



The dlr Roger Casement Summer School / Festival 2019

dlr Lexicon, Haigh Terrace, Moran Park, Dún Laoghaire

Friday 30th August to Sunday 1st September

Tickets €35 (includes free entry to social)
or €10 per Session

Full details of the 3 day programme available
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Social:

Saturday, 31st August

Join us for an evening of music and song in
the Dún Laoghaire Club, Eblana Ave,
Dún Laoghaire

at 8.30pm - €10 per ticket

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Summer School Festival Speakers 2019



ABDULAZIZ ALMOAYYAD

Abdulaziz Almoayyad is a Saudi dissident who has been resident in Ireland for the past 5 years. He is regularly interviewed by Al Jazeera, the BBC and other media outlets on the parlous state of human rights, especially women's rights, in Saudi Arabia. Before

coming to Ireland he had a long career as a publisher and marketer. He was collaborating with the Saudi journalist Jamal Khashoggi just prior to Khashoggi's assassination in Turkey earlier this year. He is CEO of the Bees Army.



CLLR. SHAY BRENNAN

Councillor Shay Brennan is Cathaoirleach of Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council for 2019 - 2020. He has been a Fianna Fail councillor for the Dundrum electoral area since 2014 and serves on the Joint Policing Committee, DLR Mill Theatre Board, DLR

Properties Board. Shay is the former leader of the Fianna Fail group on the council and a former chair of Transport and Countywide Movement Strategic Policy Committee. He is a former student of Blackrock College, UCD and Smurfit Business School, his background is in treasury and financial services.



MATT CARTHY

Matt Carthy is a Sinn Féin MEP for the Midlands North West constituency, first elected in 2014, he was returned in May of this year. Prior to that Matt was a member of Monaghan County Council since 2014 and Carrickmacross Town Council from 1999, he

served separately terms as Mayor of Co. Monaghan and Carrickmacross.

Formally the National Organiser of his party's youth wing, Ógra Shinn Féin, he also chaired the Sinn Féin United Ireland project team for a period. A strong proponent of Irish Unity and national sovereignty Matt, in his capacity as MEP, has been a champion of Irish neutrality and challenges EU overreach where he sees it. He lives in Carrickmacross, Co. Monaghan with his wife and five children.



SARAH CLANCY

Sarah Clancy is an award-winning page and performance poet from Galway. She has published three collections of poetry, most recently *The Truth and Other Stories* (Salmon Poetry, 2014). She has another collection due out in 2019 Her work is widely anthologised

and has been published in translation in Mexico, Nicaragua, Slovenia, Poland, Italy and Spain as well as in the UK, Canada and the US in English.



FRANK COGAN

is a retired diplomat. Born in Dublin and raised in Co Meath, he was educated at St Patrick's, Cavan and graduated with a B.A. (Hons), History and English Literature, from Maynooth NUI (1967)

and an MA (English) from UCD (1970). He joined the Department of Foreign Affairs as Third Secretary in 1970 and subsequently served in New York, Geneva and Brussels. Appointed as ambassador in 1990, initially to Iran, subsequently in Brussels (EU), Italy (plus Malta, Libya and UN-FAO) and Austria (plus UN and IAEA, Vienna). He acted as Ambassador, head of the Task Force for the Irish Chairmanship of the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) in 2012, following which he retired from the Foreign Service. He has written articles in various journals on international diplomacy as well as on local history, including several contributions to *Ríocht na Midhe*, the journal of the Meath Archaeological and Historical Society (MAHS), on the Irish Revolution period. He is the current President of the Council of the MAHS, and is also a Council member of the Parnell Society, a member of the Military History Society and a Council member of the Military Heritage of Ireland Trust. He is married and lives in Dublin.



MARTINA DEVLIN

Martina Devlin is a novelist and journalist. Her bestsellers include: *About Sisterland*, set in the near future in a world ruled by women; *The House Where It Happened*, a ghost story inspired by Ireland's last conviction in a witchcraft trial; and *Banksters*, a co-authored

account of the financial collapse. Prizes include the Royal Society of Literature's VS Pritchett Prize and a Hennessy Literary Award. A current affairs commentator for the *Irish Independent*, she has been named columnist of the year by the National Newspapers of Ireland. Martina is vice-chairperson of the Irish Writers Centre.



JANE DILLON BYRNE

As a feminist, socialist and a Labour party member, Jane Dillon Byrne served on Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council for 40 years. Municipal achievements she regards with pride include: the establishment of a successful market in the People's Park; the

extension of the waterfront walkway with access to the sea for swimmers; upgrading the Metals as an amenity for walkers and cyclists; the general upgrade of the seafront; the development of the Marina; and the maintenance of the most precious East and West piers of Dún Laoghaire Harbour. Regarding the development of the Dún Laoghaire Baths site she Chaired innumerable consultative meetings over the years with Dún Laoghaire Councillors, various experts and interested parties.



BOB HANNAN

Bob Hannan is a Senior Architect in the Architects' Department of Dún Laoghaire-Bob Hannan Rathdown County Council. After graduation with Honours from University College Dublin he completed postgraduate studies in urban design at the University

of Rouen France and also holds a Masters Degree in Urban and Regional Planning. Bob gained considerable

experience in residential, retail and commercial development in the private sector before joining Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council in 2000. He now leads an award-winning team that specialises in high energy efficient housing, urban design, the design of civic buildings and public realm projects.



LIEUTENANT COLONEL DAN HARVEY

Lieutenant Colonel Dan Harvey recently retired after 40 years service in the Irish Defence Forces which saw him involved in many operations at home and abroad, serving on the border with Northern Ireland during the 'Troubles' and in South Lebanon, Kosovo, Chad and the South Caucasus. He is author of the following titles: *A Bloody Dawn - The Irish at D-Day* (2019); *Soldiering Against Subversion - The Irish Defence Forces and Internal Security During the Troubles 1969-1998* (2018); *Into Action- Irish Peacekeepers Under Fire 1960-2014* (2017); *A Bloody Day: The Irish at Waterloo* (republished 2017); *A Bloody Night: The Irish at Rorke's Drift* (republished 2017) and *Soldiers of the Short Grass - A History of the Curragh Camp* (2016).



MARY LAWLOR

Mary Lawlor is a Founder (2001) and Board member of Front Line Defenders. She is currently Adjunct Professor in the School of Business, TCD and sits on a steering committee to develop an ethics policy for the School of Business. She was Director of Front Line Defenders for the years 2001-2016 and Director of Amnesty International between 1988 and 2000. Mary Lawlor has wide experience of developing sustainable Non-Governmental Organisations.



VERONIKA LAPINA

Veronika Lapina is a human rights defender working on the protection of LGBTI+ persons in Chechnya who are facing risks on the basis of their actual or perceived sexuality and gender identity. As a direct result of her work, more than 100 gay, lesbian and bisexual people have been evacuated from Chechnya in order to avoid the imminent danger they were facing there. On a number of occasions Lapina has had to travel to Chechnya on her own to provide assistance to the those at risk thus putting herself in significant danger. Despite the attempts to keep her human rights activities as discrete as possible, she receives threats in connection to her human rights work and her membership of the LGBTI+ community on a regular basis.



ANGUS MITCHELL

Angus Mitchell is a historian and publisher. His work on Roger Casement has contributed to a critical re-evaluation of Casement's centrality to the intellectual history of the pre-1916 world. Mitchell's published editions of Casement's writings

include: *The Amazon Journal of Roger Casement* (1997) *Sir Roger Casement's Heart of Darkness: The 1911 Documents* (2003) and *One Bold Deed of Open*

Treason: The Berlin Diary of Roger Casement (2016). In recent years, Mitchell's interests have gravitated towards consideration of broader networks of anti-imperial activism. He is presently working on the retrieval of other activists connected with the Irish revolution such as Alice Stopford Green, Bulmer Hobson and Nannie Dryhurst.



GLORIA RAMAZANI

Gloria Ramazani, is a member of staff of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in Goma in the Eastern Democratic Republic of Congo. A trained lawyer she is passionate about geopolitical issues and those related to human rights, specifically of women and children. The achievement of peace and security in the Congo is an abiding concern for her.



MARK RICHARDS FRSS

Mark Richards is a portrait and figure sculptor working with communities and organisations around the world to create commemorative sculpture 'suffused with emotional depth'. Recent sculptures include the hurler Nickey Rackard, explorer Ernest Shackleton, drummer

John Bonham and musician Big Tom McBride. 'Making Big Tom', a film by Taine King and Lorraine Higgins is showing at this year's Galway Film Fleadh. 'I aim to convey not just the character and story of my subject, but also their relationship with the community commemorating them.' "Combining a comprehensive understanding of sculptural techniques with a rare sensitivity of touch, his work exhibits both cohesive composition and great beauty of form. Mark is a pleasure to deal with; he combines professional efficiency and responsibility with great warmth and attentiveness. His natural interest in people is so evidently reflected in his figurative work." Johannes von Stumm, Past President Royal Society of Sculptors.



SENATOR NEALE RICHMOND

Senator Neale Richmond is the Fine Gael spokesman on European Affairs and Chairman of the Seanad Brexit Committee. Prior to this he was a member of Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council and the EU's Committee of the Regions.



DR MARGARET WARD

Dr Margaret Ward is Honorary Senior Lecturer in History at Queen's University, Belfast and former Director of the Women's Resource and Development Agency in Belfast. Margaret has a Ph.D. from the University of the West of England and an Honorary Doctor of Laws from

the University of Ulster, for her contribution to advancing women's equality. Amongst her many publications are *Unmanageable Revolutionaries: women and Irish Nationalism* (1983), a biography of Maud Gonne and edited works (with Louise Ryan), *Irish Women and the Vote: Becoming Citizens and Irish Women and Nationalism*, Irish Academic Press. She has edited *Hanna Sheehy Skeffington: suffragette and Sinn Feiner*, her memoirs and political writings, UCD Press, 2017 and her biography *Fearless Woman: Hanna Sheehy Skeffington, Feminism and the Irish Revolution* is forthcoming September 2019, UCD Press.

The dlr Roger Casement Summer School/Festival is organised to honour the memory of Dún Laoghaire born Irish revolutionary and international human rights advocate Roger Casement.

ROGER CASEMENT COMMEMORATION

Wreath Laying Ceremony Saturday 3rd of August @ 7.30pm
Doyle's Cottage, (beside Buckleys), Sandycove Road,
Sandycove

Speaker: Angus Mitchell

CASEMENT EXHIBITION

dlr Lexicon Library
Casement Exhibition Wednesday 7th August-Wednesday
25th September inclusive
Formal launch Thursday 29th August 29th at 6.30pm
(on Level 3 of the dlr Lexicon)

Exhibition: **Crossing Borders, Forging Republics:
Roger Casement's experience in Peru**
To be launched by the Peruvian Ambassador
to Ireland:
H.E. Ana María Sánchez with Angus Mitchell

dlr ROGER CASEMENT SUMMER SCHOOL

Admission: €35 for whole summer school (includes
free admission to night of song & music)
or €10 per session.

Venue: dlr Lexicon, Haigh Terrace, Moran Park,
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SESSION 1 / FRIDAY 30TH AUGUST

Time: 6.30-7.00pm Registration
Opening address from An Cathaoirleach,
Cllr. Shay Brennan of Dún Laoghaire
Rathdown Council (DLR Council).

Topic: "The role of women in the War of
Independence".

Chair: Sarah Clancy

Speaker: Dr Margaret Ward

SESSION 2 / SAT 31ST AUGUST

Time: 9.30-10.15am Registration

Chair: Frank Cogan

Topic: "On the wrong side of History -
Roger Casement and Germany".

Speaker: Angus Mitchell till 11.30

Debate: "Is the Social heart of Europe still beating?"

Speakers: Matt Carthy MEP (Sinn Féin) and Senator
Neale Richmond (Fine Gael) followed by
Q&A from the floor.

SESSION 3 / SAT AFTERNOON

Chair: Jane Dillon Byrne

Time: 2.15 pm

Topic: The Casement Statue and the Dún Laoghaire
Baths development

Speakers: Bob Hannon, DLR Senior Architect
Mark Richards, Sculptor of Casement Statue

Q&A from the floor followed by

A short film: **Sikitiko – The King's Hand** directed by
Pieter de Vos

Time: 4.45 pm break

BOOK LAUNCH

Time: 5.15 pm

Athol Books is launching: **The Congo since Lumumba -
A story of international plundering** by Pierrot Ngadi.
Introduction by Dave Alvey, Secretary of dlr Roger Casement
Summer School

SATURDAY AUGUST 31 FROM 8.30PM

dlr Roger Casement Summer School Night of Music and Song
Dún Laoghaire Club, Eblana Ave.
€10 admission (free to dlr RCSC)

SESSION 4/ SUN 1ST SEPT

Time: Registration 9.30 -10.15 am

Chair: Martina Devlin

Topic: "The role of the Irish Defence Forces in the
Congo in the '60's".

Speaker: Lt Col Dan Harvey

Topic: The Congo and the United Nations High
Commission for Refugees (UNHCR)

Speaker: Gloria Ramazani – UNHCR, Congo

Q&A from the floor

SESSION 5 AFTERNOON 2.15 PM

Human Rights session

Topic: "Tales from the Front Line with
Human Rights Defender"

Chair: Mary Lawlor

Speakers: Abdulaziz Almoayyad (Saudi Arabia)
Veronika Lapina (Russia)

Q&A from the floor

5 pm / Closing address by Roger Cole,
Chair, dlr Roger Casement Summer School



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