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Atterbury: Atterbury Student Success Center

Chancellor's Dining Room: in Atterbury.

MNL: Miller Nichols Library

MNLC: Miller Nichols Learning Center

Pierson Hall: in Atterbury

Swinney: Swinney Recreation Center

Off Campus Venues

Irish Center of Kansas City Drexel Hall 15 W. Linwood Kansas City, MO 64111

National World War I Museum 2 Memorial Drive Kansas City, MO 64108

President's Welcome Fáilte an Uachtaráin

Fearaim fáilte fhíorchaoin romhaibh go léir as gach cearn den domhan mór go dtí an cruinniú bliantúil den Chomhdháil Mheiriceánach do Léann na hÉireann, an cúigiú comhdháil náisiúnta is caoga dár gcuid. I mbliana táimid bailithe le chéile ar champas Ollscoil.... Seo an tríú huair don chomhdháil náisiúnta, cé gur comhdháil idirnáisiúnta í le fada an lá, a bheith in Indiana. Gabhann an Coiste Gnó buíochas leis an Ollamh Joan FitzPatrick Dean agus lena coiste. I 1990 agus I 1976 thangamar le cheile in Ollscoil Missouri-St Louis ach seo an chead uiar duinn a bheith in Ollscoil Missouri-Kanas City. Ag crioch na comhdhala, tiocfaidh an tOllamh Tim McMahon (Ollscoil Marquette) i gcomharbha orm. Guim gach rath air agus ar an gcoiste feidhmiuchain nua.

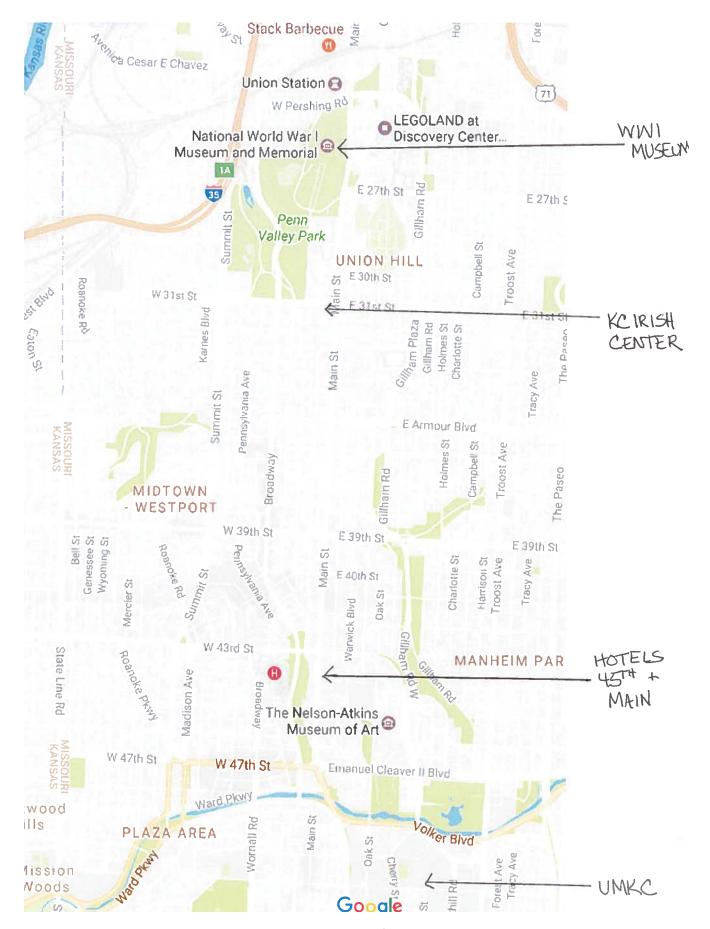
On behalf of the Executive Committee of the American Conference for Irish Studies, I welcome delegates from all over the world to our 2017 National Meeting. This year marks our fifty-fifth annual meeting and our emerald anniversary. Having convened at the University of Missouri-St Louis in 1976 and 1990, 2017 marks our first visit to the University of Missouri-Kanas City. The ACIS Executive thanks Professor Joan FitzPatrick Dean and her organizing committee for all their efforts to integrate local meseums and centers into this meeting. At the conference's conclusion Professor Tim McMahon (Marquette University) will become the 26th president of the ACIS. I sincerely thank him and he ACIS officers for their sterling service over the past two years and wish the incoming executive every success in their endeavors.

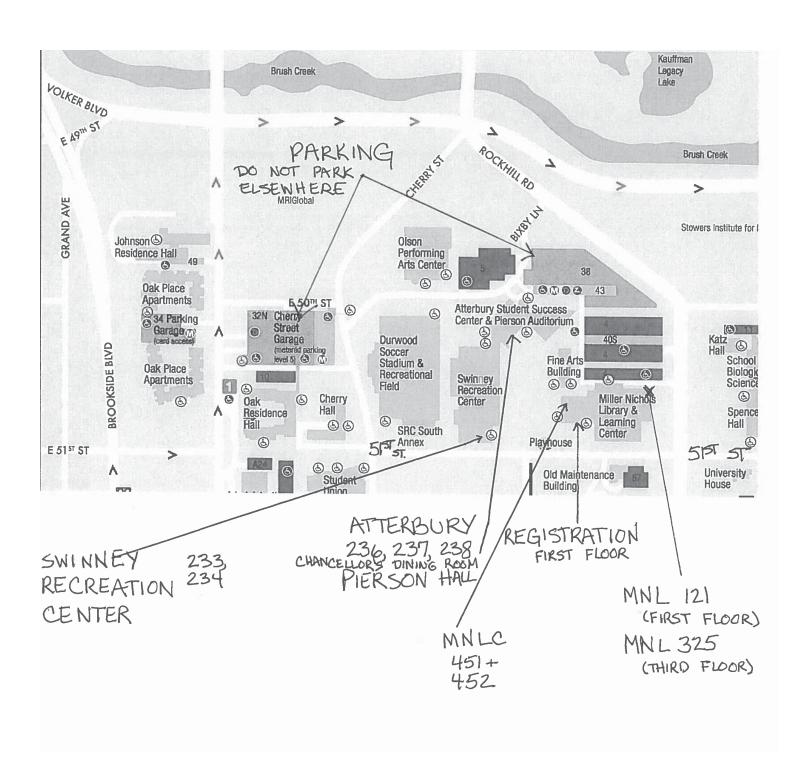
Go mbaine muid taitneamh agus tairbhe as na himeachtaí ar fad.

Brian O Conchubhair, Ph.D.

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25th President, American Conference for Irish Studies 25ú Uachtarán, Chomhdháil Mheiriceánach do Léann na hÉireann





Wednesday, March 29

12 noon: Registration Opens, Miller Nichols Library, First Floor Lobby

1:00-2:15 p.m. Session 1

1A: Urbanity, Post-Secularism, and Poetics

Atterbury 238

Chair: Michael A. Moir, Jr., Georgia Southwestern State University

Qingyuan Jiang, University of Notre Dame, Free Lay Church in the Ceremonial City: *Ulysses*, Urbanity, and the Quest for Civic Religion

John Kerrigan, Rockhurst University, Postsecularism in the Work of Conor McPherson

John Moessner, University of Missouri, Kansas City, Heaney's Glanmore Sonnets as Ars Poetica

1B: Figures of Suppression and Inclusion in Post-Independence Irish Social History Atterbury 237

Chair: Ida Milne, National University of Ireland Maynooth

Lisa Weihman, West Virginia University, A Fox Among Woolfs: R. M. Fox, *Rebel Irishwomen*, and The Hogarth Press in the 1930s

Caleb Richardson, University of New Mexico, Smyllie's Ireland: Elites and Minority Integration in Independent Ireland

Aidan Beatty, Trinity College Dublin, Where Does the State End and the Church Begin?: The Strange Career of R. S. Devane

1C: Irish Traditional Music in Contemporary America

Atterbury 236

Chair: Stephen Dilks, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Ellen O'Brien Kelly, New York University, From Ballinakill to Boonton: Irish Traditional Music in New Jersey Scott Campbell, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Pubs and Prosceniums

1D: Roundtable on Contemporary Irish Poetry #1: Caitríona O'Reilly's *Geis* (2015)

Moderator: Guinn Batten, Washington University in St. Louis Chancellor's Dining Room

Panelists:

Helen Emmitt, Centre College

Jefferson Holdridge, Wake Forest University Press

Eric Falci, University of California, Berkeley

Keegan Hughes, Washington University in St. Louis

2:30-3:45 p.m. Plenary 1

George Bornstein, University of Michigan, Constructing W. B. Yeats's The Wild Swans at Coole Volume

Location: Jeanette Nichols Forum, MNLC 151

Chair: Heather Corbally Bryant, Wellesley College

4:00-5:15 p.m. Session 2

2A: Fictions of Personal and Political Identity in Twentieth-Century Irish Literature

Chair: Kersti Tarien Powell, St. Joseph's University

Chancellor's Dining Room

Michael T. Williamson, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Fictive Kinship, Pseudo Sex, and Sedimented Identity in J.G. Farrell's *Troubles*

Ann Rea, University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown, Ghosts, Informers, and the "Endless Possibilities" of Unstable Epistemology in Seamus Deane's *Reading in the Dark*

Estibalitz Ezkerra, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, No Country for the Old Rebel: The Fenian in Seán O'Faoláin's *Bird Alone*

2B: Nineteenth Century Discourses of Race and Resistance

Atterbury 236

Chair: Timothy McMahon, Marquette University

T. J. Boynton, Wichita State University, British Celticism after Arnold: Race, Form, and Empire in Fin-desiècle British Fiction

Stephen Dilks, University of Missouri-Kansas City, Love, Valor, and Wit in *The Shamrock*

Laura Hastings, University of Missouri-St. Louis, Romance and Reality: An Examination of the Irish Folklore Commission and Social Functions of Fairy Stories

2C: Politics and Resistance in the Nineteenth Century Diaspora

Atterbury 238

Chair: Caleb Richardson, University of New Mexico

M. K. Thompson, Pittsburg State University, Democracy and Irish Home Rule: the Case for and Against the Irish in Edinburgh

William Jenkins, York University, Toronto, "Such Bastard Despotism": Fenian Views of Canadian Confederation

Barbara Hoffmann, University of Miami, The Fenians at Sea: Oceanic Irish Nationalism and The Wild Goose

2D: Revisiting Representations of and Responses to the Revival

Atterbury 237

Chair: Kristine Byron, Michigan State University

Joseph A. Mendes, University of Miami, Celtic Incursions in Lady Gregory's *Cuchulain of Muirthemne*

Mary Mullen, Villanova University, George Moore's Anti-School Stories

Andrew A. Kuhn, Boston College, The Revivals of Jack B. Yeats in Poetry and Prose

5:30-6:45 p.m. Plenary 2

James Silas Rogers, University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, and *New Hibernia Review*, The "Ethnic Fade" that Never Quite Happened

Location: Jeanette Nichols Forum, MNLC 151

Chair: Kelly Matthews, Framingham State University

7:00-8:30 p.m., Opening Reception, Pierson Hall, Atterbury

Thursday, March 30

8:15-9 a.m., Continental Breakfast, MNLC, Third Floor Lobby

9:00-10:30 a.m. Session 3

3A: Strangers, Others, and Outsiders in Post-Celtic Tiger Irish Fiction

Atterbury 237

Chair: Amanda Tucker, University of Wisconsin-Plattville

Moira Casey, Miami University Regionals, Inside the Outsider: Centering the "Gom" in Donal Ryan's The Thing About December

Molly Ferguson, Ball State University, Migrants in the City: Dublin through the Inward Migrant's Eyes in Hugo Hamilton's *Hand in the Fire*

Eva Roa White, Indiana University Kokomo, The Self as "Other": Roddy Doyle's The Guts

3B: Displacing Memory: Ireland and World War I

MNL 121

Chair: Kenneth Shonk, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse

Justin Dolan Stover, Idaho State University, "Wonderful Ruin": War Damage in Paris and Dublin

Jason Myers, Independent Scholar, Ireland and the Somme: 2016

Marguerite Helmers, University of Wisconsin-Madison, The Nationalist Poetry of *Battle Songs for the Irish Brigades* (1915)

Christine D. Myers, Monmouth College, Commemorating Our War: Approaches to Teaching Ireland and World War I

3C: The Expression of Self through Material Culture in Post-Agreement Northern Ireland

MNLC 451

Chair: Lachlan Whalen, Indiana University-Purdue University, Fort Wayne

Erin Hinson, Queen's University Belfast, Making Objects, Making Selves: Post-Agreement Motivations for Loyalist Ex-Prisoner Engagement with Material Culture in Northern Ireland

N. J. Anderson, Independent Scholar, Re-Imaging: Art, Space, and Policy in Post-Agreement Belfast Robert W. White, Indiana University, Visualizing Irish Republican "Dissidents"

3D: Roundtable on Contemporary Irish Poetry #2: Sinéad Morrissey's *Parallax* (2013)

MNL 325

Moderators: Julia Obert, University of Wyoming, and Eric Falci, University of California, Berkeley Panelists:

Ellen Scheible, Bridgewater State University

Carolann Madden, University of Houston

Laura O'Connor, University of California, Irvine

3E: Re-Envisioning Ireland in Drama and Short Stories

Atterbury 236

Chair: Ann Rea, University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown

Nelson Barre, University of Oregon, "It's Possible to Rewrite this World and Escape It": David Bowie and Enda Walsh's *Lazarus*

Shawn O'Hare, Carson-Newman University, "Won't You Join Together with the Band": Joseph O'Connor's *The Thrill of It All* and When Bands Were Bands

Vivian Valvano Lynch, St. John's University, Fields of "Wild Mountain Thyme," Heather, Rosemary, and the Honeybee: John Patrick Shanley's *Outside Mullingar*

Christie Fox, Westminster College, Hannah Berman's Zlotover Story

3F: Censorship and Resistance in Post-Independence Ireland

Atterbury 238

Chair: Michael T. Williamson, Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Anessma Kemna, St. Louis University, The Battle Cry of Silence: Nationalism and Censorship in Teresa Deevy's *Katie Roche*

Thomas Dillon Redshaw, University of St. Thomas, St. Paul (*New Hibernia Review*), Censorship, Impiety, and Gaelachas: Frank O'Connor's *The Midnight Court*

3G: Mother Ireland and the Re-Making of Irish Identity

Swinney 233

Chair: Paul Townend, University of North Carolina Wilmington

Maureen E. Ruprecht Fadem, City University of New York / Kingsborough, Emerging Equality, Border Equity: Ireland in a Changing Global Landscape

Joseph Kelly, College of Charleston, On the Necessity for De-Hibernicizing America: Race and the Trump Card

Natalie McCabe Tartiere, University of Missouri-Columbia, Where Have All the Mothers Gone?: Mothers Artists Makers Ireland (MAM) and the Fight to Balance Motherhood and Theatre

3H: Teaching Irish Literature, History, and Culture to Undergraduates

Swinney 234

Dirk M. Killen, Washington University in St. Louis, Defining a Short Story Tradition

Amy Heath-Carpentier, Washington University in St. Louis, Distinguishing the Interplay between Cultural and Physical Nationalism(s) with Undergraduates: Rendering Themes from Roy Foster's *Vivid Faces:*The Revolutionary Generation in Ireland: 1890-1923 and Margaret Ward's Unmanageable Revolutionaries

Erin M. Finneran, Washington University in St. Louis, Translating Irish Identity with/for Undergraduates:
Brian Friel's *Translations*

10:45 a.m.-noon Session 4

4A: Contemporary Novel: Blurred Boundaries in Banville and Healy

Atterbury 237

Chair: Joseph Mendes, University of Miami

Kurt McGee, Trinity College Dublin, "Bad Politics and Bad Art": John Banville's Novels as Quest for the Individual

Kersti Tarien Powell, St. Joseph's University, Between History and Science: John Banville's Mefisto

William Kerwin, University of Missouri-Columbia, Dermot Healy and Style: The Boundaries of Subjectivity in the Irish West

4B: Historical Re-Constructions and Re-Interpretations of the Famine

MNLC 452

Chair: Timothy O'Neil, Central Michigan University

Niamh O'Sullivan, National College of Art and Design, Ireland and Curator of Ireland's Great Hunger Museum, Etched in Memory: The Art of the Great Hunger

Peter Gray, Queen's University Belfast, William Sharman Crawford and the Great Famine

4C: New Perspectives on John McGahern

Atterbury 238

Chair: Anna Teekell, Christopher Newport University

Ellen Scheible, Bridgewater State University, John McGahern and the Sin of Self-Pleasure in *The Dark*

Ariana R. Mashilker, Stevenson University, Solitary Souls: Intersections of Family, Sexuality and Agency in the Writings of John McGahern and Claire Keegan

Heather Corbally Bryant, Wellesley College, The View from Childhood's End: Elizabeth Bowen's *Seven Winters* and John McGahern's *Memoir*

4D: Border Voices: Sectarianism and Hybridity in Ulster and North America

MNL 121

Chair: Katherine Side, Memorial University of Newfoundland

Jackson B. Feezell, Emory & Henry College, Border Voices: Cross-Border Identity in North-West Ulster

Amy Clukey, University of Louisville, The U.S. South and Northern Ireland

Amanda Tucker, University of Wisconsin-Platteville, Irish-American Identity in Multi-Ethnic America: Mat Johnson's *Loving Day*

4E: Contemporary Theatre: Morality, Economics, and the Dangers of Realism

MNLC 451

Chair: Charlotte Headrick, Oregon State University

Shaun Richards, Staffordshire University, "An Almost Instant Communion Becomes a Trap": Irish Theatre and the Rejection/Recuperation of Realism

C. Austin Hill, Youngstown State University, "Mirrors Where His Eyes Should Be": The Post-Tiger Present and Colonial Past in Conor McPherson's *The Veil*

José Lanters, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, The Textual and Moral Fibre of Martin McDonagh's Hangmen

4F: Troubled Peace: (In)Justice and Conflict after the Troubles

MNL 325

Chair: Daniel Gahan, University of Evansville

Timothy J. White, Xavier University, From Intractable Conflict to a Managed Peace: Dynamic Systems Theory and Change in Northern Ireland

Lachlan Whalen, Indiana University-Purdue University, Fort Wayne, Poetic (In)Justice: The Anthology and the Disciplining of Northern Irish Literature

4G: Irish Politics: Pollution, Conflict, and Fascism

Chancellor's Dining Room

Chair: Michael de Nie, University of West Georgia

Ida Milne, National University of Ireland Maynooth, A Killer Atmosphere: The Politics and Process of Removing Smog and Saving Children's Lives in Twentieth-Century Ireland

Courtenay C. Stallings, Claremont Graduate University, The Blueshirts and the Aestheticization of Politics

1:30-2:45 p.m. Session 5

5A: Making Waves On the Air: Intrusions, Influences, and the Haunting Voice

MNLC 451

Chair: Marti D. Lee, Georgia Southern University

Michael A. Moir, Jr., Georgia Southwestern State University, "Give Us This Day Our Daily News": The Intrusive Voice of the Radio in Louis MacNeice's Poems

Kelly Matthews, Framingham State University, Brian Friel and the BBC

Andrew Kincaid, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Sound and Space: Channeling Motion in Beckett's Radio Plays

5B: Yeats and Joyce: Reconstructing Irish Identity

MNL 121

Chair: Kurt Voss-Hoynes, University of Miami

Wu Qingjun, China Foreign Affairs University, James Joyce and the Cultural Construction of Diasporic Irishness

Thomas O'Grady, University of Massachusetts-Boston, Richard Madden's War: Borges, Joyce, and the Labyrinth of History

James P. Farrelly, University of Dayton, *The Dreaming of the Bones* (1917): A Centennial Counterpoint to the Ambiguity in Yeats's "Easter 1916"

5C: Transatlantic Perspectives: Irish-American Interactions during the Twentieth Century

MNL 325

Chair: Jason Myers, Independent Scholar

Troy Davis, Stephen F. Austin State University, Arranging Their Mutual Differences in Their Own Traditional Way: American Consuls' Commentary on the Irish Civil War

Timothy O'Neil, Central Michigan University, Dorothy Godfrey's Civil War: The World of an Irish-American Republican Activist, 1923-1924

Matthew O'Brien, Franciscan University of Steubenville, Ohio, Transnationalism and Its Discontents: New Irish Migration to the U.S. and the Legalization Campaign, 1986-94

5D: Litríocht Taistil agus Pleanáil Teanga sa Ghaeilge

Atterbury 236

Chair: Ian Corliss, Catholic University of America

Vicky Ní Bhrádaigh, Mary Immaculate College, Cathair Chorcaí mar chás-staidéar i leith "Straitéis 20 Bliain don Ghaeilge, 2010-2030" a chur i bhfeidhm: anailís ar thorthaí suirbhé

Eimear Kennedy, New York University, Teagmháil Idirchultúrtha i Litríocht Taistil na Gaeilge

5E: Diasporas: The Irish in Michigan, Indiana, and New York

MNLC 452

Chair: William Jenkins, York University

William H. Mulligan, Jr., Murray State University, Daughters of the Diaspora: Irish Women in the Michigan Copper Country, 1845-1920

Daniel Gahan, University of Evansville, Irish Immigrants in Southwestern Indiana in the Mid-Nineteenth Century: A Case Study of a Seventeen-County Region Based on the U.S. Census Data of 1850

Sean O'Brien, SUNY Canton, Irish Settlement Roads: Geographies of Race, Ethnicity, and Social Status in New York's North Country

5F: Witnesses to History: Irish Science and Social Science

Atterbury 237

Chair: William Kerwin, University of Missouri-Columbia

Claire Connolly, University College Cork, Deep Maps and Scaled Stories: Climate Change in Nineteenth-Century Irish Literature

Sara S. Goek, Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy, Irish Oral Heritage in the Digital Age: Opportunities and Challenges

Emilie Pine, University College Dublin, Witnessing Histories: Re-Reading the Ryan Report on Institutional Child Abuse

5G: Flipping the (Gender) Script: Theatre as a Catalyst for Political Transformation Atterbury 238

Chair: Vivian Valvano-Lynch, St. John's University

Charlotte J. Headrick, Oregon State University, The Global Reach of Patricia Burke Brogan's Eclipsed

Beth McFarland-Wilson, Northern Illinois University, The Rejected Daughters of the Magdalene Laundry: An Interpretation of Systemic Dysfunction and Transformation in Patricia Burke Brogan's *Eclipsed*

Sally Barr Ebest, University of Missouri-St. Louis, Irish-American Women and the Domestic Suspense Novel

3:00-4:30 p.m. Session 6

6A: Poetic Relationships and the Creative Process

MNL 121

Chair: Maureen E. Ruprecht Fadem, City University of New York / Kingsborough

David McLoghlin, Independent Scholar and Poet, A Transatlantic Menagerie: The Animal Poetry of Bishop, Lowell, Heaney, and Grennan

Rebecca Ziegler, Georgia Southern University, Derek Mahon and J.G. Farrell: A Friendship and its Artistic Fruit

So Young Park, Gustavus Adolphus College, Poetry and Ornithology: Yeats, Tynan, Ussher, and Warren

6B: The Use and Abuse of Irish Newspapers

MNLC 451

Chair: Christine D. Myers, Monmouth College

Michael de Nie, University of West Georgia, New Problems and Possibilities in Irish Press History

Felix M. Larkin, Independent Scholar, Newspaper History; a Personal Odyssey

James Curry, National University of Ireland Galway, Maeve Cavanagh: James Connolly's Poetess of the Irish Revolution

Karen Steele, Texas Christian University, What the *Wellesley Index* and *Waterloo Directory* Left Out: The Poetics of the *Irish News*

6C: "It's Just There!": Interdisciplinary Perspectives on the Construction of Place in Ireland MNL 325

Chair: Caroline Miller, Indiana University

Jesse Fivecoate, Indiana University, Troubled Lands: The Production of Violent Geographies in Irish Ghost Narratives

Caroline Miller, Indiana University, Between Roots and Routes: (Mis)Understandings of Irish Travellers and Connection to Place

E. Moore Quinn, College of Charleston, "Love's Terrible Need": Real and Imagined Margins in Patrick Kavanagh's "On Raglan Road"

Aaron Thornburg, Eastern Oregon University, Documenting Dublin: Digital Place-Making in Dublin?

6D: Travellers at Risk: Challenging Commodification of the Irish "Other"

Atterbury 236

Chair: Erin Finneran, Washington University in St. Louis

James P. Rynne, Independent Scholar, Never a Fair Fight: The Marginalization and Misunderstanding of Irish Travellers as Seen in the Boxing Documentary *Knuckle*

Loretta Goff, University College Cork, Enter at Your Own Risk: Horror Film and the American Tourist in Ireland

Roslyn Blyn-LaDrew, University of Pennsylvania, The Off-Worlding of Irish Studies, or 50 Years of Irishness in *Star Trek*

6E: Contemporary Irish Poetry Post-Ireland

MNLC 452

Chair: Wanda Balzano, Wake Forest University Brian Ó Conchubhair, University of Notre Dame Eric Falci, University of California, Berkeley

Jefferson Holdridge, Wake Forest University Press

Kelly Sullivan, New York University

6F: Violence and the Making of the Irish Free State

Atterbury 238

Chair: Jason Knirck, Central Washington University

Peter Strickland, University of Illinois at Chicago, "Unprovoked and Savage": Violence, Gender, and the Ulster Unionist Response to the Castledawson Incident of 1912

John T. Crawford, University of South Carolina, A Rhetorical Space of Irish Revolution: James Stephens's *Insurrection in Dublin* and the Imagination of Distance

Sean Farrell Moran, Oakland University, Recruiting Revolutionaries and Terrorists: Tom Clarke and the Making of Republican Violence

6G: How Place Travels Atterbury 237

Chair: Eamonn Wall, University of Missouri-St. Louis

Mary O'Malley, Independent Scholar and Poet, "Dark One Are you Restless...": How Place Travels

6:00-7:15 p.m. Plenary 3
Fearghal McGarry, Queen's University Belfast, A World Reborn: Globalizing Ireland's Revolution



Location: National World War I Museum and Memorial, 2 Memorial Drive, Kansas City, Missouri 64108 Chair: Timothy McMahon, Marquette University Reception at the World War I Museum to follow.





Friday, March 31

8:15-9 a.m., Continental Breakfast, MNLC, Third Floor Lobby

8:00-9:00 a.m. Past Presidents Breakfast, Chancellor's Dining Room

9:00-10:15 a.m. Session 7

7A: Masculinity, Violence, and Dystopia

Swinney 233

Chair: Sarah L. Townsend, University of New Mexico

Jason Matthew Buchanan, City University of New York / Hostos, "Giving Up on Reality": The Angry Men of Post-Austerity Irish Fiction

Kevin Farrell, Jefferson College of Health Sciences, Cowboys in Kingston and Gangsters in Belfast: Aestheticized Violence in *Resurrection Man* and *A Brief History of Seven Killings*

Kurt Voss-Hoynes, University of Miami, Homicidal Teenage Hipsters: Distopia and Memory in Kevin Barry's *The City of Bohane*

7B: Narrative Strategies I

MNL 325

Chair: Mary Mullen, Villanova University

Anna Bedsole Stone, University of Kentucky, "The Things I Don't Know": Unbearable Inheritance and Unreliable Narrators in Maria Edgeworth's Castle Rackrent and Anne Enright's The Gathering

Alicia Oh, Boston College, The Art of Detachment in Kate O'Brien's The Land of Spices

Megan Crotty, Boston College, Double Agents and the Domestic Space: Weaponizing Silence and Absence in John McGahern's *Amongst Women*

7C: Mid-Nineteenth Century Irish America

MNL 121

Chair: Sean Farrell, Northern Illinois University

Cathal Smith, National University of Ireland Galway, Antebellum Irish Americans: Anti-Abolitionist or Pro-Slavery?

Matthew Knight, University of South Florida, Union, Reconstruction, Dissolution, or Sworn Secrecy: The Fight for the Future of Fenianism in the Irish-American Press

7D: "The Humanity of the Moment": Irish Photography

MNLC 452

Chair: Kathryn Conrad, University of Kansas

Emily Mark-FitzGerald, University College Dublin, "Seeing" Irish Eviction: Photography, the Magic Lantern, and Intermediality in the Late Nineteenth Century

Jeannine Kraft, Columbus College of Art and Design, "Authentic" Landscapes in Contemporary Irish Art: Photography and Socially Engaged Practice in the West of Ireland

Katherine Side, Memorial University of Newfoundland, Photographing Bobby Sands

7E: Women's Bodies in Twenty-First Century Ireland

Atterbury 237

Chair: Sally Barr Ebest, University of Missouri-St. Louis

Elizabeth Fredericks, Valparaiso University, Birth and the Body: Motherhood in the Poetry of Sinead Morrissey

Kathryn Kirkpatrick, Appalachian State University, Memory in Paula Meehan's Geomantics

April D. Fallon, Kentucky State University, Virgin, Mother, Magdalene: Paula Meehan and Sinead Morrissey and the Status of Women in Twenty-First Century Ireland

7F: World War I, Trauma, and Irish Theatre

Atterbury 238

Chair: José Lanters, University of Wisconsin-Millwauke

Jonathan Patterson, University of Kansas, "In the War Zone": The Slow Ruination of Harry Heegan in Sean O'Casey's *The Silver Tassie*

Bridget Keown, Northeastern University, "His Sister Was Suffering from Shell Shock": Irish Women and War Trauma During World War I

Chu He, Indiana University, South Bend, Trauma Studies and Irish Drama

7G: Ireland and Contemporary Politics

Swinney 234

Chair: Timothy J. White, Xavier University

Peter John McLoughlin, Queen's University Belfast, Before Hope and History Rhymed: Irish-America and the Political Foundations for Clinton's Northern Ireland Peace Initiative

Cóilín Owens, George Mason University, Irish Foreign Policy and Public Opinion Regarding Israel/Palestine Since 1948: The Reversal

Amanda Crabb, Northeastern University, Irish Lobby Groups in the U.S.

7H: Irish Cultural Nationalism and World War I

MNLC 451

Chair: Mike Cronin, Boston College

Máire Nic an Bhaird, National University of Ireland Maynooth, Reading between the Lines: Hyde's Writings (1914-1918)

Liam Mac Mathúna, University College Dublin, Great War Strains and Easter Rising Breaking Point: Hyde's Ideological Ambivalences Are Forced to Regroup

Timothy McMahon, Marquette University, Politics in the Gaelic Revival: Hyde's 1914 Address to the Cork Volunteers in Context

Brian Ó Conchubhair, University of Notre Dame, Capturing the Trenches: Gaelic League Politics, the Volunteers and World War I

10:30-11:45 a.m. Plenary 4

Elaine Sisson, Institute of Art, Design + Technology, "Wild Tumult": Culture and Experiment in the Early Free State

Location: Jeanette Nichols Forum, MNLC 151

Chair: Joan FitzPatrick Dean, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Noon-1:45 p.m. Business Luncheon

Pierson Hall

Open to all ACIS members

2-3:15 p.m. Session 8

8A: Narrative Strategies II

Swinney 233

Chair: Joseph Heininger, Dominican University

Emily Brower, Baylor University, "Transmuting the Daily Bread of Experience into the Radiant Body of Everliving Life": Narrative Consolation in *A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man*

Eric A. Lewis, University of Notre Dame, The Violence of Narration/Rape in Flann O'Brien's *At Swim-Two-Birds*

Mari Lewis, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Visual and Narrative Negotiations of the Self and the Community: The Individual in Space in Bernard MacLaverty's *Cal*

8B: Roundtable on Contemporary Irish Poetry #3: Moya Cannon's Keats Lives (2015)

MNL 325

Moderator: Christine Cusick, Seton Hill University

Panelists:

Kelly Sullivan, New York University

Tramble Turner, Pennsylvania State University, Abington

Brendan Corcoran, Indiana State University

Donna Potts, Washington State University

John Waters, New York University

8C: Irish-American Interactions

MNLC 451

Chair: Sean Farrell, Northern Illinois University

Mike Cronin, Boston College, An Irish-American Life: James Brendan Connolly

David Brundage, University of California, Santa Cruz, From Kansas City to Versailles: Frank P. Walsh and the Anti-Colonial Impulse, 1889-1919

Harry S. Laver, United States Army Command and General Staff College, Irish Liberty with an American Accent: How American Ideology Informed and Energized Irish Fenianism

8D: Teaching the Troubles: An Interdisciplinary Pedagogy Roundtable

MNLC 452

Chair: Anna Teekell, Christopher Newport University

Kathryn Conrad, University of Kansas

Justin Dolan Stover, Idaho State University

Anna Teekell, Christopher Newport University

8E: Crossing Disciplines

Swinney 234

Chair: E. Moore Quinn, College of Charleston

Phelim Dolan, City University of New York / Graduate Center, Gheeraerts' Portrait of Captain Thomas Lee: The Racialization of the Irish in the Early Modern Period

Elizabeth Miller, University of Missouri-St. Louis, Supernatural Interference: The Otherworld and the Liminal in Early Irish Literature

Donna L. Potts, Washington State University, The Sound of Stone: The Role of Music in Environmental Activism in the Burren

8F: William Butler Yeats

Atterbury 237

Chair: So Young Park, Gustavus Adolphus University

Jefferson Holdridge, Wake Forest University Press, Spirit Medium: Writing, Painting, Embodiment, and the Inhuman in Yeats's Later Poetry

Sørina Higgins, Baylor University, Spirits on Stage: Rosicrucian Magic in *The Countess Cathleen*

Meghan H. McGuire, University of North Carolina Greensboro, W.B. Yeats's Unexpected Bergsonian Vision

Clayton McReynolds, Baylor University, Yeats's "Organic" Rebellion: Locating Yeats's Synthetic Symbolism in Barfield's *Evolution of Consciousness*

8G: The Failures of Revolution: The Unrealized Aspirations in Connection with 1916

MNL 121

Chair: R. Bryan Willits, National September 11 Memorial and Museum and New York University

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- New approaches to Irish Studies, including ecocriticism;

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- Migration, diaspora, genealogies of Irishness;
- Human and nonhuman relations in Irish history, film and literature;
- Climate change; weather; the sustainability, fragility and resilience of natural and human systems;
- Health history and disease; epidemics in history; the Great Flu of 1918-19;
- Domestic, rural and urban space; spatial justice in Irish Studies;

- The publishing environments of Irish Studies;
- Creative environments;
- Commemoration and postcommemoration as shaping forces;
- How can Irish Studies navigate contemporary scholarly environments, including the transnational turn?

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