes that made many break out their dancing shoes, to slower, rousing, acoustic melodies. The high point of the show, though, came when Matt broke into Sunshine, which turned into a lively sing-a-long with the





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has several scholarship competitions with fall deadlines.

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- For additional information on these and other University of Alberta Scholarships please visit our website www.registrar.ualberta.ca/awards or the Student Awards Office at 1-80 Students' Union Building.

Jason Lang Scholarship

The Jason Lang Scholarships were created in honor of Jason Lang, a 17 year old Alberta high school student who was killed in a school shooting. These \$1,000 scholarships are designed to reward the outstanding academic achievement of Alberta postsecondary students who are continuing into their second, third, or fourth year of studies.

Applicants must be Alberta residents who have achieved a minimum GPA of 3.2 on 24 units of course weight in their previous year of studies (September to April).

Students can submit their applications on-line at www.registrar.ualberta.ca/awards. The deadline to apply is 15 September 2006.

University of Alberta Undergraduate Academic Scholarship Competition

The Undergraduate Academic Scholarship Competition recognizes and rewards students for superior academic achievement (minimum GPA of 3.5) on a full normal course load taken at the University of Alberta during the September to April academic year. Applicants must be returning to full-time studies in September 2006 to be eligible for these scholarships.

There are approximately 300 awards available through this competition. The awards range in value from \$500 to \$4,000 with some being Faculty specific and some open to students in any Faculty.

Students can submit their applications on-line at www.registrar.ualberta.ca/awards.

The deadline to apply is 30 September 2006.

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Applicants must be Canadian citizens or living in Canada; have been born between October 2, 1982 and October 1, 1988; and have received an undergraduate degree before attending Oxford (except medical students).

Applications are available at the Student Awards Office. The deadline to apply is 1 October 2006

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There are approximately 50 awards available through this competition. The awards range in value from \$500 to \$12,500 with some being Faculty specific and some open to students in any Faculty.

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