

## A European Media Network for Diversity and Intercultural Dialogue

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Near FM Volunteer Ireland



Near fm broadcasts 24 hours a day over 365 days per year. We operate an open access policy and run at least two community radio courses a year for new volunteers. The station encourages groups to use community media as a tool in their development work and aims to reflect the issues, events and stories important in the local area. It

also has a sister TV station which is called DCTV. Near FM is also active online. They provide basic computer training programmes to the local community. It offers media platform to whoever who wants no matter your background.

I am a volunteer presenter with Near FM.I work in a program called Culture Shots which broadcast every Mondays at 6.30pm for thirty minutes on radio and online. I interview people,

edit and then present them. This program has become a success on our radio station. It was officially commissioned by the Minister of Justice in Ireland in July this year. I cover different topics that encourage diversity and integration. This program has different people from different backgrounds who work on it. I am also a par time writer with Metro Eireaan newspaper. I recently took part in a pilot internship programme in the Irish Parliament which aims to encourage migrant communities in Ireland to get involved in politics.



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