

My music's been played on Dawson's Creek ... now it can raise cancer charity cash

New album released by Glasgow singer in memory of late mum

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A GLASGOW singer songwriter whose music featured on TV hit Dawson's Creek is releasing a charity CD in memory of her late mum.

Michaela Foster Marsh is due to release her second CD on Saturday and it will be dedicated to her mum, Morag, 67, who lost her battle with cancer.

The artist, based in the city's South Side, was preparing to release the rock opera album, I Undid Orion's Belt, around the time her mum was diagnosed with ovarian cancer.

The project was put on hold due to Morag's ill health and only now does Michaela feel the time is right to release it.

She also plans to donate part of the proceeds to Marie Curie Cancer to thank the charity which gave her mum expert care at its Springburn hospice.

Morag died on November 18 last year and Michaela's CD will be launched at a special event on Saturday at Oran Mor in Glasgow's West End.

The performer, whose late father Rev William Marsh was minister at Crosshill Parish Church, has spent most of her music career in Canada, but returned home when her mum was diagnosed with cancer.

She said: "Everything was put on hold when my mum was diagnosed. She passed away a few months ago after being in remission.

"I spent a lot of time at the Marie Curie unit and I saw at close hand the marvellous work they do. I move or less lived there when my mum was ill and that is why I wanted to make a donation through the proceeds of the CD.



Michaela Foster Marsh's music has featured on teen TV series Dawson's Creek, which starred Katie Holmes (Joey), left, and James Van der Beek (Dawson), centre

"It is only now I feel the time is right to release the CD and have dedicated it to my mum. She got the chance to hear some of the tracks before she died and I know she would want me to have continued with my music."

Sadly this is not the first time her family has been hit by tragedy. Michaela's brother Frankie died in a fire in Glasgow at the age of 26 and a track she wrote in tribute to him was used on the teen drama series Dawson's Creek.

She sent the show's music producers a copy of her first album Fairy Tales and the Loss of Innocence. They picked out the poignant track - Fullen Angel -

which was written for Frankie and used it to accompany a scene about the funeral of Dawson's father.

Michaela said: "It was quite ironic. I had a bit of a cry about it."

Anyone wishing to purchase tickets for the event at Oran

Mor can order them online at www.ticketweb.co.uk or www.tickets-scotland.com

Michaela has dedicated the CD to her mum after previously writing a song for brother Frankie who died in a fire. Main picture: Martin Shields

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