

## Open Mic Night At BU Central Brings BU Musicians Together

BOSTON - Thursday night, indie rock covers took over Boston University Central during the Open Mic Night on September 21, 2017 held for Boston University's Music Network Club.

The event began at 7:00 PM, with sign ups starting half an hour before. Each act was allowed to perform two songs for their set, with many of the featured musicians performing covers of their favorite indie rock songs, such as "Creep" by Radiohead and "Wonderwall" by Oasis. Others opted to showcase original material, such as Junior singer-songwriter, Katelyn Dowd. The folk style of her song, "Troubled Mind," stood out in comparison to the many covers performed at the event.

The event's relaxing atmosphere made it a great place for musicians from around the BU campus to converse and get to know each other. Junior performer, Ivy Liang, found the event "Inspiring." Liang transferred to the university last fall and is happy to be able to meet other musicians.

The Music Business Club is a fairly new club to the Boston University campus. The student board operating the club consists of President Sam Foreman, Vice President Olivia Gehrke, and Treasurer Kai-Xan McDonald. The Group's mission is to bring together undergraduate students interested in "the modern music industry" and allow them "to network, perform, and practice."

Aside from the open mics, the club holds multiple events throughout the year such as small concerts and Jam Rooms. The concerts are free and feature small, local artists from the Boston area. Black Beach, Elephants, and Mint Green, are scheduled to perform at the concert on October 6, 2017 at BU Central.

The Jam Room sessions are held in a reserved space in the BU Academy. Students can sign up online to book times between 11AM and 11PM to play music,

whether individually or with friends. Individuals can reserve space for one hour, while groups can reserve up to two hours.