

23rd Australasian Conference of Irish Studies 27-30 November 2018

CONFERENCE CIRCULAR – AUGUST 2018

Dear delegates,

The conference is now a little over three months away. We greatly look forward to welcoming you to Sydney in November.

This is a brief update on the event

The conference will host over 45 regular papers and 4 keynote lectures, in what offers to be a very stimulating event. There will also be some special sessions, including and two book launches and a short excursion.

We have not yet formalised the final running order of papers, but hope to do so by the end of August. The following details will be of use for those planning their arrival and return.

Location

- The conference will be held on the main (Camperdown) campus of the University of Sydney. This is a short bus ride from the City and the Central Railway Station. There is a train link from the Airport to Central Station. A re-chargeable Opal card, for Sydney transport, is obtainable over the counter from most convenience stores (<https://www.opal.com.au/en/get-an-opal-card/>).

Running Order

- There will be a colloquium (Tionól) through the medium of the Irish language on Tuesday afternoon 27 November, from 2.00-5.30 PM, prior to the commencement of the main conference.
- There will be informal drinks on Tuesday evening, following the Tionól, to mark the beginning of the conference.
- All papers (apart from those at the Tionól) will be delivered between 9.30 AM Wednesday and 4PM on Friday.
- There will be a reception on Wednesday evening from 5.00-6.30 PM
- There will also be a conference dinner. The price is not included in the registration fee and we will contact you about this separately when venue and details are finalised.
- The whole conference will finish by 4pm on Friday 30 November.
- We hope to post the draft programme by the end of August.

REGISTRATION

We will shortly send out the conference registration form, which will also be available on the conference web-page:

<http://whatson.sydney.edu.au/events/published/23rd-australasian-conference-of-irish-studies>.

Registration costs will be:

- \$320 – Full Registration (\$300 for ISAANZ Members)
- \$160 – Students/Unwaged/Retired
- \$150 – Day registration

Day registration is not required for those *only* attending the Tionól.

Registration includes:

- Attendance at all sessions
- Teas, coffees, and light lunch on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday
- Receptions
- Afternoon excursion on Thursday
- *It does not include the Conference Dinner*

ACCOMMODATION

You are advised to seek out accommodation well in advance as pressure on Sydney venues is great at all times of the year.

The Camperdown Campus is located close to the CBD, on major transport links. For those using booking websites, note that the suburbs of Newtown, Glebe, Forest Lodge, Camperdown and Chippendale, are all adjacent to the campus.

Thank you for your interest in the conference and please email me if you require any further information.

We will keep you posted as more arrangements are finalized.

Yours sincerely,

Jonathan Wooding, Conference Convener

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