

# Raue Showcases Local Acts

Local musicians Daniel Carty and Jessy May perform at the Raue Center.

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The [Raue Center for the Arts](#) opened its Lucy's Cafe late night lounge June 24 to musical performances by local acts Daniel Carty and Jessy May.

While Carty and May ran through their set in the lounge, many spectators watched during the breaks of the current comedy night being presented on the main stage in the Raue.

The cafe lounge was a free event open to anyone and was catered to two exceptionally talented musicians. The first to perform, Daniel Carty, brought forth smooth vocals with a piano accompaniment and opened with a unique sounding solo piano/vocal version of Bob Marley's "Waiting In Vain."

Carty went on, combining a number of covers and originals, and during a break in his set he gave a little insight on himself as an artist and performer.

"I play guitar, drums, piano and play with a group called Owntoo. Most of the guys are from around here and Chicago. We travel around quite a bit," he explained. "I basically write songs and what we do is pretty much collaborate."

"This is kinda my solo thing, which I do pretty much every weekend if I'm not gigging with the band," he continued. "I grew up in Crystal Lake and have played a lot of clubs in the city too. Lately, I've been playing a lot of local stuff. Festivals, private parties and events like this. It's been very cool and seems like a nice environment and very open."

Jessy May took to the center of the lounge after Carty finished and melded soothing vocals, guitar and effects loops together into an intimate and timid performance.

The relaxed cafe setting is set up frequently by the Raue and local musicians can be seen performing in this free community event on various upcoming weekends.

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