

Ninth Annual HISTORIC HOUSES OF IRELAND Conference

‘Past and Future Perspectives’

National University of Ireland Maynooth, 8-9 June 2011

PROGRAMME

Wednesday, 8 June 2011

(*Free to all*)

Venue: **Callan Hall**

18.45-19.00

Welcome: Professor Tom Collins, President of NUIM

Official opening of conference: Mr. Jimmy Deenihan, T.D.,
Minister for Arts, Heritage and Gaeltacht Affairs

19.00-19.45

Keynote address: Terence Dooley & Christopher Ridgway: ‘The Irish country house: past and future perspectives’

19.45

Book Launch and Reception

The Irish country house: its past, present and future
(eds Terence Dooley and Christopher Ridgway)

Thursday, 9 June 2011

(*Registration required: see booking form*)

Venue: **Callan Hall**

08.45-09.30

Registration

09.30-11.00

Session 1: Research – Part I (Chair: Donough Cahill, IGS)

Aoife Hurley & John Cahill (OPW): ‘Dublin Castle: between and beyond the royal visits, 1911–2011’

Anne Casement: ‘James Gibbs’ scheme for the Londonderry family’

Kevin Mulligan: ‘Rediscovered views of Ballyfin by William Ashford’

Jane Fenlon: ‘“Woven frescoes” – tapestry collections in seventeenth-century Ireland’

Questions

11.00-11.30 *Tea/Coffee*

11.30-12.15 **Session 2: Open Forum Discussion (Chair: Camilla McAleese)**

‘The Irish country house: going forward from 2011’

12.15-13.00 **Session 3: Research – Part II (Chair: Alison FitzGerald)**

Emer Crooke: ‘ “A subject for the crowbar”: The offer of Bishops court to the State, 1966–71’

Neil Watt: ‘ “Akin to a nunnery”: spinsters and spinsterhood in ascendancy Ireland, 1860–1920’

Linda Cotugno & Fabio Famoso: ‘The great houses of Sicily in the twenty–first century’

Questions

13.00-14.00 *Lunch*

14.00-15.30 **Session 4: Conservation & Environmental Issues (Chair: Terence Dooley)**

Christopher Ridgway: ‘Conservation management planning and historic estates’

Keith Jones (National Trust (Wales)): ‘Sustainable estates – opportunity or threat?’

Terry Levinthal (National Trust for Scotland): ‘Old green, new green – when heritage meets eco’

15.30-16.15 **Session 5: Case Studies: Ireland and England (Chair: Kevin Baird)**

Eric Blatchford: ‘Russborough House & Demesne – bridging the gap between costs & revenue in the twenty–first century’

Hugh Dixon: ‘Seaton Delaval – being different?’

Questions

16.15-16.45 *Tea/Coffee*

16.45-17.45 **Session 6: The Country House Reaching Out (Chair: Christopher Ridgway)**

Lori Beckett & John Carr: ‘Glyde Court working estate – a potential for partnership?’

George Gossip: ‘Launching the Historic Houses Association of Ireland website: the benefits for private owners’

17.45 *Closing remarks*

REGISTRATION FEE: €80 per person

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BOOKING FORM

South Campus, NUI Maynooth
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Telephone Number(s): _____

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Booking Information

Please send the completed registration form **by post** only to CSHIHE, Junior Infirmary, South Campus, NUI Maynooth, Maynooth, Co. Kildare before Friday 27 May 2011. Cheques and bank drafts should be made payable to Centre for the Study of Historic Irish Houses & Estates or, simply, CSHIHE.

Places will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Payment of registration fee must be received to guarantee a booking. Receipt of payment will be acknowledged by e-mail unless otherwise requested. Refunds for cancelled bookings will not be made.

Please note that information provided above (name, institutional affiliation & e-mail address only) may be compiled into a delegates listing to be distributed at the conference. Please tick here if you do not wish your information to be included in the delegates list

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