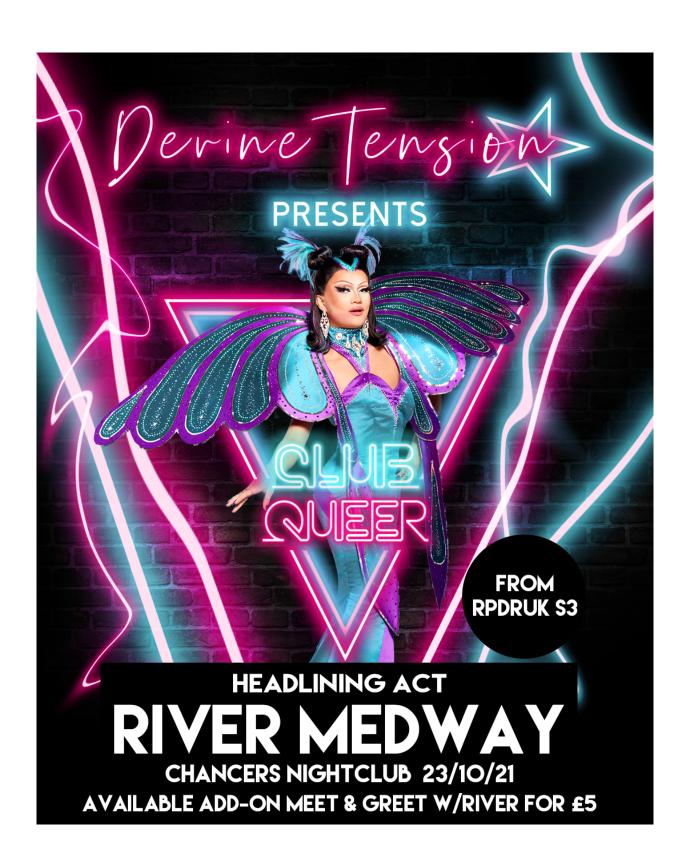
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CLUB QUEER: LOCAL DRAG QUEEN RETURNS TO PROMOTE RURAL QUEER CULTURE

Twelve outrageously camp LGBTQ+ artists from across the nation join Devine Tension at Chancers Nightclub on October 23rd 2021.

Devine Tension proudly presents **Club Queer**, a unique cabaret clubland experience in the heart of Dumfries, debuting at Chancers Nightclub on **October 23rd 2021**. Club Queer will transport an audience to a world of bass-pumping, in-your-face, queer clubland from the minute the doors swing open. Club Queer welcomes a spectacular line-up of LGBTQIA+ performers from across the nation, for a night of outrageous queer cabaret, hosted by Dumfries' drag goddess, and high energy diva, Devine Tension. Check out the Line-Up!

From BBC Three's **RuPaul's Drag Race UK** Season One, Canadian/British Drag Queen Crystal is set to take Dumfries & Galloway by storm at Club Queer. Crystal is a drag queen, aerial circus performer, and DJ currently based in London. Most commonly known for her performance on the critically acclaimed Drag Race UK, Crystal has also appeared on **Canada's Drag Race** (BBC Three), **Group Sext** (OutTV), and **Call Me Mother** (OutTV). An outrageously camp performer, who knows a thing or two about turning a jaw-dropping look, Crystal is guaranteed to send shockwaves across Chancers Nightclub.

Alongside Crystal, and from the most recent season of RuPaul's Drag Race UK (Season 3), **River Medway** headlines Club Queer. From her iconic looks, to her tantalising vocals, River is a powerhouse performer. Guaranteed to be a showstopper!

23-year-old local drag sensation, Devine Tension (Dillon Colthart), is ready to make waves on the Dumfries & Galloway nightlife scene, with 'Club Queer' taking place at the heart of Dumfries' rural nightlife culture. She says "the region has been gasping for a regular LGBTQIA+ club night. With Dumfries & Galloway having recently celebrated its third annual pride in September, it is simply time for our rural queer culture to expand in a big way." Speaking on the collaboration with Chancers Nightclub as Club Queer's new home, Devine says "I am extremely excited, and proud, to be in partnership with Chancers Nightclub for Club Queer. Nightlife in Dumfries has a significant impact on the cultural development of the region. With local bands currently leading the way, a regular drag/cabaret event is just the ticket to expanding our queer culture Post-COVID". Club Queer, at its core, is a celebration of rural queer art with the vision of creating a new platform for up-and-coming gueer performers to get inspired, get creative, and eventually grace the stage with their fabulous energy. Having sourced artists nationally, as well as locally, Devine has cast some of the most exciting, outrageous, and aesthetically mesmerising LGBTQIA+ performers on the cabaret scene right now from the bright lights of Glasgow, Edinburgh, London, and

Cambridge. Club Queer is set to be a unique club experience that will get the people Doonhame on their feet, dancing, prancing, and having an overall *camp ol' time*.

Devine Tension found inspiration for Club Queer, as a concept, after becoming increasingly frustrated with the lack of variety Dumfries nightlife had to offer. "From the perspective of a queer-identifying young person, events featuring queer artists are not as easily accessible within rural areas, because they simply do not exist as frequently as, for example, going to the pub to watch your favourite local band. To increase representation and visibility for LGBTQIA+ individuals, making queer performance more rurally accessible is a step in the right direction, and gives people something fabulously *fresh to get excited about"*.

Club Queer is proudly supported by The Holywood Trust, The Studio Theatre (Moffat), Creative Spaces Dumfries, Ryan Blain Makeup Artist, Network of Artists, and Cairndale Hotel & Leisure Club. Graphics and branding provided by Lugsy Visual Artist.

THE LINEUP

Your Host:

Devine Tension (@tensiondevine)

Headliners:

Crystal (<u>@crystal.will.see.you.now</u>) [RuPaul's Drag Race UK: Season 1] River Medway (@rivermedway) [RuPaul's Drag Race UK: Season 3]

Performing:

Sophia Stardust (@sophia.stardust)
Ann Phetamine (@ann_phetamine666)
Frans Gender (@frans_gender)
Freida Slaves (@freidaslaves)
Bones (@itsjustbones)
Persephone (@sadpersephone)
Venus (@mirrenthomson)
Asteria (@jordanchisholmx)

DJ Sets:

Double Down Disco (@doubledowndisco)

Supporters:

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Club Queer premieres at Chancers Nightclub on **Saturday 23rd of October 2021**.

Tickets are on sale NOW. Snatch yours up now, before it's too late!

PRICING

General Admission: £20

VIP Admission [Inclusive of Meet&Greet with Crystal]: £25

River Medway Meet & Greet [Add-On]: £5

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