

Harris Institute's Bob & Doug "Take Off, eh!"

The partnership between the University of Paisley in Glasgow, Scotland and Harris Institute in Toronto, Canada is expanding to include senior faculty exchanges.

Bob Roper, Chair of Harris Institute's Recording Arts Management Program and Doug McClement, Chair of the Producing/Engineering Program will "take off" for Scotland in November to exchange with Jim Prime, Course Leader of Paisley's BA Hons Commercial Music Program and Allan Drumbeck who developed and implemented music industry programs at both Paisley and the University of Westminster in London, England.

Juno Award winner Bob Roper was the A&R Director at Warner Music, Tour Manager of Supertramp, Promotion Director at Capitol/EMI and Executive Producer of the Juno Awards. Gemini and W.C. Hardy Award winner Doug McClement is the President of LiveWire, one of North America's leading remote recording companies and was the President of

Comfort Sound Studios from 1975 to 1994. Jim Prime is a member of Deacon Blue who have had 3 number one albums and 17 top forty hits, he has done feature film soundtracks and played with Phil Collins,



Bob Roper (centre) and Doug McClement (right) receive the Harris Alumni 2005 Award for Excellence in Music Industry Education from James Porter, VP of Harris Alumni.

Eric Clapton and Little Richard. Allan Drumbeck is a highly regarded leader in music industry education in the UK and the founder of the Music Education Directory and

the Music Education Forum.

Eleven Paisley students will arrive in Toronto in June to complete overseas work placements in their degrees and fourteen Harris graduates will start eight month degree programs at Paisley in September. Tuitions are being waived by both institutions. Eleven Harris grads will receive degrees and two will receive honours degrees on June 29th at Paisley. An application for Paisley degree programs at Harris in Toronto is being submitted to Ontario's Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities.

Harris Institute was recently awarded funding by the Ministry of Culture to develop an online Professional Development Program and the college is ranked as the best performer of Ontario's 228 post secondary institutions by the MTCU in its annual Student Loan Default Rates.