



FRANCESCA DEVALENCE

The long overdue newsletter...

You know that job in your life that you keep putting off and putting off, and then you suddenly realise it's been years and you are totally consumed by guilt, and the thought of doing the job is just too overwhelming?

Well... this newsletter is my job finally getting done. I hope it's not too late and you haven't completely forgotten who I am. Thank you to those who have been asking of my music and shows on facebook, checking into my website, and emailing me. Your support makes me feel wonderful.

In tackling this seemingly massive project (all borne from 'in the head' dilemmas), friends made a suggestion to let you, the reader, choose if you wanted to follow my progress or not, so please if you're interested in reading my newsletter once a month, feel free to read away. If not, there is an unsubscribe button below. Yes, it will hurt my feelings a bit (who doesn't feel that way from rejection) but I will prefer your honesty in the end.

So a quick summary of what I've been up to musically... After a good year of songwriting, I began recording some new songs last year with ARIA-award winning producer and all-round-top-bloke Paul McKercher. We finally will finish those songs next month. The long wait in between was due to me studying my Masters at the Conservatorium full time last year. Everything fell by the way-side but it was worth it in the end for top marks and a year of inspirational learning. For those interested, my newly acquired Masters in Vocal Pedagogy contributes to my day job as a vocal specialist at a tertiary music institute, high school, and my own private studio in Brisbane. I also received a grant from Arts Qld last year to attend the APRA Song Summit in Sydney, where I had the absolute pleasure of meeting my songwriting idol Neil Finn (see photo for bragging purposes).

Anyway, there have been heaps of tours and shows that I have failed to inform you about. However, that will all change with this new commitment I'm making to my newsletter.

I have a wee gift to say thanks for reading this far... free shows!!

Upcoming Shows...

Brisbane

Sunday March 24 - Queen St Mall, Brisbane CBD
Visitor Information Centre Stage
Free shows at 12, 1, 2pm

Toowoomba

Sunday March 31 - Easterfest
Jesus Christ Superstar Musical Excerpts (I will be reprising my role of Mary Magdalene, a role I played in high school)
Redeemer Lutheran Church, 77 Neil Street,
Toowoomba
Free shows at 11.30am and 1pm

Sunday March 31 - Easterfest
The Olive Branch
532 Ruthven Street, Toowoomba
Free show at 4pm

Sunday March 31 - Easterfest
Epicentre - 9pm
Queens Park, Toowoomba
(not free, but included in Easterfest ticket entry)





Me and Neil Finn at SongSummit,
Sydney

Coming Up in the April Newsletter... *News from the recording studio...*

I hope you are all well. Please don't hesitate to say hi or give your feedback.

Thanks for reading,
Much musical love

Francesca

