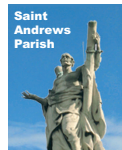


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7. Rutland Fountain, Merrion Square West. Meet here for Dr. Conor Lucey's walking tour.
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11. Sweny's Victorian Chemist, Lincoln Place. Venue for 'Recreations and Recitations' from James Joyce's Ulysses.
12. Natural History Museum. Venue for Nigel Monaghan's walking tour and the Family Tour, 'Furry Friends.'
13. The National Gallery of Ireland. Lecture Theatre.



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*Georgian Dublin's Merrion
Square Open Day
and its Historic Houses, Churches,
Gardens and Surroundings.*

Saturday 27th August 2011
10am to 5.00pm

Celebrating Heritage Week

Organised by
Number 29, Fitzwilliam Street Lower
Electricity Supply Board's Georgian House Museum

MERRION SQUARE OPEN DAY SATURDAY 27TH AUGUST 2011

10AM - 5.00PM

Dublin's Merrion Square and Gardens Open Day is a day of special events celebrating the rich and diverse heritage of Merrion Square and its surroundings. Visitors will have an opportunity to see properties not often open to the public and enjoy special talks, walks, and music in a programme with something for everyone.

Places for some events and tours are limited and most are allocated on a first come basis. The event is organised by Electricity Supply Board (Number 29), in association with the Dublin Civic Trust (Dublin Garden Squares Day), the Irish Architectural Archive, the Irish Georgian Society, St. Stephen's Parish Church (the Pepper Canister), the National Museum of Ireland, the National Gallery of Ireland, the National University of Ireland, the Royal Institute of the Architects of Ireland, the Royal Society of Antiquaries of Ireland, St. Andrew's Parish Church, the Keough Naughton Notre Dame Centre, and Sweny's Chemist.

TALKS AND TOURS

- 10am-5pm Free guided tours of Number 29, Georgian House Museum. Partial wheel chair access.
- 10am-5pm Irish Architectural Archive, 45 Merrion Square. Open for guided tours of the largest terraced house on Merrion Square and an opportunity to see the exhibition, *Pier Luigi Nervi: Project and Structure*. ♿
- 10.30am Walking tour with Geraldine Walsh, Dublin Civic Trust, examining the development of the square and the evolution of its architectural building patterns. Meet at Oscar Wilde statue. ♿
- 11.00am Illustrated talk in the RIAI, 'Painting and Decorating the Georgian Interior.' 8 Merrion Square with Dr. Conor Lucey, University College Dublin.
- 11.00am A History of St. Andrew's Church, Westland Row, with Gregory Pepper. Meet inside the church. ♿
- 11am-5pm The Royal Society of Antiquaries of Ireland, Number 63 Merrion Square. Explore this fine townhouse and its recently restored Georgian back garden.
- 11am-5pm Traditional crafts demonstration and woodturning with Eoin Donnelly and hand carving with Terrence McSweeney. East side of the Square. ♿
- 12.00pm The Natural History Museum Keeper, Nigel Monaghan, will give a walking tour outlining the history of the Museum. Not wheelchair accessible. Adults tour.
- 12.00pm Meet inside Merrion Square at the floral display area for: The Irish Astronomical Association presents 'Sunshine Special Solar Day in the Square.' The Discovery Programme Team will give a demonstration on how archaeological sites are examined using advanced techniques. ♿
- 1.00pm Irish Georgian Society's architectural walking tour of Merrion Square with Dr Conor Lucey, University College Dublin. Meet at Rutland Fountain opposite National Gallery of Ireland. ♿
- 1.00pm Punch and Judy Theatre with Custard Pie (Conor Lambert). East side of the Square. ♿
- 2pm-3.30pm The Jay Asolo Dance Academy. Dance exhibition and master-class for children. East side of the square. ♿
- 3.00pm 'Dublin: Capital of Culture:' an illustrated lecture. Kevin Whelan is Director of the Keough Naughton Centre of the University of Notre Dame on Merrion Square. He has authored or edited fifteen books and he has lectured on Irish topics in over a dozen countries. Among his books are *The Tree of Liberty* (1996), *Fellowship of Freedom* (1998), and *The Atlas of the Irish Rural Landscape* (second edition, 2011). Meet at 58 Merrion Square.
- 3.00pm The Natural History Museum. Family Tour: Furry Friends. Fur helps keep an animal warm and can even help them swim! Find out more on this tour. Not wheelchair accessible.

- 3.00pm Guided Garden tour of Merrion Square, its trees and shrubs. Meet at Oscar Wilde statue. ♿
- 3.00pm 'Recreations and Recitations' from James Joyce's *Ulysses*, at Sweny's Victorian Chemist, Lincoln Place. Please note that space is precious and limited. ♿
- 3.30- 5pm Live Music. East side of the Square. ♿
- Music at the Pepper Canister Church** ♿
- 12.00pm Organ and flute with Ciarán O Connell and Siobhán Kilkelly.
& 1:30pm Music by Geminiani, Fauré, Guilman and Martin.
- 3.00pm Piano recital by Melissa Jennings. Music by Haydn, Chopin, Debussy and Albeniz.
- The National Gallery** ♿
- 11.30am Highlights of the National Gallery of Ireland's Collection.
12.30pm Aspects of Irish Art.
2.30pm Some National Gallery Favourites.
3.30pm The World of Jack B Yeats.
- 3.00pm Hosting a supervised children's art hour in the atrium. Materials provided.

HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Throughout the day visitors will also be able to drop into the area's well known and lesser known historic buildings, including:

Number 29, Georgian House Museum, Fitzwilliam Street Lower. Partial wheelchair access. Guided tours throughout the day.

8 Merrion Square, Royal Institute of the Architects of Ireland. Townhouse and Architecture Centre. Partial wheelchair access. Self guided.

45 Merrion Square, Irish Architectural Archive. Guided tours of the largest house on Merrion Square ♿

49 Merrion Square, National University of Ireland. Unique painted murals on the first floor. Self Guided.

St. Stephen's Pepper Canister Church. Self guided. ♿

58 Merrion Square, Daniel O'Connell House, The Keough Naughton Notre Dame Centre. Partial wheelchair access by arrangement. Guided tours on the hour. Booking required, please phone: 01 611 0611.

63 Merrion Square, Royal Society of Antiquaries of Ireland.

Sweny's Chemist. Victorian Chemist mentioned in *Ulysses*. Lincoln Place. Drop in 10am-5pm. ♿

St. Andrew's Parish Church on Westland Row. Self guided. ♿