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## Discover your National Library: Explore, Reflect, Connect

The National Library's new exhibition Discover Your National Library: Explore, Reflect, Connect was launched on 20th January 2010 by Martin Cullen, Minister for Arts, Sport and Tourism.

Among the artefacts to go on display are rare manuscripts such as the *Book of Magauran* dating from the Middle Ages and a deed signed by Sir Walter Raleigh. There are also curiosities such as a 1795 lottery ticket and more contemporary items such as a set of cigarette cards illustrated by Jack Yeats from the 1930s.

Each display case is accompanied by a touchscreen containing copies of the objects on display so visitors can scroll through multiple pages when the object is a volume, or see other similar objects from the Library's holdings – the world's largest and most comprehensive collection of Irish documentary material numbering almost eight million items including maps, prints, drawings, manuscripts, photographs, books, newspapers and periodicals.

A prototype interactive Microsoft Surface 'discovery table' using Silverlight technology is at the heart of the exhibition. Every object in the exhibition (and many which are not currently in the exhibition but will be in the future) is held in the table which is the exhibition's central repository. Here



Irish Church Missions, 1850. On display at the exhibition.

visitors can view images of objects from the collections in detail. The images are tagged in such a way that if the visitor finds an item they are particularly interested in, the technology automatically links them to other similar items likely to be of interest. The technology was developed by Microsoft in partnership with the exhibition designers, Martello Media.

Special features in the exhibition include a series of talks shown on large plasma screens and given by the Library's curators who use a highly accessible approach to describe the significance of items on display.

The Discover exhibition is housed in 2-3 Kildare Street, Dublin 2. The selection of items on view will be refreshed and updated every four months. Admission is free. The contents of the central Silverlight Discovery Table may be seen on [www.nli.ie](http://www.nli.ie).

# Fingal County Libraries acquires the Hely-Hutchinson collection of estate papers

On Wednesday 25th November the Mayor of Fingal Councillor Ciaran Byrne formally accepted on behalf of Fingal County Libraries the Hely-Hutchinson Collection of family and estate papers. Mrs. Caroline Harlow (nee Hely-Hutchinson) and Mrs. Fiona Selway (nee Hely-Hutchinson) very generously donated their family records to the Fingal Local Studies and Archives Department of Fingal County Libraries. The collection will be housed in their new premises which are located in Clonmel House, Forster Way in Swords, County Dublin and are dedicated to the memory of Captain Coote Hely-Hutchinson R.N., his wife Sophia and the succeeding generations of the family who lived in the Swords area.

This donation is the biggest and most important collection of family and estate records ever received by Fingal County Libraries. The importance of the collection is highlighted by Dr. Terence Dooley, lecturer and author of history in NUI Maynooth, who notes that it contains “a wealth of hugely important archival material” relating to the locality. The papers fill over 100 boxes and contain legal deeds for properties in Fingal, Dublin city, south county Dublin, Meath and Offaly. There is also a considerable amount of correspondence particularly from members of the



With the Collection are Mr. Paul Harris, Mrs. Caroline Harlow, Mrs. Fiona Selway and Mr. Peadar Bates Local Historian in Donabate

family who served in both world wars and a huge collection of photographs including many of the Fingal coast.

The Hely-Hutchinson collection will provide a fantastic resource for researchers, students, historians and anyone interested in the history and heritage of north county Dublin.

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## Fellowship, Old Library of the Irish College, Paris



The Old Library of the Irish College, Paris, France

The Irish College, Paris, offers two fellowship bursaries to encourage research on its Old Library and Historical Archives collections. The purpose of the fellowships is to establish the intellectual and academic value of the holdings. More details about the collections' content and access to the online catalogues : [www.centreculturelirlandais.com/presentation\\_eng](http://www.centreculturelirlandais.com/presentation_eng)

The areas of research are open, depending on the candidate's interests, and could be about a historical subject, an author, our manuscripts, the provenance of part of the collection, the bindings...The bursary is for €2000 per month over a three-

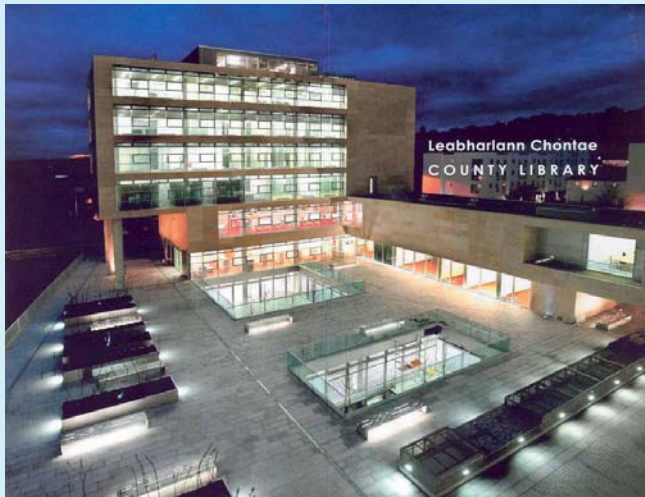
month period between May and October (+accommodation and travel) for scholars with specific research interests. We are looking for an output which would add to our knowledge of the library and to the information which we can put into the public domain. Priority will be given to research subjects examining a corpus of books instead of one book in particular.

2008 and 2009 Fellows pursued the following research:

- “Visualising Irish History”: the role of visual materials in the representation of the past and of national identity (focusing on 16 illustrated histories and studies of Ireland)
- “Lire plume à la main” (study of the “marginalia” in the books of the Old Library)
- “Kingship in Ireland and France”: the Old Library of the Irish College, Paris, and Hiberno-French politics in the 17 century

*Deadline for receipt of applications is 26th March 2010.* CV + summary of your proposed research (approx. 500 words) + preferred dates + any additional relevant documentation to be sent to: Carole Jacquet, Head of Libraries and Archives, Centre Culturel Irlandais – Irish College, 5 rue des Irlandais, 75005 Paris, France or email to [cjacquet@centreculturelirlandais.com](mailto:cjacquet@centreculturelirlandais.com). [ILN](#)

# Cork County Library HQ – official opening deferred



Cork County Library HQ

The widespread inundation of the western suburbs and historic centre of Cork City, which occurred on November 19 - 20 2009, resulted in the deferral of the much anticipated and long-awaited official opening of the new Cork County Library HQ at County Hall. Both the new library building and the County Hall were among the many civic, commercial and residential premises damaged by the floods. Within the library building there were significant losses to the current circulation collection maintained at HQ, with about 85,000 stock items, (representing about 10% of the total working stock), irreparably damaged. However the special collections and local studies materials, including books, manuscripts, maps and periodicals, were unscathed.

Public services at County Hall resumed within ten days and the Reference and Local Studies services at the Library HQ followed shortly afterwards. The phased restoration of library services in the new building has continued with the Drama, Sheet music and A/V Collections coming on stream on 25th January. The Genealogy and Arts services are now also operating normally.

The library service throughout the county was unaffected by the flooding and the network has continued to operate normally.

More information about the new Cork County Library HQ can be found on [www.librarybuildings.ie](http://www.librarybuildings.ie)

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↓ NATIONAL LIBRARY OF IRELAND - SOURCES

## Sources - NLI database for Irish research

The National Library of Ireland has launched a new database which will revolutionise the finding of source material for Irish history. *Sources: A National Library of Ireland database for Irish research*, contains over 180,000 catalogue records for Irish manuscripts, and for articles in Irish periodicals.

You can search across:

- All of the National Library's manuscripts catalogued up to the 1980s
- Irish manuscripts held in other libraries and archives in Ireland and worldwide, listed between the 1940s and the 1970s
- Articles, reviews and other content that appeared in over 150 Irish periodicals up to 1969

Article records give details of the author, the title, and the citation, as well as information about how to access the periodicals in the National Library of Ireland or elsewhere. Manuscript records provide key details about the manuscript including the title, in addition to where it is held and its manuscript number. All records have subject headings, which



Screenshot of Sources - NLI Database for Irish Research

can themselves be used as searches. Record contents generally represent the decisions taken during the original cataloguing and indexing project, and reflect the holdings of libraries and archives as they were when that work was carried out.

Further information can be found in the Autumn issue of the National Library's newsletter ([click here](#)) or on the website at: <http://sources.nli.ie>



# Digital Books - a selection from the Internet Archive



A selection of some of the material available from the digital books collection

Clare County Library recently developed a new service offering a selection of Clare and Irish material from the Open-Access Text Archive of the Internet Archive, which contains over one million full-text scanned books in the public domain. The selection - of just over 500 titles - has been made using the Archive's own Open Library search features and includes books on the archaeology, art, history, language and literature of Clare and Ireland.

The scanned books are presented in an intuitive, easily accessible format which seeks to replicate the actual experience of reading a book. You can 'turn' a page by clicking on it, and you can move to a new section of the book by clicking on its side. Each book is fully indexed also, and its contents are searchable by a search facility in a side panel to the right of the book. Many of these books are both scarce and valuable, and the whole Internet Archive project not only rescues long-forgotten books from oblivion but also makes it possible for instance to consult a 1904 edition of Dinneen's *Irish Dictionary* from the comfort of home, or enjoy the drawings of Clare-born artist William Mulready whose illustrations illuminated so many 19th Century publications. This new service complements the library's existing collection of online publications created by the library itself over the past few years.

Visit Clare's digital books collection and online books:

- [www.clarelibrary.ie/eolas/online\\_resources/digital\\_books.htm](http://www.clarelibrary.ie/eolas/online_resources/digital_books.htm)
- [www.clarelibrary.ie/eolas/coclare/online\\_publications.htm](http://www.clarelibrary.ie/eolas/coclare/online_publications.htm)

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## Hey, Listen to This.....

*Hey, Listen to This* is a collection of short stories on CD by teenagers from Cork. The project was held in association with the National Council for the Blind and the group included visually impaired teenagers. The five stories on the CD were written at workshops held at the Tory Top Library earlier this year which were facilitated by local writer Kevin Doyle.

Cork City Library envisages this project as having the potential to increase access to all teenagers to the library and its resources, in this case, those who are visually impaired. The workshops also encouraged the teenager's creative and literary potential. The stories are read by Kevin Doyle and were recorded with the assistance of Chris Ahern and Paul Solecki of Coláiste Stiofáin Naofa, a local PLC. The National Council for the Blind in Dublin produced the CDs for the project which was financed by the National Disability Fund, through Cork City Council. It is hoped that this venture will draw more attention to the potential of audio books and the MP3 format to this important section of library users as well as continuing to develop the art of short story writing which has always been a major part of Cork city's literary heritage. The CD was launched on December 2 by local DJ Stevie G. of Red FM.



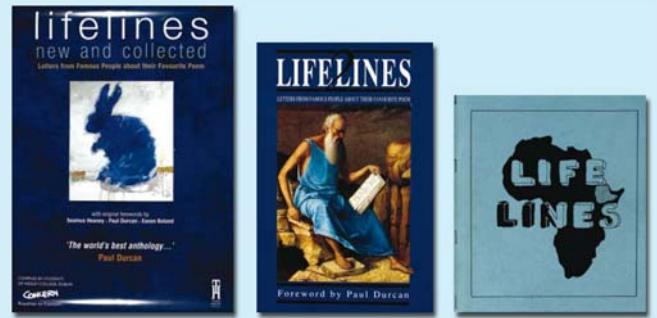
Some of the teenagers involved in the project, DJ Stevie G and Cork City Librarian Liam Ronayne

# Discover Lifelines: letters from famous people about their favourite poems

This exhibition celebrates the Lifelines project which began in 1985 when English teacher Niall MacMonagle suggested to his Fifth Year class in Wesley College, Dublin that they do something to help those suffering in Africa. They wrote to famous people and asked them to name a favourite poem and give a reason why. The replies were compiled in a simple booklet and sold out in two days. Further booklets, also compiled by Wesley College pupils, were published in 1988, 1990 and 1992.

The success of the booklets resulted in the publication of the *Lifelines* book in 1992, with a foreword by Seamus Heaney. *Lifelines 2* appeared in 1994 and *Lifelines 3* in 1997. A selection from *Lifelines* was published by Penguin in 1993, and a further volume, a New and Collected edition, published by Townhouse in 2006. Royalties earned on the various editions had, by 2006, raised over €100,000 for Concern to fund the organisation's work in the developing world.

The National Library of Ireland purchased the original letters that were included in the first *Lifelines* publication and the money was donated to Concern. Subsequently Wesley College donated all correspondence, photographs and other related archival material to the Library. The Discover Lifelines exhibition in the Library's main hall shows letters from this archive from writers, poets, actors, artists, media personalities and politicians.



Lifeline Books

The exhibition continues until June 2010 at the National Library of Ireland, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

Opening Hours:

Mon – Wed: 9.30am – 9pm;

Thurs – Fri: 9.30am – 5pm;

Saturday: 9.30am – 4.30pm

Contact Details: Tel: +35316030277; Email: [lifelines@nli.ie](mailto:lifelines@nli.ie); Web: [www.nli.ie](http://www.nli.ie). [ILN](#)

↑ LIFELINES EXHIBITION AT THE NLI

↓ DICTIONARY OF IRISH BIOGRAPHY

## 9,700 lives; 700 contributors; 8 million words; over 20,000 years of history

The *Dictionary of Irish Biography*, edited by James McGuire and James Quinn, was launched on 18 November by An Taoiseach, Brian Cowen TD, in Dublin Castle. At over 8 million words, it is the biggest work ever published on the lives of Irish women and men.

The Dictionary is made up of 9,700 biographies written by over 700 contributors, and spans over two thousand years of Ireland's history. It includes the lives of deceased Irish men and women who made a significant contribution in Ireland and abroad, as well as those born overseas who had noteworthy careers in Ireland – from St Patrick to Patrick Pearse, Grainne O'Malley to Maud Gonne MacBride, Dáibhí Ó Bruadair to Samuel Beckett, Shane O'Neill to Eamon deValera and Edward Carson to Bobby Sands.

Biographical subjects include artists, architects; scientists, lawyers, journalists; actors, musicians, bankers, sporting figures, writers, engineers, criminals, public servants, politicians and philanthropists. Contributors are principally professional historians but many are from diverse fields and include: T.K. Whitaker; Gerard Hogan SC; Colm Tóibín, writer; Adrian Hardiman, Supreme Court judge; and Peter McVerry, social worker.

The Dictionary is a joint project between the Royal Irish Academy and Cambridge University Press and is being published simultaneously in nine volumes and online. The online version of

the Dictionary will be an ongoing project, with new biographies being added twice a year. The first set of new entries will appear from May 2010.

The biographies are arranged alphabetically from Jacques Abbadie (d. 1727), a Huguenot refugee who became dean of Killaloe, through to Zozimus (aka Michael Moran) d. 1846), the Liberties-born balladeer. St Brigit is the earliest woman featured and the earliest man was Palladius, an envoy sent to Ireland by Pope Celestine. The most recent biographical subject is Dorothy Walker, writer and critic, who died in December 2002. Approximately 1,000 of the 9,700 people featured were born outside of Ireland. The shortest-lived person in the Dictionary is Nellie Organ (1903-08), a pious child from Co. Waterford, whose cause for beatification received widespread popular support after her death.

The most common surnames in the Dictionary are: O'Connor, Butler, O'Brien, Mac/McCarthy and Murphy. Amongst the least well known figures are: Vere Goold, the only Wimbledon finalist to have been convicted of murder, and Percy Ludgate from Skibbereen, Co Cork who was a pioneer in digital computing.

The nine-volume *Dictionary of Irish Biography* costs £650 if purchased before 31 January 2010. To order see [www.dib.ie](http://www.dib.ie). [ILN](#)

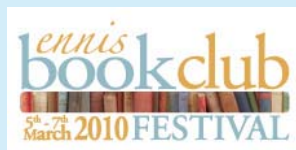
## LITERARY FIGURES BOOK IN TO ENNIS FESTIVAL

The growing interest in book clubs throughout Ireland is reflected in the line-up for one of the eagerly anticipated events on the literary calendar, details of which were recently unveiled. Tickets are now available for the 2010 Ennis Book Club Festival which takes place in the Clare County capital from March 5-7.

In association with Clare County Library, the three-day programme of events attracts hundreds of Book Club members and book lovers from all over Ireland and beyond. The Festival programme features author visits, readings, lectures, workshops, walking tours, chocolate tasting and exhibitions in various venues around Ennis. It also includes Ireland's first 'Book Club of the Year Award' and a professional development workshop for library staff.

Among the contributors to the fourth annual festival will be Joseph O'Connor, Lionel Shriver, Eoghan Harris, Paul Durcan, Tim

Pat Coogan, Ruth Dudley Edwards, Diarmaid Ferriter, Paul Howard, Claire Keegan, Claire Kilroy, Fiona Looney, Thomas Lynch, Niall McMonagle, Alan Titley, Niall Williams and many more.



Tickets for all events are available from Glór Box Office, tel. 065 6843103. Festival details, including programme, is at [www.ennisbookclubfestival.com](http://www.ennisbookclubfestival.com) or tel. 087 2262259.

## CENTENARY CHRISTMAS CONCERT 2009 AT MALAHIDE LIBRARY

During the 1920s and 1930s, concerts were often held in Malahide Library. Some would have involved local musicians and others visiting artists.

To conclude the centenary celebrations, Malahide Library

held a festive lunch-time Christmas Concert on Saturday 12th December. Guests were welcomed by Cllr. Tom Kelleher, Deputy Mayor of Fingal County Council. Music was provided by a string quartet from Young Dublin Symphonia – which is based in Malahide. The concert was sponsored by SWETS periodical subscription agents who supply magazines and periodicals to all Fingal County Library branches.



Members of the quartet l-r Dorothy Conaghan (Director, Young Dublin Symphonia), Naoise Dack (Violin), Alice Varley (2ND Violin) and Maria Gibbons (Cellist).

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## LAI NEWS

The LAI/CILIP Ireland joint conference will take place (21-23 April) at the Maldron Tallaght Hotel. The theme: Smart Libraries. For further details see [www.libraryassociation.ie](http://www.libraryassociation.ie)

Library Ireland Week will run from 8 to 13 March this year and will be launched by Séamus Heaney. All library & information services are invited to participate. Posters and bookmarks will issue shortly. Contact: [jclavin@libraryassociation.ie](mailto:jclavin@libraryassociation.ie).

In recognition of the LILAC conference being held in Limerick, 29-31 March (see p7), the LAI and CONUL are jointly sponsoring an award of €500 for achievement in the field of Information Literacy in the Republic of Ireland. This award is being made on a once-off basis. It is open to an individual or group working in IL in any library sector. Full details are available on the LAI [website](http://www.lai.ie).



## ROYAL IRISH ACADEMY NEWS



Following upon the success of the recent exhibition

'Darwin, Praeger and the Clare Island surveys', a new Academy exhibition draws on more of the library's treasures. 'Treasures of the RIA Library: an exhibition of treasures spanning 1,500 years of Irish history' focuses on manuscripts illustrating the early history of Ireland and includes selections from collections of topographical drawings and photographs illustrative of various aspects of Irish society in the 19th and 20th centuries. The exhibition will run from 8 February to 21 May and 8-25 June, 2010. A series of lunchtime lectures will be organised in late spring. See [www.ria.ie](http://www.ria.ie) for details.

The library has acquired a 19th century manuscript containing Irish airs and other music. It includes notation for Moore's melodies and the lyrics of some of these, including 'Silent Oh Moyle'

which is accompanied by Moore's own notes on the origins of the song. The manuscript will be displayed during Library Ireland Week (8-12 March) when the COLICO Music PAL initiative will be formally launched at the Academy.

## GOING SOLO

Dublin City Public Libraries have published a new children's reading guide called *Going Solo*, the aim of which is to help children towards independent reading.

Parents sometimes have difficulty in choosing the right reading material for their children. This beautifully illustrated guide identifies and recommends books for children at various ages and reading levels—helping parents find the right books to nurture a lifelong love of reading in their child.

All the books listed are available to borrow through Dublin City Libraries.



Front cover of Going solo

Copies of *Going Solo*, which was compiled and annotated by Rosemary Hetherington of Dublin City Public Libraries, are available at a cost of €5.

For further information contact: Alastair Smeaton, 01 6744844

Celebrating 125 years of Dublin City Public Libraries.



## LILAC 2010 - THE UK'S LEADING INFORMATION LITERACY CONFERENCE

Do you teach information literacy skills? Do you want to improve the information seeking and evaluation skills of your library users? Perhaps you are interested in emerging technologies to support information literacy? If so then LILAC 2010 may be for you!

LILAC is the Librarians' Information Literacy Annual Conference, organised by CILIP's Information Literacy Group. The event is brimming with new ideas, innovative teaching techniques, inspiring speakers and exciting social events. There is a packed programme of parallel sessions including long and short papers, hands-on workshops, symposiums and poster presentations. Librarians from across the UK and around the world attend.

LILAC 2010 takes place in Limerick from 29-31 March 2010.

For more information and to book a place visit: [www.lilacconference.com](http://www.lilacconference.com)

## KILKENNY COUNTY LIBRARY

*The Storytelling Caravan* visited Loughboy branch as part of the Children's Book Festival. Professional storyteller, Melissa Baker, told stories to children of all ages inside the caravan. Not only were the stories very good but hearing them in this unusual and attractive space made them all the more remarkable.



Melissa Baker, Storyteller



Participants of one of the classes in the use of mobile phones

*All Ireland Poetry Day* was celebrated in the City Library with readings by Peter Fallon, the founder of Gallery Press. This event was organised by Kilkenny County Council's Arts Office and the Writer-in-Residence, Grace Wells. Following on from this event, the library staff and Grace Wells initiated the project Poets on Board. Every month local poets are invited to submit some of their work to the library and up to 20 accepted poems are showcased around the library.

Classes in the use of mobile phones by older people have been held in 3 branches on several occasions since September.

All classes were organised through Age Action Ireland and their trained volunteers and they were specifically for older people.

There are 4 book clubs within Kilkenny Library Service and one of these, Pageturners from Castlecomer Branch was featured in the Review Section of *The Irish Independent* on Saturday December 12 2009. The Club, headed up by Mary Morrissey, Branch Manager in Castlecomer, was discussing *The White Tiger* by Aravind Adiga.

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## KILKENNY LIBRARY'S COTGREVE INDICATOR

When Kilkenny City Library opened in 1910, the service acquired a Cotgreve Indicator which was used to inform patrons, in the days before 'open access', to 'indicate' the availability of stock items.



Kilkenny County Library's Cotgreve Indicator

The Indicator was a wooden frame fitted with rows of small slots, each containing a small book like ledger held in a metal tray. Each mini-ledger referred to an actual book in the closed collection. The ends of the tray were marked with a number that was linked to the actual book. One end was blue for books in the library, the other red for those which were on loan.

Kilkenny's Cotgreve Indicator, which was still in daily use in the 1940's, is one of the few owned by a public library here or in Britain that is in good condition.

It formed part of an exhibition in Loughboy library during Heritage Week.

## MARSH'S LIBRARY

An honorary life membership of The Old Dublin Society has been awarded to Dr. Muriel McCarthy, Keeper of Marsh's Library. The award ceremony took place in the Library on 16 November 2009.

The Benjamin Iveagh Library was officially handed over to Marsh's Library on 6 November 2009. The Library has been donated by the Guinness family to Marsh's Library but will continue to be held at Farmleigh under the maintenance of the Office of Public Works.



Ceremony at Farmleigh 1-r Dr Muriel McCarthy (Keeper of Marsh's Library), Lord Iveagh, Archbishop Neill (Chairman of the Governors and Guardians of Marsh's Library) and Minister Martin Mansergh.



Dr. McCarthy with the president of the ODS, Rev. Dudley Levistone Cooney.

## 2010



2010 has been designated the European Year of Combating Poverty and Social Exclusion.

For more information please visit:  
<http://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?langId=en&catId=637>

## February 2010

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 Electronic Resources Management: how to provide an excellent service in difficult times

Annual seminar of the Academic & Special Libraries Section of the Library Association of Ireland.

Venue: Radisson Blu Royal Hotel, Golden Lane, Dublin 8. Cost: €100 A&SL members; €120 other LAI members; €150 non-members. Enquiries and expressions of interest in attending should be sent to Eva Hornung: [hornunge@tcd.ie](mailto:hornunge@tcd.ie).

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## The Mackey Lectures

Lecture 4: 'Medicine and the State: The Poor Law Medical Service in Ireland, 1851-1921'

Date: Weds 10th Feb @ 5.30pm  
 Venue: National Library of Ireland

Lecture 5: 'Dublin's First Antigones; From J-J Barthélemy (1795) to Helen Faucit (1845)'

Date: Thurs 11 Feb @ 5.30pm.  
 Venue: Dr Steevens's Hospital

Visit TCD [website](#) for information.

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## The Poem on the Mountain

the sixth of the 'Object of the Month' lecture series, Professor Jerusha McCormack (Visiting Professor, Beijing Foreign Studies University). Object of the month: Lapis Lazuli carving and poem. Admission is free and no booking is

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## Adult Learners' Festival 2010

The festival will highlight the role of adult learning in combating poverty and social exclusion and will tie in with the 2010 European Year of Combating Poverty and Social Exclusion. To keep up to date visit: [www.adultlearnersfestival.com](http://www.adultlearnersfestival.com)

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## Management Issues in Public Libraries:

a two-day induction training for newly appointed Senior Executive Librarians and Divisional Librarians, covering library and related management issues. IPA Dublin. All Management Issues courses are booked directly with IPA: contact Jane Greer: [jgreer@ipa.ie](mailto:jgreer@ipa.ie)

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## The Mackey Lectures

Lecture 6: 'Libraries, Readers and Bibliographers'

Speaker: David McKitterick, Trinity College Cambridge.  
 Date: Weds 24 Feb @ 5.30 pm.

Venue: Dr Steevens's Hospital.

Lecture 7: 'Scholarship and Sacrifice; Can we Bank on a Humanistic Future?'

Speaker: W. J. Mc Cormack, Edward Worth Library.

Date: Thurs 25 Feb @ 7.00pm.

Venue: Robert Emmet Lecture Theatre, Arts Building, TCD.

Visit TCD [website](#) for information.

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'World' Book Day (UK & Ireland): <http://www.worldbookday.com>

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## Sound, Image, Text

the Irish Society for the Study of Children's Literature conference in Trinity College Dublin. Conference Secretary Dr Pádraic Whyte. e: [padraicwhyte@gmail.com](mailto:padraicwhyte@gmail.com)

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## Library Ireland Week

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## Cost effective communication

One-day intensive workshop in the use of social media. Dublin City Public Libraries & Archives, Pearse Street, Dublin. Information from [mflynn@librarycouncil.ie](mailto:mflynn@librarycouncil.ie)

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## The AGM of the Library Association of Ireland

will take place at 11.00am in The Royal Irish Academy, 19 Dawson

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It also compliments the extensive range of materials accumulated by the Fingal Library Service since its inception in 1994. Great thanks and appreciation are due to Caroline Harlow and Fiona Selway for their decision to ensure that this fine collection remains in Fingal. Many thanks are also due to Mr. Peadar Bates, author and local historian from Donabate, who over the last three years has worked on an inventory of all the materials. Last but not least is the recognition of Mr. Paul Harris, outgoing Fingal County Librarian who set up the Fingal Local Studies and Archives Department and whose dedication, foresight and tenacity has ensured that the heritage of Fingal can be protected and celebrated for future generations.

For further information visit:

<http://www.fingalcoco.ie/CommunityRecreationandAmenitiesDepartment/Library/FingalLocalStudies/>

<http://www.fingalcoco.ie/CommunityRecreationandAmenitiesDepartment/Library/FingalArchives/>

## People

Paul Harris, Fingal County Librarian retired at the end of November 2009 after fifteen years as County Librarian in Fingal. Paul had worked in Dublin City Libraries and moved to Fingal as a senior librarian in 1994. He had thirty seven years service in total.



Paul Harris

We wish Paul a long, healthy and enjoyable retirement.

## Training courses

An Chomhairle Leabharlanna manages a training and development programme for public library staff.

Full details of courses scheduled for 2010 can be found at

[www.librarycouncil.ie/training/index.shtml](http://www.librarycouncil.ie/training/index.shtml)

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