

Public Lecture Series 2001

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The Irish Studies Centre

The main aim of the Irish Studies Centre is the promotion of Irish Studies as an academic area through research, teaching, documentation and community liaison. The focus of the teaching and research programme of the Centre is the political, social, cultural and economic changes in modern Ireland and the Irish diaspora.

Current developments include:

- MA Irish Contemporary Studies
- A national survey of the second generation Irish in Britain
- A major expansion of the Irish in Britain Archive
- The publication of 'Second Generation Irish People in Britain: a Demographic, Socio-economic and Health Profile'.

The Public Lecture Series is an annual highlight and it is open to any interested member of the public. Speakers have included Helena Kennedy QC, Fergal Keane, Professor Seamus Deane, Edna O'Brien, Professor Declan Kiberd, Fintan O'Toole, Nuala Ní Dhomhnaill, David Ervine MP and Taoiseach Bertie Ahern. The lectures are participatory in nature, with a 'question and answer' session. They are followed by a reception, which provides an opportunity to meet the speaker personally and to network with other members of the audience.

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Professor Terry Eagleton

'Saint Oscar'

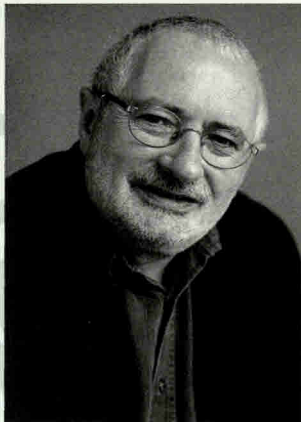
Professor Eagleton is Britain's foremost Marxist literary critic.

Upon graduating from Trinity College, Cambridge in 1964, he was elected to a Research Fellowship in English at Jesus College, the youngest Fellow since the 18th century. Professor Eagleton held the Thomas Warton Chair of English Literature and a Fellowship at St Catherine's College, Oxford, between 1992 and 2001, when he took up his current post of Professor of Cultural Theory and John Rylands Fellow at The University of Manchester's Department of English and American Studies.

Professor Eagleton has published extensively and has authored 25 books and edited and introduced a further 17 other volumes. *Literary Theory: An Introduction* has sold more than 750,000 copies. His latest book is *The Idea of Culture*.

Thursday 8 November 2001, 7.30pm

Reception to follow



PANEL DEBATE

'EUROPEAN INTEGRATION AND THE EURO'

Anthony Coughlan, Trinity College Dublin

Anthony Coughlan is one of Ireland's leading EU critics and has written widely on the EU and the Euro. An economist, he is Senior Lecturer Emeritus in Social Policy at Trinity College Dublin. He is secretary of The National Platform, which was influential in winning an Irish 'no' vote to the Nice Treaty in the Republic's constitutional referendum, and a board member of TEAM, the European Alliance of EU-Critical Movements.

Lord Christopher Haskins, Chairman, Northern Foods plc

Lord Haskins graduated from Trinity College Dublin in 1959. He joined Northern Foods in 1962 and became Chairman in 1986. He has advised UK and Irish Governments on agricultural, economic and environmental policies and was recently appointed Rural Recovery Co-ordinator. Lord Haskins is also Chairman of the Better Regulation Task Force and a member of the Board of Yorkshire Forward. His previous membership activities include: the Irish Government's Industrial Policy Review Group (1991-92); the Independent Commission on Social Justice (1992-94); the UK Government's Round Table on Sustainable Development (1995-98); and the New Deal Task Force (1997-2001).

Margaret Doyle, The Economist

Margaret Doyle is the Editor of Economist TV, the television arm of The Economist. Previously Finance Correspondent, she has also written for the City pages of The Daily Telegraph and worked as a management consultant in McKinsey's financial institutions group. Margaret holds a degree in economics from Trinity College, Dublin, where she was an Entrance Exhibitioner and Foundation Scholar, and a Baker Scholarship from the Harvard Business School. She is a regular commentator on programmes including BBC1's Breakfast, BBC World's World Business Report and Radio 4's The World Tonight.

Professor J J Lee (University College Cork)

Professor J.J. Lee is Head of the Department of History at University College Cork, and a member of the Royal Irish Academy. His previous posts include Fellow of Peterhouse, Cambridge; inaugural Visiting Glucksman Professor of Irish Studies at New York University, and Distinguished Professor of World Peace at the University of Texas at Austin. He has also been Chairman of the Fulbright Commission, and served as an independent member of the Irish Senate and the British-Irish Parliamentary Committee. Prof. Lee's publications include *Ireland 1912-1985*, which was awarded the Aer Lingus/Irish Times Prize for Literature, the Donnelly Prize of the American Conference for Irish Studies, and the Sunday Independent/Irish Life Prize for History.

Thursday 22 November 2001, 7.30pm

Reception to follow

An Uachtarán Mary McAleese

'AN ADDRESS BY THE PRESIDENT OF IRELAND'

Mary McAleese was inaugurated as President of Ireland in November 1997.

After graduating from Queen's University Belfast, she was called to the Northern Ireland Bar and practised criminal and family law. In 1975, she became Reid Professor of Criminal Law, Criminology and Penology in Trinity College Dublin, and in 1979 joined RTÉ as a journalist and presenter. In 1987, Mary McAleese was appointed Director of the Institute of Professional Legal Studies which trains barristers and solicitors for the legal profession in Northern Ireland. She is also a Pro-Vice Chancellor of Queen's University Belfast.



Among the other appointments she has held are: Director, Royal Group of Hospitals Trust; Delegate to the 1995 White House Conference on Trade and Investment in Ireland; Member of the Catholic Church delegation in 1996 to the North Commission on Contentious Parades; Member of the Catholic Church Episcopal Delegation to the New Ireland Forum in 1984; and Founder member of the Irish Commission for Prisoners Overseas.

Friday 30 November, 7.30pm

Reception to follow

Admission

The Public Lecture Series is open to any interested member of the public.
All lectures are FREE and commence at 7.30pm.
Entrance is by registration only.

Venue

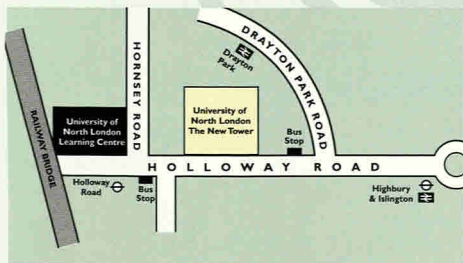
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By train: Highbury and Islington, Drayton Park

By bus: 29, 43, 91, 153, 253, 259, 271, 279, N21, N29, N90, N92, N253



Registration

Please indicate how many seats you would like reserved for each date in the box provided (NB maximum 2 reservations per person).

Thursday 8 November, Professor Terry Eagleton

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Thursday 22 November, Panel Debate

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Friday 30 November, An Uachtarán Mary McAleese

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