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# Dining Town Hall puts emphasis on customer service, student feedback

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The vast majority of resident students at IIT eat in Sodexo locations for most of their meals due to the fact that the company has exclusive rights to serve prepared food on campus and that meal plans are built into the fabric of the school's housing contract. This level of mandated participation brings with it inevitable levels of dissatisfaction: when somebody eats in the Commons for two meals each day, they're bound to see Sodexo staff and their products at their best and their worst, and to witness long-term patterns in food services that they wish to see changed.

On a Tuesday evening in the MTCC Welcome Center, IIT's Student Government Association (SGA) briefly opened a new avenue for students to directly communicate their concerns on the topic of dining, holding a town hall-style meeting featuring open input and discussion between a group of about two dozen participating students and a panel composed of individuals from Sodexo, IIT's Office of Campus Life, Residence and Greek Life, Student Affairs, and the Food Advisory Board.

While such a meeting could easily have been standoffish and counterproductive, this particular occasion actually went rather smoothly, and many in attendance say they left with a better understanding of IIT's Dining Services than they had in the past, if not necessarily a higher opinion thereof. Students spoke passionately on topics ranging from specific complaints about certain menu items to stories of poor treatment by staff in various Sodexo locations, and for the most part, those comments were addressed by the staff members present.

A number of major themes came about during the course of the town hall event, but perhaps the most consistent issue wasn't the most obvious one at the beginning of the meeting. There were a number of times when students spent significant time behind the microphone speaking about a lack of certain options, only to find out that those options had actually been recently expanded. This same phenomenon was echoed when discussing

some recent changes to hours in the Commons, which is now open until 2:30 p.m. for lunch on weekdays and has weekend breakfast hours. Many of the students present, who were arguably those who cared most about Dining Services, were completely unaware of such new policies or options from Sodexo. One of the core takeaways from the town hall seemed to be that a large part of the dissonance between students and Sodexo comes down to a failure on the latter's part to properly communicate, as evidenced by the fact that programs like Meal

from Dining Services, another major point of the town hall was to share strategies for more regular student input. Ricky Stevenson, the organizer of the Food Advisory Board, took the opportunity to introduce the organization to the public, welcoming any students to join their open meetings every other Friday at 3:30 p.m. in the Pritzker Club, meetings which include half a dozen individuals from Sodexo's management. The Food Advisory Board has traditionally been responsible for making major dining decisions (such as the addition of



Photo by Reno Waswil

Exchanges and Express Meals only became widely known within the last month, despite the fact that they had existed for a semester prior.

Through partnerships with SGA and Residence Hall Association, which both send representatives to Food Advisory Board meetings, Sodexo will hopefully be able to disseminate information about their new programs in a more effective manner going forward, helping to improve public opinion of their responsiveness to student input as they implement changes.

Along with outward communication

ice cream to the Commons), and is the most direct, consistent source of student input to Dining Services.

In addition to Food Advisory Board, Sodexo General Manager Chris Ferenc strongly encouraged students to fill out the feedback cards which are available in most dining locations on campus, and clarified that those cards are directly discussed daily in administrative meetings. Finally, Ferenc stressed that managers inside the Commons are trained to take in immediate concerns, and that Sodexo's email address is open to any concerns as well.

The meeting was about more than just methods for submitting feedback, though. Students did not sit through two hours of discussion just for the purpose of learning where to direct their input; instead, they were there to voice their concerns right that instant about Sodexo locations and staff. This is where audience members were at their most animated and even angry, actively venting their frustrations directly to those they held responsible.

Many students were dissatisfied with general cooking quality, especially when it came to basic dishes like rice. More specifically, a significant contingent of those present agreed that Sodexo staff members seemed to lack care about the quality of the food they served, particularly on weekends. Staff training came up more than anything else in the meeting, touching on sanitation issues as well as customer service. Students shared stories of being rudely told not to use their phones while waiting for omelets to cook and of having their concerns about mislabeled non-vegetarian menu items completely dismissed and the behavior repeated. When it came to staff issues, Ferenc and others on the panel stressed the importance of noting a specific time, place, and staff member for each such situation and addressing an email to Dining Services on the subject, since they tend to address such issues on a case-by-case basis. In response, students noted that staff inside Sodexo locations seem to be poorly trained in customer service, and that more general, thorough action is needed to fix many of the problems caused by the behaviors of certain people among the frontline staff.

Throughout the course of the town hall, the consistent crowd learned a great deal about how Sodexo makes its policy decisions, and the professional staff responsible for food decisions seemed to take away a few important points from their audience. It remains to be seen what changes will be made and whether those changes will be properly communicated to the customers of Dining Services, but along with other methods of feedback, this town hall seemed like a good place to start.

# Union Board opens executive nominations

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Illinois Tech's Union Board is opening up nominations and applications for three open positions for their Spring 2016 executive board.

Nominations can be suggested through the Google form found at tinyurl. com/UB2016App or by emailing president@ubiit.org. Applications for the positions will open on Hawklink on November 12 and will close on November 19.

Union Board is an event programming board, developed in 1938, to enhance life on campus for Illinois Tech students. Union Board has brought the IIT student body big events such as Homecoming, MTCC

Late Niite, and Spring Formal, along with smaller events like monthly movie screenings, discounted ticket sales, and biweekly coffeehouses.

Three positions will be available for Union Board's Spring 2016 executive board. The three positions available for applications include our Off Campus, Music, and Marketing Chairs.

Union Board's Off-Campus Chair programs events such as ticket sales, often of the sports or Broadway variety, along with popular off-campus events such as wing crawl. Specific questions about the position can be directed to the current chair, Chris, at offcampus@ubiit.org.

Union Board's Music Chair programs music-related performances such as

Hawks Coffeehouses, Center Court performances, and All the Riite Moves, a dance series. Specific questions can be directed to the current chair, Shireen, at music@ubiit.org.

Union Board's Marketing Chair promotes Union Board through flyers, posters, giveaways, and anything that puts the Union Board name out into the public. Specific questions can be directed to the current chair, Sany, at market@ubiit.org.

All students are encouraged to apply. A student does not need to have prior experience with Union Board; however, other experience with programming events, or with other student organizations on campus, is highly recommended.

Serving in one of these positions is a great chance to join a really fun team of

school-spirited people who love Illinois Tech and want to make others love it too! Union Board gives students the autonomy to choose what they want to see on campus to enhance the overall student experience. It's an opportunity you won't want to miss out on!

All interested individuals can attend Union Board general body meetings every Thursday in E1 Room 258 during the lunch hour. Students can also like Union Board at Illinois Tech on Facebook or follow @iitunionboard on Snapchat, Instagram, and Twitter. Union Board highly encourages you to check us out, and if you have any general questions, reach out to president@ubiit.org.

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# Steven Holl presents College of Architecture lecture

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Every architect starts with a single dream of designing their own building, a building that will bear their name for decades. Like Crown Hall has the mark of Mies Van De Rohe, every aspiring architect wishes fro the same. Many architects have been successful in this path, including architects like Frank Lloyd Wright, Mies Van De Rohe, Amanda Wiliiams and many more. Amongst these successful architects, Steven Holl is one of them. He is known for his work at Princeton University, Iowa State University and many other projects in the USA.

On the November 5, Steven Holl was invited to sign his new novel and give a speech on his new ideas and relation of art

with architecture. At 5 p.m., he arrived at IIT's College of Architecture and all of his books were being sold at discounted prices. Most architects got their books signed by Steven Holl and the author Robert Mccarter. He signed the books wishing luck to all aspiring architects.

At around 6 p.m., the Center Core of Crown Hall was set up and soon filled with students of architecture ranging from freshman all the way to graduate students. There was no breathing space, but there was definitely a spark of excitement that filled the air of the hall. Initially, there was a welcome speech by the Dean of Architecture, followed by the introduction speech by Holl's dear friend and the author of his latest book, Mccarter. After the introduction, Holl began by talking about the relation between dance and

architecture. He said,"The immeasurable form of architecture is an expression, expression of an art form." Then, he went on to show the different dimensions of architecture in terms of time. During this, he showed all students new projects he was working on that was to be opened in the near future. All his work seemed to inspire the students and most of them were busy sketching ideas in their notebooks.

After the inspiring PowerPoint on his works, he talked about the joys of being an architect, convincing all the students the hard work was worth it. It was ended by the thank you speech and photo opportunity students took photos with Holl. In a nutshell, it was an inspiring break for all architecture students who gained not only inspiration and knowledge but also an insight into future successful careers.

# Commuter Student Association discusses Rave Guardian app, Student Gift at general body meeting

**Ricardo Torres** 

TECHNEWS WRITER

Exciting news and ideas were discussed by the members of the Commuter Student Association (CSA) at their third general body meeting. The success of their past events such as the Dia De Los Muertos dance party were recapped and new events were announced. Representatives from the Student Government Association and Student Gift also attended to share news and opportunities for students.

The Commuter Student Association held their second general body meeting on Tuesday, November 4. The meeting was hosted at Hermann Hall room 010 this time due to maintenance repairs in The Bog. This caused some confusion since the members were not aware of this, but the CSA executive board

was able to handle the situation and direct members to the new location. The meeting was led by the CSA President, Kevin Tapia, as he welcomed current and new members to the meeting. The CSA executive board aims to serve commuter students as best as they can and so as students came in they were handed a survey to fill out to give their feedback on how CSA can be improved.

The members were also provided with Mediterranean food that they were able to enjoy during the meeting. The floor was then handed over to Rahul V. Wadhwani, who is the current president of the Student Government Association (SGA). He talked about the Rave Guardian application that SGA is petitioning to bring on campus. He mentioned that the app would help create a safer environment for every student at IIT. The members of SGA will

be on the MTCC Bridge for the next few weeks to collect signatures from students to show their support for the Rave Guardian app.

William Gordon, who is a student working with the Student Gift Campaign, was then introduced. He discussed the ideas that the Student Gift Campaign has come up with for students to choose. The four ideas that are available to choose from are an emergency textbook fund, charging stations and charging lockers, solar-powered crosswalk signs, and solar-powered picnic tables. William Gordon encouraged them to participate and vote for their favorite idea through a link that was sent by email to all IIT students. The meeting ended as students turned in their survey responses and thanked the CSA executive board for the information and free food.



Photo by Ricardo Torres



## CAMPUS International students to experience Thanksgiving with host families

Kori Bowns

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Illinois Tech is a very diverse campus; our graduate student population consists of 65% international students and our undergraduate student population consists of 26% international students. These students come to Chicago and HT from over 100 other countries in the world.

The International Center at Illinois Tech exists in part to support international students at the university. One program that does so is the International Center's Thanksgiving program, which allows international students to experience an American Thanksgiving with a host family located in or around Chicago. According to the International Center, hosts are arranged for Thanksgiving dinner and international students are given the opportunity to be matched with a host. The office says that spending Thanksgiving with one of these host families is a great opportunity for international

students to spend a traditional holiday with an American family, enjoy a tasty Thanksgiving meal, and get to know some other Illinois Tech students. The program has been going on for several years at the university.

Currently, 80 students are signed up to for the Thanksgiving program, but only 12 host families have signed up. According to Brianna Jones, International Student Advisor for the International Center, the program is always limited by the number of host families who sign up; students are unfortunately turned away every year because the number of hosts is too small to support the number of students who are interested. Members of the IIT community who are interested in hosting an international student at their Thanksgiving dinner this year can sign up by visiting the following link: tinyurl.com/ puzba8j. The deadline for hosts to sign up is Tuesday, November 10. International students who would like to spend Thanksgiving with a host family can also sign up at tinyurl.com/

og68pfr by Friday, November 13. Jones says that the office offers opportunities to spend Thanksgiving with hosts on a first-come, firstserved basis.

Jones had some additional information to share about the program. She says that a good mix of both undergraduate and graduate students have participated in the past; a wide spectrum of countries have also been represented. She also says that her office tries to pair students with host families who will match their interests and dietary restrictions.

"I think international students have a tendency to stay within their own community, and this is a good chance to break that," Jones said. She adds that many times, host families are able to accommodate more than one student, and students also get placed with their friends as they explore this American experience together.

Jones adds that hosts who participate in the program have an overwhelmingly

positive experience. Hosts participate in the program year after year and are very excited to welcome international students to their Thanksgiving dinner. She adds that hosts provide great feedback to the International Center to benefit the program. Hosts and students also often make valuable connections that last well past Thanksgiving,

Jones also adds that hosts come in many varieties; all are members of the IIT community, but many staff, faculty, alumni, and students' families participate. Most hosts take between two and four students, but some take as many as 13.

"I think it's a great way to give an international student an opportunity that they wouldn't otherwise have. It may seem kind of strange, but considering what Thanksgiving is all about, it's really in the spirit of the holiday," said Iones. Questions about the program can be directed to the International Center via email at icenter@iit.edu.

# Circle K announces upcoming Thanksgiving events

Ricardo Torres

TECHNEWS WRITER

With the upcoming holiday of Thanksgiving, Circle K at IIT has planned holiday-themed events that every student is welcome to participate in. These events were discussed at the organization's fifth general body meeting that took place on Thursday, November 5. It was hosted at Wishnick Hall room 115 rather than the usual location of Wishnick Auditorium.

The Circle K President, Paul Nagtalon, called the meeting to order after the members walked in and settled into their

seats. Everyone then stood up and together they recited the Circle K Pledge that reminds them to help the community through service, leadership, and fellowship. The Membership Development and Education Chair, Yinman Zhong, then took the floor to lead a fellowship activity. In this activity called the human knot, members split up into pairs and held each other's hands. The objective was to work together in order to untangle themselves as fast as they could. After being told to begin, the members began to move in any way they could to untangle themselves. As the time continued, all of the pairs were having some difficulty untangling themselves, but they were smiling

and laughing because of the many moves they had to make to complete their objective. A pair was able to successfully untangle themselves and they then helped the other pairs to also achieve their goal.

After the fellowship activity, new members were welcomed and told about the benefits of becoming a member. Some of these benefits include a club t-shirt, a membership handbook, and many others that can be found on the Circle K page on Hawklink. The exciting part of the meeting came next when Nagtalon discussed the upcoming events that anyone can be a part of. Some of these events include a Thanksgiving bake sale fundraiser where members will get to bake cookies, brownies, and other food items. They will then be sold at the MTCC Bridge to raise funds for the organization to be able to continue helping the community. In another event, members will be able to come together to enjoy the zoo lights and ice-skating at Lincoln Park Zoo. The members were then notified about the next general body meeting which will take place at Wishnick 115 on October 19 during the lunch hour, and the meeting was then adjourned by Nagtalon. To learn about all the upcoming events or other information students may sign up for the Circle K emailing list at illinoistech. cki@gmail.com



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# Meet the members of the President's Student Advisory Council

#### Ricardo Torres

TECHNEWS WRITER

With the diversity of the student body at IIT, it may at times become a difficult task to address the different issues facing students. President Alan Cramb decided to create an organization that will represent the different groups of students on campus and assist him by voicing opinions, ideas, or concerns that students have and work together to create a solution.

The President's Student Advisory Council met for their first meeting on Thursday, October 29. The meeting was held in the President's executive conference room on the nineteenth floor of the IIT Tower. The students were invited to serve themselves food as they were welcomed by President Cramb. They then settled inside the conference room and took their seats. President Cramb welcomed them and thanked them for coming to the meeting. Everyone then took their turn to introduce themselves and who they will be representing.

The members of the President's Student Advisory Council are here to represent the IIT community, therefore, here they will be introduced so that we may become familiar of who we can turn to for assistance. Rahul

electrical engineering and the current Student Government Association President. Julie

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V. Wadhwani is a fourth-year student of year student of information technology and management representing international students. Leslie Lyons is a fourth-year civil



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Chandler is a graduate student in architectural engineering representing graduate students. Shameemah Fuseini-Codjoe is a second-

engineering student representing Greek life. Ricardo Morales Torres is a second-year business administration student representing the Commuter Student Association. Jermiron Morris is a fifth-year industrial technology and management student representing residence life. Naila Opiangah is a third-year architecture student who was selected by the Dean of Students. Subarno Saha is a third-year electrical engineering student who will represent media groups at IIT, and Quentin Shipley-Mellon is a fourth-year civil engineering major representing student athletics.

An additional five members were selected by the Student Government Association to represent general student interests at IIT. Dakota Betts is a fifth-year student in architecture, Sung Min Choi Hong is a fourth-year chemical engineering major, Gabriel Conners is a third-year social and economic development policy major, Egle Malinauskaite is a third-year biomedical engineering student, and Cassandra Reineke-Ryskiewicz is a second-year in civil engineering.

Feel free to greet them when you see them around campus and tell them about your concerns or ideas. The President's Student Advisory Council is here for you.



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# Students win big at Caribbean Visionaries poker tournament

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EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Visionaries hosted their third-annual poker tournament in The Bog last Friday night, November 6. The event was limited to 64 students; the tournament was structured to have eight tables, each with eight students competing to win all of their table's chips in a game of Texas hold 'em. Students from Caribbean Visionaries also served as dealers for the event.

According to Nicholas Welsh, President and Event Director of Caribbean Visionaries, there was an immense amount of student interest in the event. Even though the tournament itself could only include 64 students, 118 signed up, and several others made their way to The Bog on Friday night hoping to get a seat in the tournament if one of the first students to sign up didn't attend.

As students arrived and checked in, light appetizers were served and students took their seats, many of them taking time to review poker hand rankings. While many students were worried about their lack of experience in playing competitive poker, the skill levels and experience among students varied vastly, providing a light-hearted and educational atmosphere for all.

By the end of the night, three winners walked away with the top prizes of

\$100, \$80, and \$50. The first prize winner was Sahil Chalke, second prize went to Sunny Shah, and third prize went to Ariel Young.

"The best part about organizing the event was seeing our hard work manifest into great success," said Welsh. "The measures of success for an event of this nature was, first of all, to get all 64 seats filled, and more importantly, ensure our participants have a memorable experience. It creates a blissful feeling on the inside when participants are asking to sign up one year in advance for our 2016 tournament."

"Caribbean Visionaries would like to thank everyone for their continued support, and looks forward to giving our followers an awesome experience at each and every event," said Welsh. "It's also important to note that in addition to giving our supporters a wonderful time at our events, we are also trying to raise awareness of talented Caribbean students who aspire to study in the United States. In Caribbean Visionaries, we aim to create a pipeline that will help and benefit those students."

Welsh says that he thanks the hard work of the executive board of Caribbean Visionaries for planning, organizing, and carrying out the event. Students on the executive board all contributed to the event, which was funded by Illinois Tech's Student Activities Fund.



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# Vandercook Live! Senior Recital by Luke Moyta







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# A thrilling Halloween night filled with swing

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TECHNEWS WRITER

The night of Halloween was filled with fun events and high celebratory spirits as people transformed into their spooky costumes and haunted the streets to trick or treat. On such a night, I would have shed my human appearance and joined the creatures of the night, but this time was different. My friend invited me to a Halloween event and little did I know of the experience that awaited me. I stepped out of the car and walked towards the door, and so it began...

I entered the doors of the Willowbrook Ballroom. The colorful lights and creepy decorations immediately caught my attention. I walked into the lobby area and the doorman greeted me as I sat down on a long soft couch to wait for my friend to arrive. I looked around the room and saw other guests preparing for the event. There was a vampire who walked past with bloody fangs that looked thirsty for fresh blood. A pirate sat across from me looking cheery after drinking his bottle of rum. I turned towards the door and saw my friend walking in. She wore a hat with fluffy

ears and a pink and black outfit with a nice purple tutu. As I walked towards her I looked at a mirror to my left and on the brief reflection I saw Batman. We greeted each other and then walked eagerly to the ballroom to begin the thrilling night.

The sound of swing music filled the room when the Flat Cats Band began to play. We all got together with our partners and danced the night away. I had never danced to swing music but after a quick lesson from the Willowbrook staff I was able to enjoy the dance and move to the cheerful rhythm of the music.

All throughout the night, we went round and round with different partners dancing to the variety of swing music ranging from the slow and soothing beat to the fast and wild one that filled us all with energy and happiness.

The festivity came to an end as the sound of music left the room. The creatures of the night walked back under the dark sky excited with the beat of swing still playing in their head. I said my goodbyes and was thankful for the thrilling and memorable Halloween night.





Photos by Ricardo Torres

# Reviews: Plaitum releases promising new EP

Soren Spicknall WIIT MUSIC DIRECTOR

Barely 10 years into his career as a music producer, Paul Epworth can already be considered a kingmaker. He's been behind the board for the debut albums from Bloc Party, Florence + The Machine, Maximo Park, and more, and his ability to bring out new talent has also attracted the attention of established acts like Paul McCartney and U2, who have enlisted him for work on their respective most recent albums. And now, in addition to producing, Epworth has put his hand into another side of the music business, founding a new record label called Wolf Tone to promote and release music from groups he's personally discovered. Epworth exercised his influence with this new label by almost instantaneously making indie pop group Glass Animals international stars last year, and now he's set his sights on another such unknown group: Plaitum. The Colchester, England-based duo's first single debuted on Vice's Noisey blog, and their selftitled debut EP is due out on Wednesday.

At first blush, Plaitum seem to be following in the wake of Sylvan Esso's successful musical formula. Singer Abi Dersiley is backed by dark electronic producer Matt Canham, and their music is aimed squarely at the same EDM-influenced side of the independent pop spectrum that made groups like SE and Hot Chip big names in the last half decade. However, the tracks on this debut EP all have a denser, more heavily-layered feel to them than the relatively more manageable music of SE, a well-documented result of Epworth's involvement in an album. Additionally, Dersiley's vocals have a much less pointed role than that of SE's Amelia Meath, being used less for percussive structure than for melodies reminiscent of popular alt-rock modes of composition.

Canham's backing tracks are at times monumental in scale, but the art of the musical climax is not his only trick. The final song snowscapes, depending on the listener's experiences with either. That track, "Sway," is perhaps the best from the EP, showcasing the



Image courtesy of Plaitum

sort of blend between alt-J and Cat Power, with low, menacing undercurrents evoking images of nighttime skylines or bleak, mountainous

from the four-track EP is reminiscent of some duo's immense abilities without going straight ing on Wednesday, and Plaitum likely have a for the obvious crescendo. It builds almost imperceptibly, interrupted by occasional interludes filled with distortions of Dersiley's other-

wise silky voice, and reaches its full throbbing power before the listener even realizes they've gotten there. These moments of intelligent, measured composition are what make Plaitum so different from their contemporaries in the field of pure pop, and are likely what will make this first EP a mainstay of independent radio.

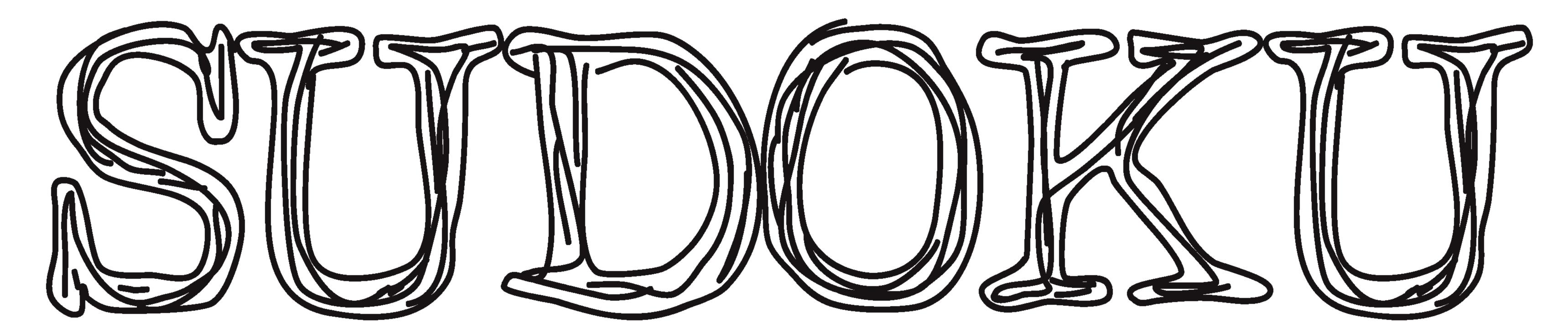
That said, there are few weak facets to the release. Opening track and lead single "LMHY" demonstrates one of Plaitum's mild issues right off the bat, with drum tracks and initial synth tones that have been mainstays of pop music for at least five years now. While Canham's arrangements lend a lot of new territory to tried-and-true sounds, Plaitum can't escape the fact that anybody who's owned a cheap Yamaha keyboard or a Micro-Korg knows just how easy it can be to produce some of the layers in songs like "LMHY" and "Carousel." Going forward, it'll benefit the duo to bring in some more live tracks for sampling as a way of honing in on their unique sound, rather than drawing from a tool chest that's been used by every startup electropop act in this millennium. Additionally, while Dersiley's vocals are placed at a reasonable level in the mix, the listener needs to listen quite actively to gain any meaning from her lyrics, as the musical elements around her voice often take center stage, distracting any casual listener from her often poignant writing. Overall, though, Plaitum's debut EP proves that Paul Epworth hasn't yet lost a smidgen of his immense talentfinding abilities, and shows what can happen if a complete unknown is given access to the resources and connections of one of the most powerful figures in modern music. You can expect this release to be all over the place startbright future ahead of them. 7.2/10

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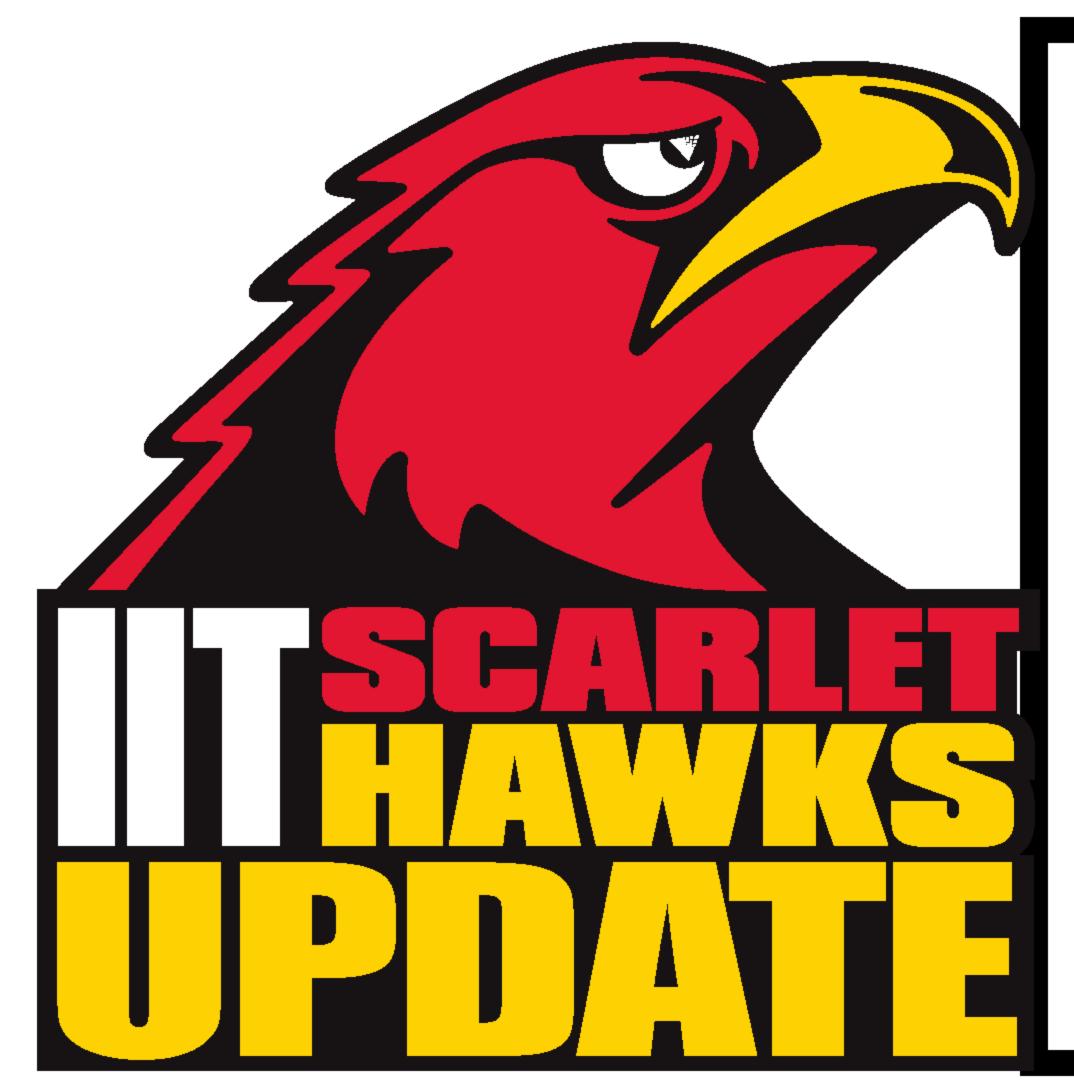
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