

EVENTS APRIL 2011

Saturday 2 April 2.30pm FREE

Tour of the National Library

Learn about the National Library's history and architecture on this guided tour.

Wednesday 6 April 1pm FREE - every Wednesday

The Life of WB Yeats

Join our tour-guide for a brief lunch-time tour of our award winning Yeats exhibition. This 30 minute tour will introduce you to WB Yeats - the man & the poet.

Wednesday 6 April 7pm FREE

One City One Book event

'Gallous Stories and Dirty Deeds' - Synge and Irish Theatre

Dr Patrick Lonergan, NUI Galway.

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Thursday 14 April 1pm FREE

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Alex Ward from the National Museum of Ireland discusses *'Dress in the Edwardian Era'*.

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Tuesday 19 April 7pm FREE

Memoir Lecture

Join writer and journalist Greg Baxter for *'This is not a book; this is dynamite: Reading and writing literary autobiography'*

Wednesday 20 April 7pm FREE

One City One Book event

Join Ronnie O'Gorman, Chairman of the Friends of Coole as he discusses

'Ireland's greatest woman' - scenes from the life of Lady Augusta Gregory

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EXHIBITIONS

Discover Your National Library: Explore, Reflect, Connect

Celebrate Ireland's rich history and heritage with the free multimedia exhibition *Discover Your National Library at 2/3 Kildare Street*, which brings you some of our most precious treasures, and allows you to hear from the curators who take care of them.

A new selection of treasures is now on display in *Discover*, including 700 year-old manuscripts, 19th century eviction photographs, a letter from war artist William Orpen, illustrations from some of Ireland's best illustrators of children's books, and a special display on our "throw-away treasures". This phase of the exhibition, which runs through 2011, includes a special focus on the history of the Irish Texts Society.

Tall Tales & Deadly Drawings

Kids of all ages will love our colourful display in the Library's main hall, *Tall Tales and Deadly Drawings*, featuring Irish children's books and amazing illustrations from our collection of drawings. Get involved when you visit - leave us a magic leaf telling us about your own favourites, and watch out for characters from the exhibition as you explore the Library! The display will be on view throughout 2011.

Yeats: the Life and Works of William Butler Yeats

This award-winning exhibition is a must see for all Yeats fans. Free guided tour available on Wednesdays at 1pm.

Power and Privilege: Photographs of the Big House in Ireland 1858-1922

Explore the world of the Irish country house in this exhibition at the National Photographic Archive.