

THE SPEAKERS

Professor Patrick Crotty is a native of Fermoy, and is currently Professor of Irish & Scottish Literature at the University of Aberdeen, where he teaches on the Celtic and English programmes.

Professor Tadhg O'Keeffe teaches in the School of Archaeology University College Dublin, where he specialises in medieval architecture.

Dr. Paul Rondelez is an independent scholar specialising in late medieval iron production in Ireland. The Irish blast-furnace iron industry has been a main research topic.

Anja Bakker is a Dutch Canadian recorder player, harpist and singer. She is a multiple award winning graduate of CIT with a love for Early Music and an interest in Bardic Harping Traditions and Medieval Pilgrimages.

Micheál Ó Súilleabháin is Chair of Music and Founder/Director of the Irish World Academy of Music and Dance at the University of Limerick, and is widely known for his development of a uniquely Irish traditional piano style.

Professor Raymond Gillespie is Professor at the Dept. of History, NUI Maynooth. His main research interest is social change in Early Modern Ireland.

Professor Pádraig Ó Macháin was formerly Professor at the Dublin Institute for Advanced Studies where he was responsible for the digitisation of the Book of Fermoy. He is currently Professor of Modern Irish, and Head of the School of Irish Learning at University College Cork.

Dr. John McCafferty is Director of the Micheál Ó Cléirigh Institute at University College Dublin, a collaboration between the Irish Franciscans and the university. He specialises in the history of religion in late medieval and early modern Ireland.

Dr. James Kelly, MRIA, is Cregan Professor of History at St Patrick's College, Dublin City University. His main research interests lie in the areas of Irish political and social history in the period 1660-1820

John R Bowen is a noted silver scholar, particularly in the area of Irish Provincial Silver, and has curated exhibitions of silver at the Crawford Art Gallery and at the Hunt Museum.

LOCATION

The conference opening reception will take place at AIB Bank, Pearse Square.

All lectures will be held in the Fermoy Community Youth Centre. The Centre is located in the heart of Fermoy, on the south bank of the Blackwater about 200 metres upriver from the bridge, past the Grand Hotel.

DIRECTIONS TO THE VENUE:

If coming from the Dublin or Mallow directions take a right turn immediately after crossing the bridge; if coming from the Cork direction proceed to the centre of town, follow the signs for Dublin, then turn left immediately before coming to the bridge.

Proceed past the Grand Hotel to the point where the street narrows. The Centre is on the left at the corner.

Parking is available on-street or in the nearby library carpark. Both are free up to 1 pm on Saturday and all day Sunday.

ACCOMMODATION

The Grand Hotel is only two minutes walk from the venue. Corbett Court Hotel is located about 8km north of Fermoy, on the R639.

There are several B & Bs and guesthouses in and around the town, including the Manor, Springmount and Abbeyville B&Bs.

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**Fermoy Community
Youth Centre**

**Friday April 29th
to
Sunday May 1st 2016**

FRIDAY APRIL 29th

6.30 pm Conference launch and reception at AIB bank, Pearse Square. Includes Exhibition of Church Silver from the Fermoy area, and talk by noted silver expert John R. Bowen on:

The silver and plate of the Church of Ireland, Fermoy Union of Parishes.

Due to space and security restrictions the reception will be by invitation only.

8.15 pm Fermoy Community Youth Centre

Keynote speaker: **Professor Patrick J Crotty, University of Aberdeen**
Long Divisions on O'Rowrk: Encounters between English and Gaelic poetry in Ireland 1650-1750

Afterwards adjourning to Elbow Lane Inn for an evening of poetry and music.

SATURDAY APRIL 30TH

8.30-9.30 am Registration

9.30 am *Ireland in exile and in hiding in the literary tradition*
Dr. Pádraig Ó Macháin, UCC

10.10 am *Restoration houses and the origins of Georgian architecture: the view from the Cork region*
Dr. Tadhg O'Keeffe, UCD

10.50 am Discussion

11.00 am Break. Tea/coffee provided

11.30 am *The most celebrated Irish tunes – the first published collection of Irish music*

Dr. Mícheál Ó Súilleabháin, UL

12.10 pm *The Fermoy blast-furnace: an archaeological and historical detective story*
Dr. Paul Rondelez.

12.50 pm Discussion

1.00-2.00pm Lunch break.

2.00 pm *Making Glanworth modern: the making of the early modern world at Glanworth castle*
Dr. Raymond Gillespie, NUI Maynooth

2.40 pm *A habit of return - the Irish Franciscans and the Tudor Dissolution of Religious Houses*
Dr. John McCafferty, UCD

3.20 pm Break. Tea/coffee provided

3.50 pm *Sport in Ireland before the GAA: recreational activity, 1600-1840*
Dr. James Kelly, St Patrick's College, Dublin City University

4.30 pm *Carolan's Harp*
Anja Bakker

5.10 pm Discussion and summing up

8.00 pm Conference dinner at the Grand Hotel, Fermoy with special guest after-dinner speaker, **Dr. David Butler, UCC**

SUNDAY MAY 1ST

Field Trip 9.30 am – 2 pm

The conference will end with a field trip to Done-raile. The trip will include guided tours of Doneraile Court gardens (the house can only be viewed from outside), the Georgian town, the Church of Ireland church and the beautiful Georgian Creagh House in the town. The trip will include tea/coffee in the Georgian splendour of the Townhouse café on Doneraile's Main Street.

REGISTRATION & BOOKING FEES

Friday evening keynote address.....€5

Saturday, all lectures, tea/coffee.....€40

Saturday, half-day, with tea/coffee.....€25

Field trip (including tea/coffee).....€25

Conference dinner.....€35

Numbers limited, early booking advised.

Registration and payment at the door, or register online at www.avondhu.org and pay on arrival.

Tickets also available at **Barnes Jewellers**, Patrick Street, Fermoy

Alternatively, and for further information, contact: **Eamonn Cotter** on 086-8173663 or eocotter@gmail.com