



## *Irish Studies Workshop*

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### 12TH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IRISH DIMENSIONS IN BRITISH EDUCATION

SATURDAY 8TH APRIL 1995

#### 'PERCEPTIONS OF THE IRISH : IDENTITIES AND IMAGES'

This conference is aimed at teachers, parents, first and second generation Irish, Irish Community organisations and all those interested in the relationship between culture and education - especially older students and teaching staff in secondary, further, community and higher education.

This year there will be two guest speakers:

- 1) STEVEN FIELDING of University of Salford on, "A VIABLE IDENTITY?" - IRISH CATHOLICS IN ENGLAND, 1880 - 1939.
- 2) BELINDA LOFTUS - "MIRRORS: ORANGE AND GREEN" - POPULAR ART IN NORTHERN IRELAND Arts and Cultural Development Officer, Down District Council.

#### CONFERENCE TIMETABLE - SATURDAY 8 APRIL 1995

09.30 - 10.15	Registration (coffee available in Refectory upstairs)
10.15 - 11.15	STEVEN FIELDING
11.15 - 11.45	Coffee
11.45 - 1.00	Workshops - see list of choices (1st session)
01.00 - 14.15	Lunch
14.15 - 15.15	BELINDA LOFTUS
15.15 - 15.45	Tea
15.45 - 17.00	Workshops (2nd session)
17.15 - 18.00	Hot Supper
18.00	Bus Service to station for those leaving early
18.00 - 21.00	<u>Evening Entertainment:</u> Traditional Music Session, Singing, Dancing; with Poetry Readings from Gabriel Rosenstock and Micheal O'Siadhail.
21.00	Last Bus to Station. Departure of London Bus.

(Note): if you wish to contribute to the early evening entertainment, you are most welcome. Lounge Bar available.

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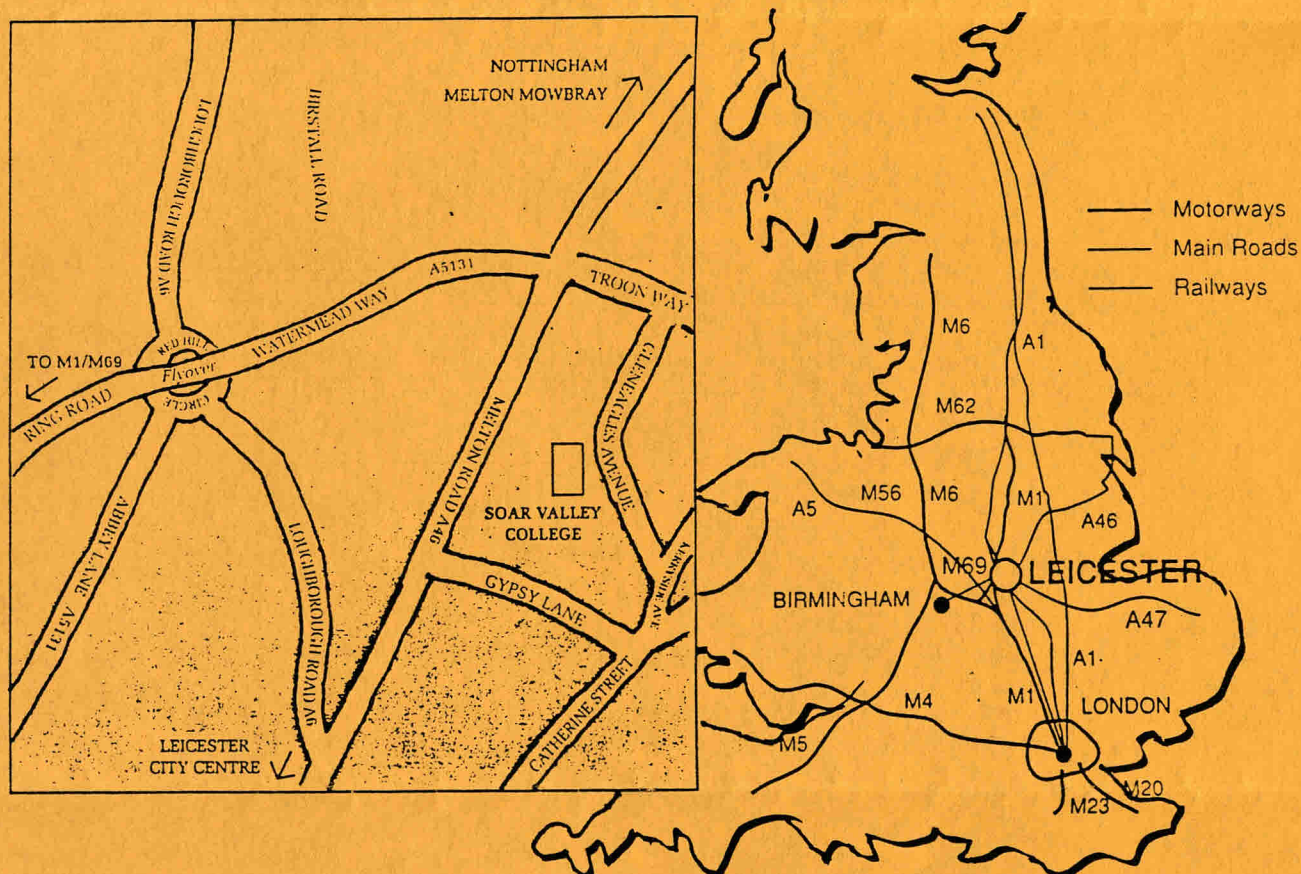
British Association  
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- \* All Main Lectures will be in large hall.
- \* Workshops and Seminars will be in other designated areas.
- \* The College's FAX NO is: 0533 - 660634.
- \* A CRECHE for 3-8 year olds will operate; Parents are responsible at breaks and meals times.
- \* There will be designated cloakroom space.
- \* There is a wide range of workshops to choose from covering many aspects of development; please choose from list which follows.

THIS IS A POPULAR EVENT - YOU ARE ADVISED TO BOOK EARLY TO ASSURE YOUR PLACE.



## Soar Valley College LOCATION

The College occupies a site of 25 acres off Gleneagles Avenue in the north-eastern part of the city of Leicester.

It is within easy reach of Leicester's rail and bus stations and close to the M1 and M69 motorways.



## 1995 CONFERENCE ARRANGEMENTS

Please retain for reference.

- 1) BOOKING CONFERENCE PLACES: Because of the expense and administration involved, PLEASE BOOK IF POSSIBLE BEFORE END OF FEBRUARY 1995. The scale of fees is:

£15.00 for individuals

£12.50 for unwaged, senior citizens, students, etc.

£35.00 for educational institutions, community associations, etc.

Please enclose £2 extra to cover Shuttle Bus Service to and from Leicester Station.

Please enclosed £10 extra to cover return coach journey London (Willesden Green) to Leicester.

The fee covers the following: buffet lunch;; tea/coffee at breaks; and a hot supper; It does not cover accommodation (See Paragraph 2).

CHEQUES should be made payable to: "S.V.C Allowances Account."

Note: Conference Papers and receipts will be issued at Registration on the morning of Saturday, 8 April; please ensure your place is secure. You will be contacted beforehand only if there is a problem of some sort.

- 2) BOOKING ACCOMMODATION - A special arrangement has been agreed with the LEICESTER CONFERENCE BUREAU (Tel: 0533 - 547799; ask for Nikki) which is handling all matters to do with accommodation. (Therefore PLEASE DO NOT contact the College in respect of accommodation.) A separate BOOKING FORM for accommodation is attached to this brochure.

Please NOTE: overnight stay offered above is available in 3 STAR HOTELS in the City Centre (SEE SEPARATE ENCLOSURE.) As many of our participants come in groups, the special offer does represent excellent value; similar conference charge around £100.

- ACCOMMODATION IS TO BE BOOKED VIA THE BUREAU (NOT the College).

(The College can accept no enquiries, bookings or monies for hotels.)

- TO OBTAIN CHEAP RATES, HOTEL BOOKINGS MUST BE MADE BY THE 1 MAR '95 The Bureau will send on all details and finalise hotel arrangements with you direct.

- 3) SPECIAL BUS SERVICE. A chartered bus service will operate in respect to the following:

- a pick-up point at London Road B.R. Station on Saturday am for trains arriving before and up to 9.30. Return fare £2; add to enrolment fee.

- Saturday pm. - at conclusion of programme buses will take participants to the Rail Station. There will be two services : one at 18.00 and a second at 21.00.

(The distance from College to hotels is about 2½ miles; therefore journey times should be more than 15 minutes at most.) The Bus Company is called CONFIDENCE COACHES: the vehicles can be identified by their dark/blue/light blue livery. The Saturday am pick-up point will be immediately outside the Station.

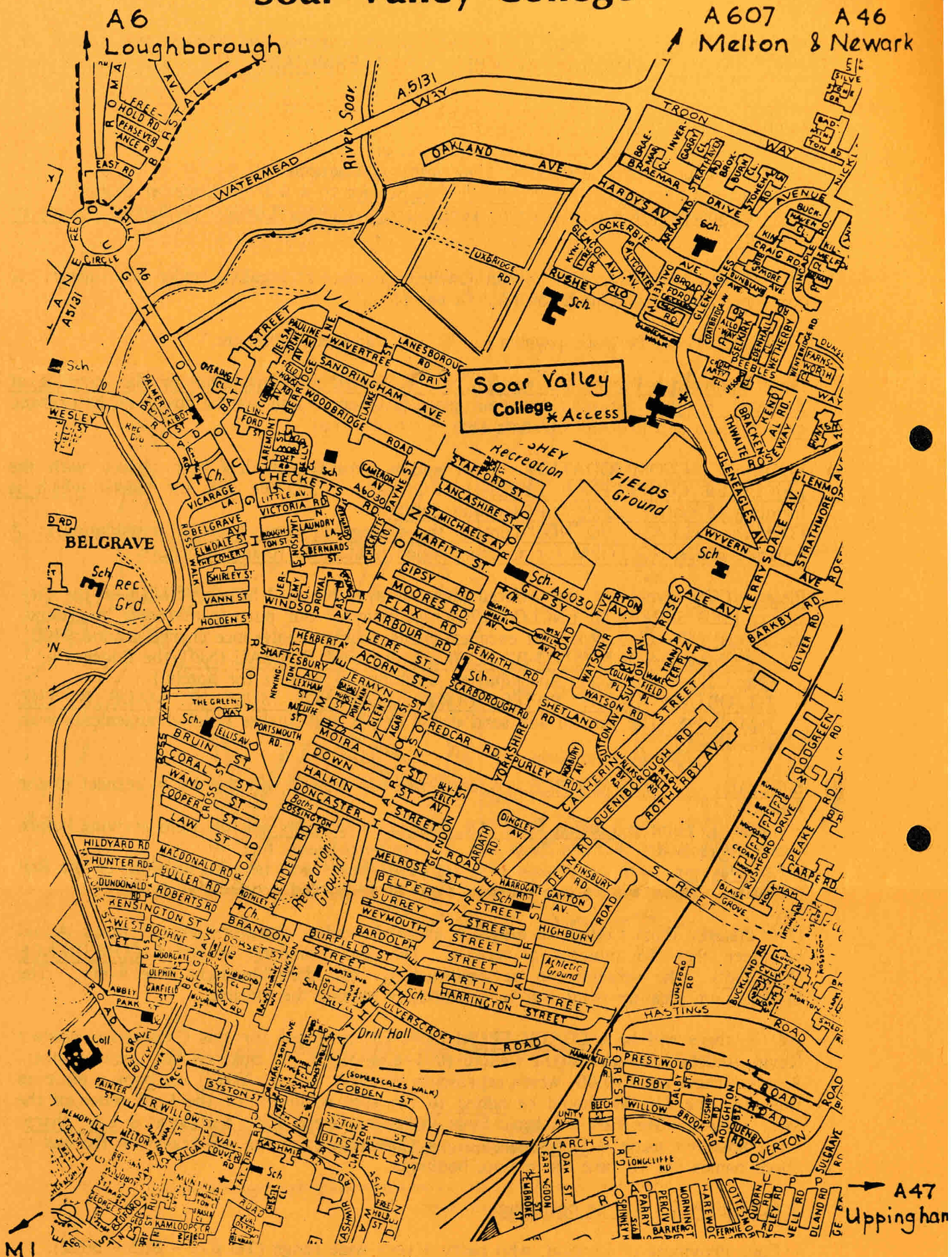
NOTE: there will be a COACH FROM LONDON arranged for this Conference; contact Kevin Anderson at the Brent Centre (071-624-3158), or Suki on the same number. Return tickets are £10.00, which represents excellent value. NOTE: to book a place on this bus, the £10.00 should be added to the sum enclosed for the Conference, on the same cheque. The Bus will leave from Willesden Green Tube Station at 8 a.m. sharp: bus company's name is SCAN coaches. A Conference Courier will travel on the bus to check names and to take last minute bookings.

- \* 2 BOOKSTALLS will be operating:

- Four Provinces of London, who carry a very wide range (Tel 071 - 833 - 3022).  
- Canavan's Antiquarian Irish Books, for the afficianados.



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Workshop No	<p align="center"><b><u>WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS</u></b></p> <p>Please note your choice of workshop in the boxes provided and keep this sheet for reference</p>
1	<b>SHELAGH LEWIS</b> , Ad Ed Lect, Bucks LEA <b><u>CELTIC ARCHAEOLOGY: "CELTIC IRELAND AND ROMAN BRITAIN"</u></b> - Neighbours but were they good friends? General, and for KS2 of the National Curriculum
2	<b>MICHEAL O'SIADHAIL</b> Poetry and Society : Editing <b><u>POETRY IRELAND</u></b> , in the context of today.
3 *	<b>DAVID SMITH</b> , Traveller Research Project. <b><u>THE PAINTED CARTS AND WAGONS OF THE IRISH TRAVELLING PEOPLE</u></b>
4	<b>J M BRADLEY</b> , Caledonian University, Glasgow. <b><u>THE IRISH IN SCOTLAND - HIDDEN IDENTITY.</u></b>
5	<b>GABRIEL ROSENSTOCK</b> , of An Gum Publishing House - <b><u>RECENT WRITING IN IRISH</u></b> : A discussion.
6 Δ	<b><u>THREE TRADITIONAL MUSIC TEACHERS</u></b> WORKSHOPS: Fiddle (Lamont Gillespie) and Flute (John Blake).
7	<b>JOE SHEERAN</b> (Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann, Bradford) <b><u>THE CULRA TRADITIONAL MUSIC CERTIFICATE SCHEME</u></b>
8	<b>LOUISE RYAN</b> , University of Central Lancashire <b><u>IRISH WOMEN AND THE SUFFRAGETTE MOVEMENT</u></b>
9	<b>JOSEPHINE FEENEY</b> , new author, Leicester based teacher <b><u>MODERN SECOND GENERATION FICTION</u></b>
10	<b>LIZ CURTIS</b> , author; Information on Ireland <b><u>WOMEN, WORKERS AND PEASANTS IN THE CAUSE OF IRISH INDEPENDENCE</u></b> , her new publication.
11 Δ	<b>KEVIN ANDERSON</b> (London Irish Commission/Culture and Education) <b><u>IRISH STUDIES IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS : A CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT PROJECT</u></b>
12	<b>KEVIN BEAN</b> (post grad student, University of Liverpool Irish Studies Inst.) <b><u>THE ANGLO-IRISH PEACE PROCESS</u></b> : recent developments in the strategy and ideology of Republicanism.
13	<b>PETER HAMMOND</b> ; doctoral research archaeologist. <b><u>THE ARCHAEOLOGY OF THE IRISH CLAY PIPE</u></b> re settlement in Britain.
14	<b>STEVE MILLS</b> , University of Keele. <b><u>IRELAND THROUGH THE EYES OF THE WORLD FAIRS IN THE USA, ESPECIALLY IN CHICAGO (1893) AND NEW YORK (1939)</u></b>

\* EVENING ENTERTAINMENT : 6 - 9 pm

Δ Traditional Music, Song and Dance, and poetry readings from Gabriel Rosenstock and Micheal O'Siadhail.

Note The traditional Music Workshops will cover Fiddle, Flute and Accordion. The informal evening session will include opportunities to learn a Set Dance (the Derada Sets from Co. Mayo)

Δ Organised in collaboration with Siol Phádraig Cultural Programme

\* **SPECIAL EXHIBITION**: re - D Smith's Traveller's talk; there will be an associated Photographic Exhibition on display.



PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT



# TOM BARCLAY

## THE AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF A BOTTLE-WASHER

After 60 years, a NEW EDITION of Tom BARCLAY'S classic autobiography of a second generation Irish person in Britain is available. MEMOIRS AND MEDLEYS - THE AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF A BOTTLE-WASHER (1852-1933), with new introductions, relevant to the fields of Irish Studies, political science, and allied interests, will shortly be published.

For readers with an interest in things Irish, Barclay's story is essential for an understanding of the migrant and second generation experiences in Britain in the period c.1850-1930. Long out of print, the autobiography covers:-

- a childhood spent in the Irish "rookeries" of Leicester, a town of strong Protestant opinions and traditions.
- graphic descriptions of a Catholic education and upbringing, and of attendant anti-Irish prejudice.
- The use of the Irish tongue by his family and others in Leicester, and the vital community significance of this survival.
- views of current affairs, from the Fenians, through to disillusionment with the Free State of the 1920's.
- a complete chapter devoted to Conradh na Gaeilge (the Gaelic League), and Barclay's cultural experiences in turn-of-the-century Ireland. He took his roots seriously, learning Irish in London in the heyday of the League, and meeting famous personalities of the Gaelic Revival period such as Pierce Beasley, W.P. Ryan, P.T. Macginly, Fionan MacColm, Sean O'Cahan and Dr. Henry.
- a positive appreciation of the place of traditional Irish music, song and dance in the life of the Irish community in Britain.

Until now, Barclay's story has been used only very selectively by a few historians of the Irish in Britain. Only by reading the complete work can a lucid picture of the fascinating life of a Second generation Irish person in Britain be formed.

The New Edition: the twin introductions cover all aspects of Barclay's life and importance. NESSAN DANAHER B.A., M.Ed, Co-ordinator of The Irish Studies Workshop at Soar Valley Community College, Leicester, and doctoral student at the Irish Studies Centre, University of North London, analysis and discusses Barclay's place amongst the Irish in Britain and the cultural significance of his work for issues of social, ethnic and psychological identity.

DR. DAVID NASH, recently at the Urban Studies Centre, University of Leicester, and now Lecturer at Brookes University, Oxford, deals with Barclay's central involvement in Secularism, Socialism and other forms of radical politics. Barclay was actively in touch with such leading political lights as G.B. Shaw, John Ruskin, William Morris and Edward Carpenter; in 1890 he was Leicester delegate to the Socialist League Conference in London.

Self taught, Tom Barclay (1852-1933) the freethinking son of Catholic Irish migrants, was in turn poet, linguist, social reformer and litterateur; he was the friend of Wm. Morris, George Bernard Shaw, etc.

A major reprint of this important work.

With revised introductions and illustrated with photographs of the period.

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE

Publication of this interesting book must necessarily be by subscription and depend on the amount of support promised in advance.

Intending subscribers are requested to fill up the attached form and forward it to the address below.

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# 1995 CONFERENCE BOOKING FORM

REPLY SLIP - (Please return with fee to Mr Danaher, Conference Co-ordinator, address as on preceding page, before 1 March 1995.)

12TH ANNUAL NATIONAL CONFERENCE - IRISH STUDIES WORKSHOP - SATURDAY, 8 APRIL 1995.

Name: ..... NOTE: This form may be used for registering more than 1 person; please attach full relevant details and correct fee.  
Address: .....  
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Post Code: ..... Tel No: ..... A location MAP is attached.

## FEE SCHEDULE

For individuals, standard rate £15.00

For Senior Citizens, Unwaged, £12.50

For individuals representing institutions, £35.00

CRECHE: £3 per child; Enclose £3 per child, and give name and age.

NOTE: Shuttle Bus From and to Station - enclose extra £2.00

LONDON Shuttle Bus - enclose extra £10.00

Total Fee enclosed = £ ..... Cheques to "SVC Allowances Account"

Remember to include extra fees re bus journeys and creche if applicable.

If you are representing an educational institution or Irish Community Organisation please specify name, address and tel. no. Official receipts will be issued at registration on day, together with full conference documentation, to all participants. Therefore you will not receive a further letter; bookings sent with fees guarantee a place.

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Please choose 3 WORKSHOPS to reflect your preferences	Choice	No	Workshop chosen Title
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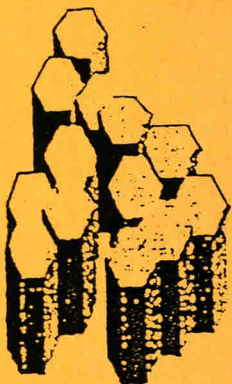
## TICK BOX

- Are you booking accommodation via Conference Bureau? ☐
- Are you a vegetarian. ☐
- Do you have any special needs? Please specify below. ☐
- Do you wish to use the Leicester Station Bus Shuttle? Enclose extra £2 ☐
- Do you wish to use the London Bus Shuttle? Enclose extra £10.00 ☐

Please specify Special Needs? .....

Remember to inform your hotel also.

- CRECHE: please state names and ages of children. Enclose fee. ☐



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## THE GREAT FAMINE

### FACSIMILE DOCUMENTS PACK

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To mark the 150th anniversary of the Great Famine, the British Association for Irish Studies has commissioned Dr. Christine Kinealy to produce a Facsimile Documents Pack. The Pack will consist of a variety of original sources examining the state of Ireland before, during and after the Famine. It will also look at the interpretations of a range of historians - nationalist, revisionist, as well as the work of econometricists and of post-revisionists including Kinealy herself. The associated text, whilst appealing to those in the education sector at all levels, is primarily aimed at the Irish diaspora and especially the Irish in Britain.

The Association is proud to be working with Dr. Kinealy whose recently published book, "This Great Calamity - The Irish Famine 1845-52" (Gill and Macmillan 1994), has received rave reviews and is destined to become THE work on the Famine for many years to come.

In its own way the Documents Pack aims to have the same impact and to be THE Commemorative Pack for 1995 and beyond. It will consist of 5 sections, be of 80-100 sides in length, and in terms of quality, content and value for money will be far superior to similar format documents packs currently available on other topics.

Publication Date: September 1995.

Price: 4:95 (excluding postage and packing)

For further details please contact:

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Convenor  
B.A.I.S. Education Standing Committee  
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# LEICESTERSHIRE

VISITOR & CONFERENCE BUREAU

## IRISH STUDIES WORKSHOP 12TH INTERNATIONAL ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Leicestershire Visitor & Conference Bureau are delighted to be co-ordinating the accommodation for this event. For the third year running, we are offering The Leicester International Hotel but with the addition of The Hotel St. James.

Please read the details below and make your reservation on the form overleaf. The closing date for reservations is **Monday, 27th March, 1995**. Booking forms must be returned to us before this date and must be accompanied by **payment in full**. (See 'how to pay' on the booking form). You will then be issued with a receipt and letter of confirmation. **BOOKINGS ARE TAKEN ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS AND WE WOULD RECOMMEND RETURNING THIS FORM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT.**

### THE LEICESTER INTERNATIONAL HOTEL

A limited service three star standard hotel offering budget accommodation and situated on Humberstone Road in City Centre. All rooms are en-suite and equipped with a colour TV, direct-dial phone, tea and coffee making facilities and air conditioning. The hotel does not serve evening meals but does have a bar which provides sandwiches. Parking on-site is extremely limited but there are two NCP car parks close by.

#### *Special Conference Accommodation Rates*

£27.50 per person Bed & Full English Breakfast in a Single Room  
£16.75 per person Bed & Full English Breakfast in a Twin/Double Room

### HOTEL ST. JAMES

A three star City Centre hotel situated above a multi-storey car park so no problems with parking. All rooms are en-suite and have tea and coffee making facilities, a colour TV and direct-dial phones. The hotel has good restaurant and bar facilities.

#### *Special Conference Accommodation Rates*

£25.00 per person Bed & Full English Breakfast in a Single Room  
£16.25 per person Bed & Full English Breakfast in a Twin/Double Room

N.B. All rates are per night and the Conference Bureau does not take responsibility for the twinning-up of delegates



# IRISH STUDIES CONFERENCE

## ACCOMMODATION BOOKING FORM

Name: .....

Address: .....

..... Postcode: .....

Daytime Telephone No: .....

### ACCOMMODATION REQUIRED (please state number of rooms required)

Single Rooms

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Twin Rooms

☐

Double Rooms

☐

(please tick nights and hotel required)

Friday 7th April 1995

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Saturday 8th April 1995

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Sunday 9th April 1995

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Leicester International Hotel

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Hotel St. James

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### HOW TO PAY

To secure your booking, you must return this form with your payment in full

**By Cheque:** Made payable to LEICESTER PROMOTIONS LTD

**By Credit Card:** We are able to accept Access and Visa Cards (NOT SWITCH)

Please charge my account with the amount of: £ .....

Card Type: Access/Visa (please delete)

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PLEASE ENSURE THAT THE NUMBER IS COMPLETE

Expiry Date: ..... / ..... Signature: .....

**RETURN THIS FORM BEFORE MONDAY, 27TH MARCH, 1995 TO:**

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