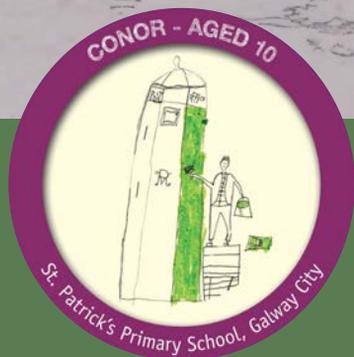


September  
to December  
2018

# Events Guide



➤ Look out for our object labels designed by kids from St. Patrick's Primary School

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MÚSAEM CATHRACH NA GAILLIMHE  
GALWAY CITY MUSEUM

# September

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**PERFORMANCE: The Great Push**

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Age 15+ (Decade of Commemorations)

**Saturday 8 September, 2.30pm – 3.30pm**

**Maud Gonne MacBride (1866-1953)**

See Modern Irishwomen lecture series section.

Age 12+



Maud Gonne MacBride. Courtesy of the Library of Congress

**Saturday 15 September, 2.30pm – 4pm**

**ILLUSTRATED TALK: Badge, Brooch or Pin: a study of Cumann na mBan insignia, 1914-1923**

Founded in 1914 as a female auxiliary to the Irish Volunteers, Cumann na mBan adopted a badge featuring a rifle intertwined with the letters 'C na mB'. Join Paul Gosling, GMIT and Ailbhe Rogers, Maynooth University as they explore the origins and design of these badges from base-metal emblems of membership to mementos of service made from the finest materials. If you happen to have a Cumann na mBan badge please bring it along with its story.

Age 12+



Cumann na mBan. Courtesy of the NLI

## CULTURE NIGHT 2018

**Friday 21 September, 5.30pm – 7.30pm**

**LECTURES: Galway in Literature**

A dozen researchers will present short illustrated talks on the theme of 'Galway in Literature'. This Culture Night event is curated and presented by Dr John Cunningham and Dr Sarah-Anne Buckley of the History Department at NUI, Galway. Galway City Museum will remain open to the public until 8pm.

Adults (no booking required)

**Saturday 22 September, 12pm – 12.30pm**

**GALLERY TOUR: Sea-Science – The Wild Atlantic**

Developed in partnership with the Marine Institute, *Sea Science – the Wild Atlantic* is an interactive exhibition that focuses on the wonders of the marine world. Join our science graduate intern, Gráinne Cronin O'Reilly, for a guided gallery tour to learn more.

Age 7 – 12 / Family Event

**Saturday 29 September, 2.30pm – 3.30pm**

**ILLUSTRATED TALK: Dún Aonghasa & the Western Stone Forts Project**

The great limestone fort of Dún Aonghasa on Inis Mór is one of the Wild Atlantic Way's most spectacular sites. To learn about the history and importance of the monument, join archaeologist Claire Cotter who excavated the site in the 1990s and has published two volumes on the archaeology of the Aran Islands and the stone forts of the western seaboard.

Age 12+

**Sunday 30 September, 3pm – 3.45pm**

**PERFORMANCE: The Fisherwives**

Brú Theatre presents *The Fisherwives*, a masked ensemble inspired by the hard-working women of the Claddagh who toiled in the old fish market at the Spanish Arch. Part of Galway 2020's flagship programme – *Small Towns, Big Ideas* – the performers will silently weave from the Claddagh and Quay Street to the courtyard of the museum, reimagining what the fish market might have looked like a century ago.

All Ages (no booking required)



**Saturday 20 October, 2.30pm – 3.30pm**

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Age 15+ (Decade of Commemorations)

**Saturday 27 October, 11am – 12pm**

**WORKSHOP: Life on Board a Research Vessel**

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Age 8+ / Family Event (Schools Mid-Term)

**Wednesday 31 October, 11am – 11.30am,  
12pm – 12.30pm & 2pm – 2.30pm**

**GALLERY TOUR: Sea-Science – The Wild Atlantic**

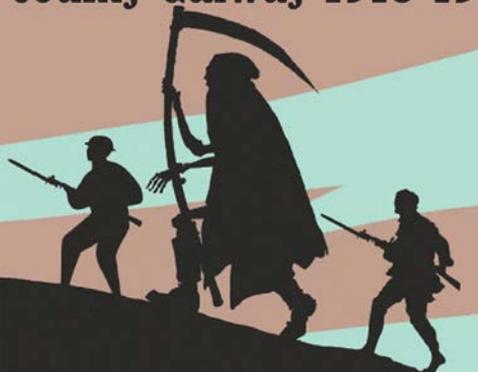
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# October

## THE ENEMY WITHIN The Spanish Flu in County Galway 1918-19



**Saturday 6 October, 2.30pm – 3.30pm**

**ILLUSTRATED TALK: The Spanish Flu in County Galway, 1918-19**

Between 1918 and 1919, a flu pandemic, known as the Spanish Flu, resulted in the deaths of more than 20,000 people in Ireland and between 50 and 100 million people worldwide. Join Noel Campbell of the National Museum of Ireland - Country Life as he discusses the pandemic and local stories of personal loss and public service breakdown brought by the flu to County Galway.

Age 12+

**Saturday 13 October, 2.30pm – 3.30pm**

**ILLUSTRATED TALK: Helena Molony (1883-1967)**

See Modern Irishwomen lecture series section.

Age 12+

The Enemy Within. Courtesy of the NMI

RV Celtic Explorer. Courtesy of the Marine Institute

# NOVEMBER

**Thursday 1 November, 11am – 11.30am / 12pm – 12.30pm / 2pm – 2.30pm**

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Age 7 – 12 / Family Event (Schools Mid-Term)



**Saturday 3 November, 11am – 12pm**

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Age 8+ / Family Event (Schools Mid-Term)

**Friday 9 November, 1pm – 2pm**

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Age 15+ (Decade of Commemorations)

**Saturday 10 November, 11am – 12pm**

## **ILLUSTRATED TALK: Galway & the Great War**

On the eve of the centenary anniversary of the armistice, local historian William Henry looks at the impact of the Great War on Galway, city and county, and how the end of the war was reported and marked locally. William Henry is the author of *Galway and the Great War* and *Forgotten Heroes: Galway Soldiers of the Great War*.

Age 12+ (Decade of Commemorations)

**Saturday 10 November, 2.30pm – 3.30pm**

## **ILLUSTRATED TALK: Charlotte Despard (1844-1939)**

See Modern Irishwomen lecture series section.

Age 12+

**Saturday 17 November, 11am – 4pm**

## **ART CLASS: Portrait Painting from Photographs**

In 2014, the museum began its commemoration of the Great War with an exhibition on Lieutenant-Colonel George H. Morris (1872-1914) from Spiddal, which included a posthumous portrait of Morris by William Orpen. To mark the centenary anniversary of the armistice, the museum is hosting a one-day intermediate-level portrait painting course with artist Caitlyn Rooke ([www.caitlynrooke.com](http://www.caitlynrooke.com)). Strictly limited to 10 free places, interested parties must email a short submission to the museum stating why they should be considered ([museum@galwaycity.ie](mailto:museum@galwaycity.ie)). All materials provided.

Age 16+ / Adults (Decade of Commemorations)



**Saturday 24 November, 2.30pm – 3.30pm**

## **ILLUSTRATED TALK: Annaghdown**

The medieval monastic complex at Annaghdown, on the shores of Lough Corrib, is traditionally attributed to St Brendan of Clonfert and became the see of a diocese for a time from c. 1188-9. Join archaeologist Richard Crumlish as he tells the story of this important site and shares some of his recent discoveries.

Age 12+



Sea Science sub. Photo by Aengus McMahon

Human & Hound. Courtesy of Caitlyn Rooke

Rotary quern from Annaghdown. Courtesy of Richard Crumlish

# DECEMBER

Orpen portrait of George Henry Morris. Courtesy of Redmond Morris. Lord Killanin



**Saturday 1 December, 2.30pm – 4pm**

## ILLUSTRATED TALK: Irish Artists & The Great War 1914-1918

Join Dr. Marie Bourke, museum, cultural and art historian and formerly of the National Gallery of Ireland, in an illustrated talk about a number of Irish artists, including William Orpen, John Lavery, Harry Clarke and William Conor, who recorded aspects of the Great War.

Age 12+

**Saturday 8 December, 2.30pm – 3.30pm**

## ILLUSTRATED TALK: Eva Goore-Booth (1870-1926)

See Modern Irishwomen lecture series section.

Age 12+

**Saturday 15 December, 2.30pm – 3.30pm**

## ILLUSTRATED TALK: Revolution & the Ballot Box – the 1918 Election in Co. Galway

On 14 December 1918, voters across Ireland and Britain went to the polls with the result that Sinn Féin, led by many veterans of the 1916 Rising, swept aside the Irish Parliamentary Party and declared Irish independence. Join Dr Conor McNamara, historian and author of *War & Revolution in the West of Ireland: Galway, 1913–1922*, as he discusses the election in Co. Galway.

Age 12+



**Thursday 20 December, 11:30am – 12:30pm**

## PERFORMANCE LECTURE: Return Home

*Return Home* is a dance performance lecture that shares a year-long international investigation in researching the language of home. The journey made in this investigation will be shared through a series of dance poems and video. Audience engagement will be embedded in the structure. Supported by Dance Ireland, Leitrim Sculpture Centre and Galway Dance Project.

Adults

**Thursday 20 December, 1:30pm – 4:30pm**

## WORKSHOP: Winter Solstice Movement Workshop

Join Bernadette Divilly, choreographer and dance movement therapist, in a workshop where participants will have an opportunity to investigate and share their current language for home through movement and word in any language. This workshop will include some contemplative dance practice and contact improv.

Adults

## MODERN IRISHWOMEN LECTURE SERIES

Constance de Markievicz, c. 1916. Courtesy of Kilmainham Gaol Museum



1918 was a landmark year for women in Ireland and Britain, with legislation beginning the process of their inclusion in politics. Famously, in December 1918, Constance de Markievicz became the first woman elected to the British House of Commons, only to abstain from taking her seat as a member of Sinn Féin. To mark the centenary of this pivotal year in women's history, Galway City Museum is hosting a series of monthly lectures – curated by Dr James Curry and supported by the Moore Institute, NUI, Galway – on Markievicz and seven other 'Modern Irishwomen'.

**Saturday 8 September, 2.30pm – 3.30pm**

**ILLUSTRATED TALK: Maud Gonne MacBride (1866-1953)**

Margaret Ward on actress, suffragette and revolutionary Maude Gonne MacBride, described by W. B. Yeats as possessing 'beauty like a tightened bow'. Dr Margaret Ward is a Visiting Research Fellow at Queen's University Belfast and the author of numerous books, including *Hanna Sheehy-Skeffington, Suffragette and Sinn Féiner*.

Age 12+

**Saturday 13 October, 2.30pm – 3.30pm**

**ILLUSTRATED TALK: Helena Molony (1883-1967)**

Aimee Plunkett discusses republican, feminist and trade union activist Helena Molony. Aimee Plunkett works for the Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht and is a former historical tour guide at the GPO Witness History Visitor Centre.

Age 12+

**Saturday 10 November, 2.30pm – 3.30pm**

**ILLUSTRATED TALK: Charlotte Despard (1844-1939)**

Dr Ann Matthews discusses the life and times of Anglo-Irish suffragist, novelist and republican activist Charlotte Despard (née French). Matthews completed her PhD in History at NUI, Maynooth in 2004, and is the author of *Renegades: Irish Republican Women 1900-1922*.

Age 12+

**Saturday 8 December, 2.30pm – 3.30pm**

**ILLUSTRATED TALK: Eva Goore-Booth (1870-1926)**

Jamie Canavan, IRC-funded PhD student at NUI Galway, explores the life and legacy of the Celtic Revival poet and dramatist Eva Gore-Booth, younger sister of Constance de Markievicz and a committed suffragist and labour activist.

Age 12+

## EXHIBITIONS

2018 has been designated the European Year of Cultural Heritage. Throughout the year, the museum will host a series of temporary exhibitions to celebrate Galway's diverse cultural heritage.

### 13 July to 24 November: 'Tom Molineaux (1784-1818) – the slave who fought his way to freedom'

Two hundred years ago, boxer Tom Molineaux died a pauper in the band room of a Galway barracks and was buried in Mervue. Born a slave on a Virginia plantation, Molineaux had boxed his way to freedom and crossed the Atlantic as American heavyweight champion to challenge the English and Irish title holders.

### 30 November to spring 2019: 'The Markets of Galway'

In the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, Galway was an important market town where people from the surrounding districts came to buy and sell produce to the townspeople and to each other. On market days, cattle and pigs or turf and hay were traded in Eyre Square, vegetables, butter, eggs and fowl were sold on the streets surrounding the Collegiate Church of St Nicholas, fish was available for sale at the Spanish Arch, turf at Raven Terrace, potatoes at the Small Crane and willow baskets at Wood Quay. This exhibition of images shows the variety and vibrancy of Galway's markets.

For further details visit [www.galwaycitymuseum.ie](http://www.galwaycitymuseum.ie)



## RECENT DONATIONS

### The Holland Collection

The Holland Collection comprises a large variety of event posters from the 1970s and 1980s which reflect on the social life of people in and around Galway. The posters are advertisements for gigs held at Leisureland, Salthill, University College, Galway and the Manhattan Bar to name a few, with featured bands including Sidewinder, Moving Hearts, Freddie White, The Undertones, The Jam and guitarist, Eric Clapton who played a 'sold-out gig' at Leisureland, Salthill in March 1979 to a crowd of 2,350 people. Galway City Museum is very grateful for this very generous donation.

You can now view our collections online at [www.galwaycitymuseum.ie](http://www.galwaycitymuseum.ie)

Eric Clapton plays Leisureland, Salthill, 1979

Pat Egan from Santa Anna  
is proud to present the first ever nationwide tour  
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WITH THE **Freddie  
White Band.**

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**Leisureland, Galway.**  
**Sun. 11<sup>TH</sup> March. at 8p.m.**  
Adm. £3-50. Tickets from  
**STAR RECORDS & ZHIVAGO RECORDS.**



Photo by Kelvin Gilmore

## How to Book:

For further information or to make a booking please contact Galway City Museum on (091) 532460.

Please note the following:

- Events are **FREE** of charge unless otherwise stated and all materials are supplied.
- Events **must** be booked in **advance** (except where stated).
- Places are **limited** so book **early** to avoid disappointment.
- Please ensure you arrive in **advance** of the start time, otherwise your place may be reallocated.
- If you have booked and are unable to attend please contact the museum as soon as possible so that your place may be reallocated.

## Contact:

Galway City Museum, Spanish Parade, Galway City.

Tel: (091) 532460

Email: [museum@galwaycity.ie](mailto:museum@galwaycity.ie)

Website: [www.galwaycitymuseum.ie](http://www.galwaycitymuseum.ie)



## Mailing List:

If you wish to join our mailing list please contact the museum on (091) 532460 or email: [museum@galwaycity.ie](mailto:museum@galwaycity.ie)

## Opening Hours:

Tuesday to Saturday, 10am to 5pm

Sunday (summer only), 12pm to 5pm

Admission Free.

## Children's Activities:

Activity sheets for children in English and Irish - *My Favourite Object / An Rud Is Fearr Liom* - are available from Reception. A variety of other activity and colouring sheets are also available.