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### **TU Dublin Students' Union Newsletter**

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# RAG Charity of the Year





This month marks the official final stretch to raise as many funds as possible for a very worthy cause, The Irish Motor Neurone Disease Association, which has been our 2022/23 Charity of the Year.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has donated already. None of this would have been possible without your generous contributions. As we approach the last few weeks before exams, we want to appeal to anyone who hasn't donated yet, to please give anything you can afford, big or small, to help us get to our target for the year. You can donate via the link below.

https://gofund.me/64127e23

Thank you!

#### Student Feedback - Have your say!





It's that time of year again! The TU Dublin Student Feedback Survey has been released each year since 2012, to gain feedback from students on their programme of study. This feedback is a really great opportunity to improve your programme of study both for yourself and for other students who

come after you into the future. Together we can make TU Dublin the best it can be by improving year on year, but we need your help!

This year the survey will be hosted online via the new technology platform, EvaSys, which will be launching on 20th April and closing on Friday 5th May 2023.

The survey will be sent to all students registered on Major Award Taught Programmes across all campuses in TU Dublin. You will receive an email plus 2 reminders from <a href="Qa.survey@tudublin.ie">Qa.survey@tudublin.ie</a> about the survey, so keep an eye out!

TU Dublin students can scan the QR Code or go directly to <a href="https://tudublin.surveys.evasysplus.ie/">https://tudublin.surveys.evasysplus.ie/</a> to complete the survey once it opens.

#### Class Rep Awards Nomination





As we come to the end of another challenging but rewarding year in TU Dublin, we hope that you'll take a little time out before your Semester 2 exams and assessments to participate in this year's Class Rep Awards nominations. As a bonus, when you nominate your Rep, you can enter a draw to win a **€50 voucher**!

Our Class Reps are amazing and work tirelessly for their class throughout the year. We want you to have the opportunity to tell us about your Rep and to nominate them for a Class Rep award so that they can be recognised for their efforts. The Nomination process is very straight-forward, and some of the areas you should consider are as follows:

- How effective is your Rep in raising issues on behalf of the Class?
- Are they good at liaising with the lecturers / School about students' concerns?
- Do they keep your class notified of useful college updates?

- Do they regularly inform the class on important SU campaigns and other useful information?
- Do they organise class events and activities?

If you nominate your Class Rep, their names will go forward to the Selection panel who will agree on one winner for each of TU Dublin's 5 Faculties.

Each winner will receive an Award certificate and €200 in prize money, jointly sponsored by the Students' Union and TU Dublin.

Please nominate your Rep using this link Class Rep Awards Nomination Form 2023

Nominations are now open and will close at 5pm on Wednesday April 26th.

The names of the 5 Class Reps selected will be announced the following week at our Gala Student Awards Ceremony in the Radisson Blu Hotel, Golden Lane, Dublin 8 and publicized on our social media. If you need any more information, please email us at: <a href="mailto:Advice@tudublinsu.ie">Advice@tudublinsu.ie</a>.

We look forward to getting your nomination!

#### Charity Abseil Event in aid of IMNDA



Hi all! Our charity abseil in aid of the Irish Motor Neurone Disease Association is taking place at the Generator Tower in Smithfield on Saturday 29th of April at 2pm. It's going to be an incredible fun day out, and we are very thankful to all the students and staff that have signed up to take part.

Wish you could take part?? Well, we've got good news for you!!! We still have a limited number of places!! This is an amazing opportunity to tick something off your bucket list and help us raise some

money for an extremely worthwhile charity!! All you need to do is sign up at the link below and we will set you up on our fundraising page. It costs €120 to take part and we can help you raise that via fundraising!

Any questions? Feel free to email <a href="mailto:events.cc@tudublinsu.ie">events.cc@tudublinsu.ie</a>

https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=tkVkUDPL50iVVtvo\_j9Rsi62hhOwDy1OuffJOaDRu99UMUZEOFZWT1hISDVUOVdOMVpDRENUV0o1TC4u

### **Student Awards Ceremony**





Hello from your President! As always, I come bearing exciting news. On May 3rd, all of us here at TU Dublin Students' Union will be holding our annual Awards Ceremony! This is one of our most exciting events of the year, because it's devoted to YOU – the night is all about recognising exceptional students who have contributed significantly to the SU throughout the year.

Whether you were an active class representative, an empowered student councillor, or an all-round inspiration, we'll be honouring your contribution at this formal event. As well as a plethora of awards, there'll be a drinks reception, three-course meal, and of course, the attire is formal – so dress to impress!

The event starts at 6:30pm in the Radisson Blu Hotel (Golden Lane). All shortlisted nominees will be contacted very soon, so watch this space.

Best of luck, and we cannot wait to see you all!

#### **By-Election**







The recent elections for the TUD SU Leadership Team saw seven of the eight full-time positions filled for the 2023-2024 Academic Year. Now just one Full-Time Officer position remains to be elected. City based students will go to the polls to choose the next City Campus Vice President in a byelection that takes place this week. There are two candidates running for the position, and polling will take place on all city campuses this Thursday 20th April. Following completion of the count on Friday 21st April, we will have a full complement of officers for 2023-2024.

The new TU Dublin SU Officer Team will begin their work on 1st July 2023, and we wish them all every success in the year ahead. Please vote on Thursday!

Click here to see Candidates and Polling information

## Postgraduate Week





It's time for postgrads to end the year with a bang! Our first ever Postgraduate Week takes place from Wednesday 26th April until Thursday 4th May. Come and enjoy our Postgrad Week with day and night out events, onsite and offsite events, cheap food and free food, great talks and fun activities, and even a picture day for your LinkedIn or any other professional needs. These events are designed to engage and enhance the postgraduate experience!

Tickets can be found on Eventbrite for all 7 days' worth of fun!

Any questions? Feel free to email postgrad@tudublinsu.ie

### **Campus Activities**





We have loads of exciting onsite activities happening over the next few weeks to help get you through the last few weeks of this academic year before exams. Check out all we have happening below:

- Sculpted by Aimee will be visiting Aungier Street on Tuesday the 18th of April with loads of goodies to give away!
- Redbull are also set to visit Aungier Street on Tuesday the 25th of April with a Hang Tough wall challenge for you to take part in, and a chance to win some great prizes!
- Deliveroo will be visiting selected sites to help fuel you during your last weeks with free food being delivered on the Grangegorman site on Wednesday the 26th of April and Aungier Street, on Friday the 28th.
- Last, but not least, we will have Sprite coming onsite on Thursday the 11th of May to Grangegorman, handing out free drinks to keep you energised and hydrated!