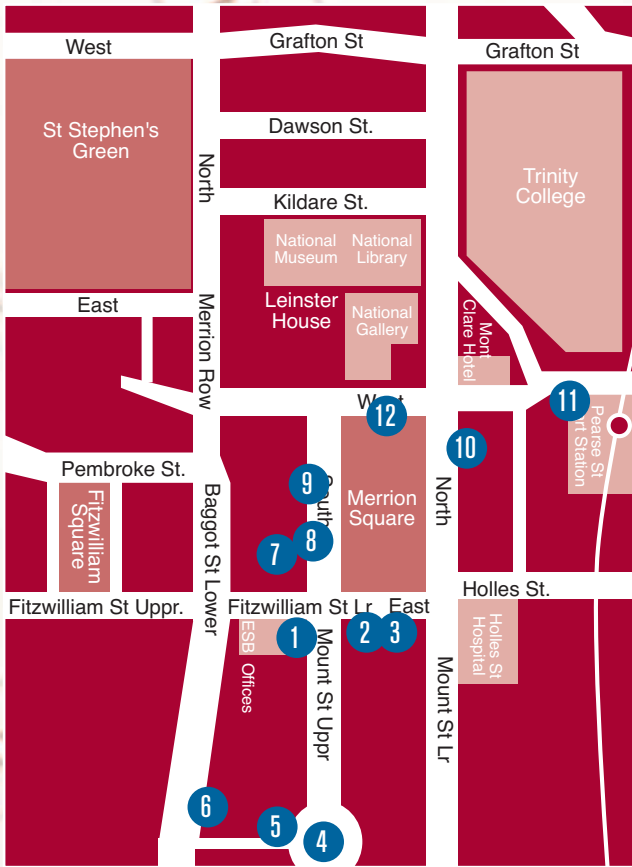


# Merrion Square Heritage Open Day

Saturday 30th August 2008

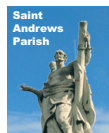
10am-5pm



1. 29 Fitzwilliam Street Lower Georgian House Museum.
2. 49 Merrion Square. Unique painted murals in first floor rooms. The National University of Ireland.
3. 45 Merrion Square. Irish Architectural Archives.
4. St. Stephen's Pepper Canister Church.
5. Outside Number 1 Herbert Street. (opp Pepper Canister). Meeting point for In Search of a Lost Landscape.
6. Mercy International Chapel, Baggot Street Lower.
7. 63 Fitzwilliam Lane. The Merrion Mews & Stables. Restored Coach house, Coach yard and Horse Stables. The Irish Landmark Trust.
8. 63 Merrion Square, House and Garden of the Royal Society of Antiquaries of Ireland.
9. 74 Merrion Square, Meeting Point for Literary Merrion Square Tour .
10. 8 Merrion Square, Architecture Centre and Townhouse, Royal Institute of Architects of Ireland.
11. St. Andrew's Parish Church, Westland Row.
12. Rutland Fountain, Merrion Square West. Meet here for the Architectural Merrion Square walking tour



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*Now in its fourth year, the Merrion Square Open Day is a day of special events celebrating the rich and diverse heritage of Merrion Square and its surroundings. Explore Georgian Dublin in a relaxed and informal programme, taking in the houses, gardens, and churches at the heart of the city. Visitors will have an opportunity to see properties not often open to the public and enjoy special talks, walks, workshops, and music in historic churches in a programme with something for everyone.*

The event is organised by Electricity Supply Board (Number Twenty Nine Fitzwilliam Street Lower), the Irish Architectural Archive, the Irish Georgian Society, St. Stephen's Parish Church, the Irish Landmark Trust, the Mercy International Centre, the National University of Ireland, the Royal Institute of Architects of Ireland, The Royal Society of Antiquaries of Ireland, and St. Andrew's Parish Church.

Places for the **talks, workshops, walks, and music** are limited so booking is recommended. To book and for more information please see [www.esb.ie/no29](http://www.esb.ie/no29) or call 01 7026165.

## OPEN DOORS

Throughout the day visitors will also be able to call into and gain a fresh perspective on some of the area's well known and lesser known buildings, from 10am until 5pm\*, including

- 8 Merrion Square Townhouse & Architecture Centre (ground floor access) ♿
- 45 Merrion Square Townhouse, exhibition & archive ♿
- 49 Merrion Square Unique painted murals on first floor
- St. Stephen's Pepper Canister Church, Mount Street Upper ♿
- 29 Fitzwilliam Street Lr. Georgian house museum (ground floor and basement access) ♿
- 63 Merrion Square Townhouse, garden, & archive
- 63 Fitzwilliam Lane The Merrion Mews & Stables. Restored Coach house, Coach yard and Horse Stables. The Irish Landmark Trust. (\*10am- 4pm)
- Mercy International Chapel Baggot Street, (\*1pm- 5pm) ♿
- St. Andrew's Parish Church on Westland Row ♿



## PROGRAMME

- 10am Meet at Rutland Fountain opposite National Gallery of Ireland for 'Architectural Walking Tour of Merrion Square' with art historian Conor Lucey, School of Art History and Cultural Policy, UCD. ♿
- 11am Mystery Venue. '18th Century Breakfast: How Georgian Dubliners Spent the Morning'. An informal talk and chance to sample some light Georgian fare with Katherine Cahill, food historian and author of 'Mrs. Delany's Menus, Medicines and Manners'.
- 11am Guided Tour of 63 Merrion Square, home of the Royal Society of Antiquaries of Ireland. \*
- 12pm 'From Georgian Society to Irish Georgian Society: Fifty Years of the Irish Georgian Society' by David Griffin, Director of the Irish Architectural Archive and Donough Cahill, Director of the Irish Georgian Society. ' 45 Merrion Square. ♿
- 12pm. 'My Favourite Dublin' Create your own Favourite Dublin work of art in a fun and family-oriented workshop led by children's author & illustrator Adrienne Geoghegan. Suitable for ages 6-8 yrs. Meet at 29 Fitzwilliam Street Lr. ♿
- 1pm 'In Search of a Lost Landscape: the Mews of Merrion Square', exploring the mews houses and stable lanes of the Georgian city, with urban geographer and author, Dr. Ruth Mc Manus of St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra. Meet outside Number 1 Herbert Street. (opp. Pepper Canister) ♿
- 1pm Meet at St. Stephen's Church, Mount Street Upper 'Aires for a Georgian Day', a potpourri of late 18th & early 19th century chamber music with renowned musicians, Francis Kiernan (Flute) and Áine Ní Dhubbhghail (Harp) in the unique setting of this landmark church. ♿
- 1.45pm. 'The Architectural Archive's New Home: A History of Number 45', by Simon Lincoln, Exhibitions and Outreach Officer, Irish Architectural Archive. 45 Merrion Square. ♿
- 2.30pm: 'Mural Painting in Ireland: An Exploration' by Dr Joseph Mc Brinn, University of Ulster. A special event to celebrate the Centenary of the National University of Ireland. Venue: 29 Fitzwilliam Street Lower.
- 2.30pm 'My Favourite Dublin'. Create your own 'Favourite Dublin' work of art in a fun and family-oriented workshop led by children's author and illustrator Adrienne Geoghegan. Meet at 29 Fitzwilliam Street Lower. Suitable for ages 8-10 yrs. ♿
- 3.30pm Meet at Number 74 Merrion Square for 'A Literary Walk around the Square' explore the literary and cultural heritage of Merrion Square with author and critic Paul O'Brien. ♿
- 3.30pm 'A Window on Baggot Street', a guided tour of Mercy Chapel & House. Baggot Street. Meet at 64 A Baggot Street Lower.
- 4.30pm Meet at St. Stephen's Church, Mount Street Upper for 'Aires for a Georgian Day', a potpourri of late 18th & early 19th century chamber music with renowned musicians, Francis Kiernan (Flute) and Áine Ní Dhubbhghail (Harp) in the unique setting of this landmark church. ♿

\* Guided tours of Number 63 will run at set times throughout the day. Please contact 7026165 for details.

