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NCRA/ANREC Community Radio Awards  
608 - 180 Metcalfe Street  
Ottawa, ON K2P 1P5

Re: Local Talent Development Nomination - CFRC's "Civic Guilt" project

Dear NCRA,

Staff and volunteers at CFRC 101.9fm in Kingston, Ontario would like to nominate the station's "Civic Guilt" initiative for the NCRA's 2012-2013 Local Talent Development award.

Throughout the fall and winter of 2012, CFRC volunteer Adam Weaver interviewed dozens of local music artists active in Kingston's indie scene over the past two decades, and dug through hundreds of local cassette tapes and CD-Rs, to produce a 4-part documentary series covering Kingston music since 1990 entitled "Civic Guilt." While Adam's documentary series was in production, CFRC's Neven Lochhead recorded more than a dozen currently active local independent and alternative music acts in local studios, jam spaces and at live concerts. Working in conjunction with recording and production engineer Matt Rogalsky, Lochhead put together a compilation CD of previously unreleased recordings by 13 local artists. The CD and documentary series were launched and broadcast in February, 2013.

The documentary series was posted to the NCRA Program Exchange (<http://previous.ncra.ca/exchange/dspProgramDetail.cfm?programID=135803>) and the compilation was made available as a digital download through Bandcamp (<http://cfrcradio.bandcamp.com/album/civic-guilt-a-kingston-compilation>). Copies of the CD were distributed to the artists, students and community members for free at the launch party and through various outreach events.

The "Civic Guilt" project was the most comprehensive effort to explore and document Kingston's local independent music scenes that our city has experienced in many years and, quite possibly, ever. By sharing detailed information on past groups and their recordings as well as new material from non-mainstream artists currently active in our community, "Civic Guilt" raised awareness about Kingston's lesser-known music artists and emboldened musical creativity in our communities. Thank you for your consideration of this initiative for the Local Talent Development Award.

Sincerely,

Kristiana Clemens  
Operations Officer, CFRC 101.9fm

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'K. Clemens'.