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## STUDENTS PLAY AT GLASTONBURY FESTIVAL

Yeovil College indie pop band, the Melancholy Moose Society, is performing on the Late 'N' Live stage at this year's Glastonbury Festival.

The band won the chance to perform at the festival following a two-stage 'battle of the band' contest organised by Somerset County Council's Youth Service. After winning the district heat, the four Yeovil College BND Music Practice students won both first and second prizes of the once-in-a-lifetime gig and studio recording time. Glastonbury organiser Michael Eavis was among the second round judges.

The Melancholy Moose Society includes Adam Winter (Lead Guitar), Jay Atkins (Bass), Alex Gullis (Drums) and Ian Williams (Vocals). They met and formed the band in the first year of their course at Yeovil College and have played gigs around the country with their unique "charity shop indie pop" music, drawing audiences at venues in Bristol and London. They have also supported groups including British Sea Power and Jack Harrison.

The group has already produced a CD of their own songs and music and they are hoping for some Radio One airplay on Huw Stephen's show during the festival, which opened today.

Simon Squire, Head of Music at Yeovil College, said "*All the guys have worked really hard and come a long way since their first gig in February 2007. They've developed a quirky, unusual mix that's worked really well – they call it 'charity shop indie pop' and it's gone down brilliantly with audiences all over the South West. We hope they play up a storm at Glastonbury and do really well in the future.*"

The Melancholy Moose Society will be playing on the Late 'N' Live on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2008 starting at 9pm.

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Photograph shows The Melancholy Moose Society who are (l-r) Jay Atkins (Bass), Adam Winter (Lead Guitar), Ian Williams (Vocals) and Alex Gullis (Drums).