

Young singer visits ospreys

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LADY the Osprey has had a visit from the star of a new musical by Fiona Kennedy.

Ruairidh MacDonald (12) is the youngest cast member of 'The Kist', which starts at Glasgow's Oran Mor on 26 July.

A tale of journeys told through a mix of music from ancient tribal Gaelic to Paulo Nutini, its song 'Fly, Lady Fly' was inspired by the incredible 3000-mile journey the osprey makes every year.

It was fitting then that the young performer came to see the bird honoured in the song.

Ruairidh, from Aviemore, is rehearsing with Scottish singer Fiona in Glasgow, but took time off last Sunday to visit the famous Loch of the Lowes bird.

Staff at the Dunkeld reserve were delighted to meet Ruairidh and his family, who braved the rain and visited the wildlife hides.

As well as the Osprey family, the young singer also saw red squirrels and siskins.

A spokesperson for the Scottish Wildlife Trust said: "Ruairidh clearly enjoyed his visit, he seemed really interested and engaged by all the wildlife.

"We wish him well in The Kist. We hope to be able to get along to see it."

Lady the Osprey is believed to be the oldest breeding osprey in the UK. The Kist is on until Sunday, then from August 2-5.