

Clare Libraries

History Week

Seachtain na Staire

16 - 20 October 2023

ALL EVENTS
FREE



Contributors include:

Myles Dungan

David McCullagh

Flor MacCarthy

Paul Minihan

Joe Ó Muircheartaigh

Martin Walsh

Ida Milne

Peter McGarry

Kirsten Mulrennan

Críostóir Mac Cárthaigh

Deirdre Ní Chongaile

John Rattigan

With exhibitions on the Mid Clare Brigade, Prof Tomás Ó Máille and Compensation Claims from the Revolutionary Years.

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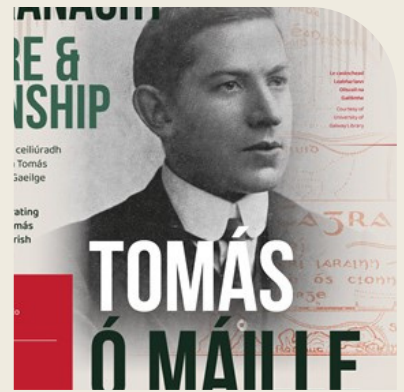


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Monday 16 October

11am Online Lecture by Martin Walsh, UL
Mary Roughan, President of Ennis Cumann na mBan (1880-1949): A forgotten nationalist

2pm Online Lecture by Paul Minihan – 1917 hunger strike



Tuesday 17 October

11am Online Lecture by Brian Crowley and Aoife Torpey, Curators of Kilmainham Gaol
'Hearts Ne'er Waver' The Women Prisoners of the Irish Civil War

1.30pm Clare Museum Lecture by Deirdre Ní Chonghaile (bilingual)
Tomás Ó Máille (1880-1938), folklore collector, linguist, newspaper editor, professor

6.30pm DeValera Library Lecture by Ida Milne
Protestants in the Revolutionary Period and the Free State: a search for place

Wednesday 18 October

11am Online Curators Talk by John Rattigan on the Georgina Frost Collection

7pm Kilkee Library Lecture by Joe Ó Muircheartaigh
Gael Force – Shots that Split Clare GAA

8pm Clare Museum Lecture by Ida Milne
The Spanish Flu Epidemic



Thursday 19 October

11am Online Talk by Kirsten Mulrennan
The West Clare Brigade Papers in the University of Limerick

6.30pm Shannon Library Lecture by Peter McGarry
The History of Shannon Air Disasters 1946 to 1961

6.30pm Kilrush Library Cuimhneamh an Chláir event. Lecture by Críostóir Mac Cárthaigh
Memories of the Civil War preserved in the National Folklore Collection

7pm Online Zoom Lecture by Myles Dungan
The Other Civil War: the Land Question 1919-1923
Booking required at decadeofcentenaries@clarecoco.ie

Friday 20 October

11am
Online

Podcast by Joe Ó Muircheartaigh
Gael Force – Shots that Split Clare GAA

2pm
Online

Curators Talk by John Rattigan on the
Tom McGrath Collection

7pm
DeValera Library

Lecture by David McCullagh
"Nothing but a bullet will stop me": De Valera in 1923



Exhibitions

Clare Museum

Culture & Citizenship: Tomás Ó Máille 28 Sept - 27 Oct.

DeValera Library

List of members of Mid Clare Brigade and Cumann na mBan by
Mid Clare Brigade Commemoration Group 16-21 Oct.

Local Studies Centre

Picking up the Pieces: Committees, Claims, Relief and Rebuilding
after the War 16-21 Oct.

Miltown Malbay and
Corofin Libraries

Mid Clare Brigade Member Portraits 16-21 Oct.

Ennistymon Library:

Barrett Collection and Mid Clare Brigade Member Portraits
16-21 Oct.

Exhibitions are available to view during library opening hours.

For Clare Museum opening hours visit www.claremuseum.ie.

All physical events are free of charge.

All online content is available on the Decade of Centenaries section of www.clarelibrary.ie.

Further information from: decadeofcentenaries@clarecoco.ie.

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Monday 16 October

DeValera Library

Primary School Tour of Mid Clare Brigade Exhibition by Ciara
Carew

Friday 20 October

11.30am
Tulla Library

Talk for Children by Flor MacCarthy - Stories of the Revolution

1.40pm
Scariff Library

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These events can be pre-booked by schools.

Contributors

Myles Dungan holds a PhD in History from Trinity College, Dublin. He is the presenter of The History Show on RTÉ Radio 1 and has authored many books on 19th century Irish history and the Great War. Twice a Fulbright scholar, he is also Programme Director of the Hinterland Festival.

David McCullagh is a broadcaster with a PhD in politics from University College Dublin. He is the author of four books on Irish history. He is best known for his formidable two-volume reassessment of Eamon de Valera – as a leader of the Easter Rising, figurehead of the anti-treaty rebels during the Civil War and later, founder of Fianna Fáil and President of Ireland.

Flor MacCarthy is a journalist and author. Her bestselling book, *The Presidents' Letters*, was shortlisted for Best Irish Published Book 2021. She presents political debates on Oireachtas TV from Leinster House and the European Parliament and is a former news reporter and television presenter with RTÉ.

Paul Minihan is a native of Corofin and a member of the Mid Clare Brigade Commemoration Committee. Paul's grandfather John Minihan served as an Officer of the Mid Clare Brigade during the War of Independence and was Divisional Quartermaster of the 1st Western Division of the IRA during the Civil War.

Joe Ó Muircheartaigh is a journalist and historian. His current documentary *Gael Force – Shots that Split Clare GAA* explores the origins of the GAA split that occurred 100 years ago at the height of the Civil War when Gaelic Games became split along Civil War lines.

Martin Walsh holds a PhD in History from the University of Limerick. Martin currently works as a Project Officer with the University of Limerick Oral History Project.

Ida Milne holds a PhD from Trinity College on the social, political and medical impact of the 1918-19 influenza pandemic. She has taught history in TCD, Maynooth University, Queen's University and DCU. She currently lectures at Carlow College. Her other research interests include the social history of Protestants in the Republic, the newspaper industry and Wicklow in the Decade of Centenaries.

Peter McGarry is a Limerick based documentary filmmaker whose previous work includes *Cleared for Disaster*, based on major air crashes at Shannon Airport from 1946-1961. His love of aviation began at a young age when he worked with aircraft trading and leasing.

Cuimhneamh an Chláir / Clare Memories was founded in 2009 with the aim of recording the people and stories of an older time in Co Clare and safeguarding those stories in a publicly available archive.

Kirsten Mulrennan is the Archivist for Engagement, Exhibition and Outreach Office in the Special Collections & Archives Department of the University of Limerick. She is responsible for faculty and student engagement with primary sources.

Críostóir Mac Cárthaigh is a former Director of the National Folklore Collection at UCD. He has written extensively on aspects of Irish oral literature, oral history, vernacular architecture, traditional boats and fishing. His PhD dealt with the subject of storytelling in fishing communities in Corca Dhuibhne, Kerry.

Deirdre Ní Chongaile is a writer, musician, broadcaster and curator from the Aran Islands. Working bilingually across multiple disciplines, she is drawn to voices, contemporary and historical. Deirdre curates the exhibition on Prof. Tomás Ó Máille who was the first professor of Irish at the University of Galway from 1909-1938.

John Rattigan is Curator of Clare Museum



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