
Wednesday, September 7, 2016 - Thursday, September 8, 2016

UMass Lowell Inn & Conference Center
50 Warren Street
Lowell, MA 01852
Wednesday, September 7, 2016

5 – 6 p.m.  Conference Registration
Location: Hallway outside Lower Locks, 1st Floor

6 – 7 p.m.  Networking Reception
Location: Lower Locks, 1st Floor

7 - 8 p.m.  Introductions and Keynote Address
Conference Introduction
Chair: Victoria Denoon, Co-Director, Center for Irish Partnerships
Speakers: Jacqueline Moloney, Chancellor of UMass Lowell
          Professor Audrey Horning, Queen’s University Belfast.

Keynote Address
Title: Remembering 1916: Legacy and Commemoration
Chair: Professor Keith Lilley, ‘Living Legacies 1914 – 1918’, Queen’s
       University Belfast
Speaker: William Blair, Head of Human History, National Museums Northern
         Ireland
Location: Lower Locks, 1st Floor
Thursday, September 8, 2016

8 – 9 a.m. Conference Registration
Location: Hallway outside Grand Ballroom, 1st Floor

9 – 9:15 a.m. Conference Welcome
Chair: Victoria Denoon, Co-Director, Center for Irish Partnerships
Speaker: The Honorable Fionnuala Quinlan, Consul General of Ireland to Boston
Location: Grand Ballroom, 1st Floor

9:15 – 10 a.m. From Past Conflict to Shared Future: Exploring the ‘Living Legacies’ of World War 1 and 1916
Chair: Prof. Audrey Horning, Queen’s University Belfast
Speaker: Prof. Keith Lilley, ‘Living Legacies 1914 – 1918’
Location: Grand Ballroom, 1st Floor

10 – 10:45 a.m. Remembering 1916: Session 1 - Community Engagement in Northern Ireland
Chair: Dr. Steve McCarthy, Co-Director, Center for Irish Partnership
Speaker: Dr. Kurt Taroff, Queen’s University Belfast
Sophie Long, PhD Candidate at Queen's University Belfast
Location: Grand Ballroom, 1st Floor

10:45 – 11 a.m. Coffee /Tea Break

11– 11:45 a.m. Excavating 1916: Community Archaeology in Action
Chair: Erin Caples, Associate Director, Center for Irish Partnerships
Speaker: Dr. Colm Donnelly, Director, Centre for Archaeological Fieldwork (CAF) and Senior Research Fellow at Queen’s University Belfast
Heather Montgomery, Queen’s University Belfast
Location: Grand Ballroom, 1st Floor

11:45 – 12:30 p.m. Memorializing 1916: The Rising, Tradition and Social Memory
Chair: Ruairí O’Mahony, Associate Director, Center for Irish Partnerships
Speakers: Dr. Tomás Mac Conmara, Manager, Cork Folklore Project
Thomas O’Mahony, Cork Folklore Project
Location: Grand Ballroom, 1st Floor

12:30 – 1:30 p.m. Lunch
Location: Grand Ballroom, 1st Floor
1:30 - 2:15 p.m. Exhibiting 1916: Community Engagement and Curating Practices  
Chair: Steven Rogers, Senior Director of Development, UMass Lowell  
Speaker: William Blair, Head of Human History, National Museums Northern Ireland  
Fiona Byrne, Living Legacies 1914 – 1918  
Sophie Long, PhD Candidate at Queen's University Belfast  

Location: Grand Ballroom, 1st Floor

2:15 – 3:30 p.m. Remembering 1916: Session II - Irish-American Identity and Remembrance  
Chair: Dr. Frank Talty, Co-Director, Center for Irish Partnerships  
Location: Grand Ballroom, 1st Floor

Title: “Lowell and the Rising: What Do the Newspapers Tell Us?”  
Speaker: Prof. Robert Forrant, University of Massachusetts Lowell

Title: “Lowell’s Contributions to World War I”  
Speaker: Eileen Loucraft, Lowell Historical Society

3:30 – 4:30 p.m. Irish-American Connections: Reflecting on 1916 and 2016 - a Roundtable  
Chair: Prof. Keith Lilley, ‘Living Legacies 1914 – 1918’, Queen’s University Belfast  
Location: Grand Ballroom, 1st Floor

4:30 – 6 p.m. Conference Closing and Reception  
Location: Grand Ballroom, 1st Floor