



## Irish Studies Workshop

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### IRISH DIMENSIONS IN BRITISH EDUCATION 8TH NATIONAL CONFERENCE - Saturday 9 February, 1991

#### 'CULTURAL TRADITIONS IN IRISH HISTORY': THE NATIONAL CURRICULUM DEBATE AND THE GENDER FACTOR

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.

This year there will be two guest speakers:

- (1) JONATHAN BARDON Head of the Academic and Continuing Education Dept of Belfast College of Business Studies will talk on 'CULTURAL TRADITIONS AND TEACHING HISTORY: THE NORTHERN IRELAND EXPERIENCE.' - with thoughts on how that experience might relate to National Curriculum proposals in Great Britain. Jonathan is the author of the now celebrated illustrated books on Dublin and Belfast.
- (2) MARGARET WARD the author of the highly regarded volume entitled "Unmanageable Revolutionaries - Women and Irish Nationalism" will speak on "PUTTING GENDER INTO IRISH HISTORY." She will assess the achievements of feminist historians and discuss the question of whether Irish history will sufficiently integrate feminist insights in order to give a balanced reflection of men and women's experiences.

There is a wide range of Workshops to choose from covering many aspects of development; please choose from list overleaf.

<u>DATE:</u>	Saturday 9 February 1991
<u>TIMES:</u>	9.30 am - 4.45 pm
<u>VENUE:</u>	Soar Valley College (location map overleaf)
<u>FEE:</u>	£8.00 - this covers registration, coffee/tea on arrival, and at am and pm breaks, and a 3 course lunch. (£4.00 concession rate).
<u>CRECHE:</u>	Please indicate clearly if you require this facility; creche fee is £1.00 per child (includes meal and drinks). State child's <u>age</u> . (Due to facilities available, no under-2s can be catered for)

CHEQUES should be sent, together with reply slip, to Mr N Danaher, address as above, and made payable to Irish Studies Workshop. There will be a bookstall (run by Four Provinces Books, on 071-833-3011).

We wish to thank the ROBERT TRESSELL MUSEUM OF LOCAL HISTORY (Liverpool) for the loan of the exhibition on the LIFE AND TIMES OF ROBERT TRESSELL author of 'The Ragged Trousered Philanthropist'. Our '1990 Report' will be distributed at this conference.

#### CONFERENCE TIMETABLE

0.930-10.00	Registration (coffee available in Refectory upstairs).
10.00-11.00	<u>MARGARET WARD: "PUTTING GENDER INTO IRISH HISTORY"</u>
11.00-11.30	Coffee
11.30-12.45	Workshops - see list of choices on Page 3 (1st session).
12.45-2.00	Lunch (lounge available) extra session on Cornerstone Community
2.00-3.00	<u>JONATHAN BARDON: "CULTURAL TRADITIONS AND TEACHING HISTORY"</u>
3.00-3.30	Tea
3.30-4.45	Workshops (2nd Session)
4.45	Farewell. There will be no plenary because of the long return journeys that most participants have to make.



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**NOTE:** For your own benefit, please keep a note of the Seminars/Workshops that you have opted to attend (see list below). There is a wide range to choose from; please select three, and order them in number of preference on the reply slip below. We shall endeavour to offer you two, to match your order of preference. A full range of Seminars/Workshops will be offered in both the morning and afternoon sessions. (No 7 will run 3 times - see note below).

No.	Tick Box	WORKSHOPS - Please note your choice of workshops in the boxes provided and keep for reference. Remember to indicate these on RETURN SLIP below.
1		REG HALL, currently doing a Ph.D. at Sussex Univ, will consider <u>IRISH TRADITIONAL MUSIC &amp; THE IRISH IN BRITAIN</u> , an important aspect of community identity and social activity.
2		MAGGIE PEARSON/LIAM GREENSLADE of the Irish Studies Inst. at the Univ of Liverpool will look at <u>THE HEALTH OF THE IRISH IN BRITAIN</u> , exploring patterns, research evidence and tentative conclusions.
3		JOHN NETTLETON, curator of the <u>ROBERT TRESSELL (NOONAN) MUSEUM OF LOCAL LOCAL HISTORY</u> in Liverpool will consider the Life and Times of Robert Noonan, author of the celebrated socialist novel " <u>The Ragged Trousered Philanthropist</u> ".
4		MARJE BRIDLE OF THE Development Education Centre in Birmingham will look at the <u>Joint Development Education Project</u> (GB, Ireland & N Ireland), and discuss <u>CROSS-CURRICULAR THEMES FOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS</u> .
5		MAUDE CASEY, author of ' <u>Over the Water</u> ', the acclaimed novel about a <u>second generation Irish girl</u> , and her experiences here and in Ireland, will talk about this work, and the new C.U.P. edition which is related to <u>NATIONAL CURRICULUM ENGLISH 14-16</u> .
		WORKSHOPS 6 - 9 LISTED OVERLEAF:-

\*REPLY SLIP - (Please return with fee to Mr. Danaher, Conference Co-ordinator, address as on preceding page, before 1 February 1991).

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Name ..... NOTE: This form may be used for registering more than 1 person; please attach relevant details and correct fee.

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Post Code ..... Tel No ..... Do you require Creche? (give ages please)

Total Fee enclosed = £ \_\_\_\_\_ Cheques to Irish Studies Workshop Are you a vegetarian? Yes/No

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.

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Please choose 3 WORKSHOPS to reflect your preferences	Choice	No	Workshop Chosen Title
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WORKSHOPS 6 - 9 CONTINUED:-

6		<p><u>PATRICK O'SULLIVAN</u> of the Department of Applied Soc. Scis, at Bradford University, editor of the proposed series <u>The Irish World Wide: History, Heritage, Identity</u> will discuss research strategies; participants should bring their own projects/research ideas for discussion.</p>
7		<p><u>THE CORNERSTONE COMMUNITY: REVS SAM BURCH &amp; GERRY REYNOLDS</u> (Methodist &amp; R.C. respectively) will talk collaboratively about <u>WORKING TOGETHER FOR PEACE IN WEST BELFAST</u>. This ecumenical<sup>group</sup> has a Community base on the 'peace line' and operates in the Falls and the Shankill - as a team. Note: this workshop will run <u>3</u> times, am, pm and lunchtime, therefore it can be attended at lunch, leaving participants free for other options am and pm.</p>
8		<p>The Workshop will mark 1991 as the 75th anniversary of the 1916 Easter Rising by inviting <u>RUTH DUDLEY EDWARDS</u>, national Chair of BAIS and biographer of Pearse, to run a seminar on <u>PATRICK PEARSE: EVALUATING HIS ROLE</u>.</p>
9		<p><u>IRISH LANGUAGE WORKSHOP: "TEACHING &amp; PROMOTING AN GHAELIGE IN IPSWICH"</u> - <u>"TEAGASC AGUS CUR CHUN CINN NA GAEILGE IN IPSWICH"</u>: this will cover different teaching methodologies for different groups and the activities of the local branch of <u>CONRADH NA GAEILGE</u> (Craobh Phádraig <u>Wi Dhonnchú</u>)</p>