

MERRION SQUARE OPEN DAY

Sat 27 August 2016, 10am–5pm

Explore the heart of Georgian Dublin

www.merrionsquare.ie

DAVENPORT HOTEL

8–10 Merrion Street Lower | www.davenporthotel.ie | 01 6073500

Afternoon tea courtesy of the Davenport Hotel. You are welcome between 10am–12pm to the Davenport Hotel's newly refreshed President's Bar. Join us for tea, coffee and something sweet during the Merrion Square Open Day.

10am – 12pm

IRISH ARCHITECTURAL ARCHIVE

45 Merrion Square | www.iarc.ie | 01 6633040

Open for guided tours of the largest terraced house on Merrion Square and an opportunity to see our three latest exhibitions. *After Easter: Photographs of Dublin* by Thomas Johnson Westropp, *Ebb and Flow of East Belfast: Etchings* by Bronagh Lawson and *Capstones Shift: architectural legacies of the revolutionary period in Dublin*.

11am – 4pm

INSTITUTE OF ARCHAEOLOGISTS

63 Merrion Square | www.iai.ie | 01 6629571

Celebrate the world of archaeology at Archaeofest 2016. Join the Institute of Archaeologists in Merrion Square Park for historical re-enactments, archaeological digs, the Bouncy Dolmen and much more! Archaeofest 2016 is hosted by the Institute of Archaeologists in association with Dublin City Council.

11am – 4pm

IRISH TRADITIONAL MUSIC ARCHIVE

73 Merrion Square | www.itma.ie | 01 6619699

Recording the Tradition Exhibition: Sound Technology & Irish Traditional Music. Irish traditional music has been recorded for well over 100 years. On display will be recording and playback equipment spanning the centuries and the opportunity to hear decades of sound.

10am – 5pm

NATIONAL GALLERY OF IRELAND

Clare Street, Dublin 2 | www.nationalgallery.ie | 01 6615133

10.30am–4pm Open Day: *100 Years of Irish Art from the Archives*, No. 5 South Leinster Street

12pm Tour: Georgian Townhouse, No. 5 South Leinster Street (Booking essential – info@ngi.ie)

2pm Tour: Georgian Townhouse, No. 5 South Leinster Street (Booking essential – info@ngi.ie)

3pm Talk: *Depictions of the West of Ireland*

Exhibition: *Eclectic Images: Recent Acquisitions 2011–2016*

9.15am – 5.30pm

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF IRELAND

49 Merrion Square | www.nui.ie | 01 4392424

Self-guided tour of the unique painted murals on the first floor with staff available for questions.

11am – 5pm

MERRION SQUARE PARK

Merrion Square | www.dublincity.ie | 01 2225278

Celebrate the world of archaeology at Archaeofest 2016 in Merrion Square Park with historical re-enactments, archaeological digs, the Bouncy Dolmen and much more! Visit the Giant's Garden playground and walk along the sculpture boulevard. Archaeofest 2016 is hosted by the Institute of Archaeologists in association with Dublin City Council.

11am – 4pm

NATIONAL PRINT MUSEUM

Beggars Bush, Haddington Road | www.nationalprintmuseum.ie
01 6603770 | info@nationalprintmuseum.ie

Beggars Bush Barracks 1916 Rising Walking Tour: Join the National Print Museum for a tour of Beggars Bush Barracks and surrounding area set in the context of its involvement in Easter Week 1916. Free admission, booking required.

2.30pm

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF IRELAND, ARCHAEOLOGY

Kildare Street | www.museum.ie | 01 6777444

Artefact Detective – Learn how to think like an archaeologist and try to solve the puzzle of some mystery objects during this drop-in session! Located in the Learning Resource Room, first floor. No booking required. Not wheelchair accessible.

2pm – 4pm

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF IRELAND, NATURAL HISTORY

Merrion Street | www.museum.ie | 01 6486316

The Summer Sun Trail – Call into The Dead Zoo and complete our Summer Sun activity sheet trail. Pencils will be available all day! No booking required. Wheelchair accessible.

10am – 4pm

NUMBER TWENTY NINE, ESB'S GEORGIAN HOUSE MUSEUM

29 Fitzwilliam Street Lower, (on the corner of Merrion Square, where Fitzwilliam Street Lower meets Mount Street Upper) www.numbertwenty-nine.ie | 01 7026163

Free entry to all visitors. Experience what life was like for the fortunate who lived in such elegant townhouses, and the less fortunate who worked in them. An ideal visit for history buffs of all ages or the plain curious! Why not come along to enjoy a varied repertoire of traditional and classical flute music in Georgian surroundings with Róisín Ní Bhriain, flautist. Róisín studied flute at the Royal Irish Academy of Music and has performed with the RTÉ National Symphony Orchestra and the Irish Philharmonic Orchestra. Róisín will be playing in our elegant drawing room between 2pm and 4pm.

10am – 5pm

ROYAL INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS OF IRELAND

8 Merrion Square | www.riai.ie | 01 676 1703

The RIAI Bookshop will be open and offer a special 10% discount on all books. A great opportunity to avail of the largest range of architectural and design books in any one location in Ireland... ideal and unusual gifts for the design lover in your life or for yourself!

10am – 5pm

All events are free however some are ticketed. Please visit the individual websites for further information and updates.

THE MERRION HOTEL

Upper Merrion Street | www.merrionhotel.com | 01 603 0600

Exclusive private guided tours of the Merrion Hotel art collection with a guide from the National Gallery. Places are strictly limited to a maximum of 10. To make a booking email: marketing@merrionhotel.com. Meet at the Front Hall.

First tour at 10am/Second tour at 11am

THE ROYAL SOCIETY OF ANTIQUARIES OF IRELAND

63 Merrion Square | www.rsai.ie | 01 6761749

Glorying in their Country's Early Legends: The Royal Society of Antiquaries of Ireland 100 years ago.

10am – 4pm

THE COLLEGE OF ANAESTHETISTS OF IRELAND

22 Merrion Square North | www.anaesthesia.ie | 01 6614412

Introductory talk on the history of Anaesthesia and Merrion Square followed by a tour of the building and a short demo in the simulated theatre. Places are limited to 15 spaces on a first come, first served basis.

11am

THE WILDE

53 Merrion Square | www.iconicoffices.ie | 01 9053508

This stylishly restored Georgian house is now one of the many impressive Georgian spaces and serviced office centres by Iconic Offices in Dublin 2. Usually only open to clients of the serviced offices spaces, we are excited to open our doors and welcome you in on Saturday August 27th! Launched in June this year, “The Wilde” was named after our famous Merrion Square resident and Irishman, Oscar Wilde but took a design direction lending to “all things wild” as the build progressed – come see for yourself! For further information email: TheWilde@iconicoffices.ie.

Open 11am – 4pm. Tours at 11, 12, 2 and 3pm

The Merrion Square Open Day is co-ordinated by the Merrion Square Innovation Network whose mission is to realise the potential of Merrion Square and make effective use of its considerable and distinctive cultural and historical assets and to develop it into a vibrant cultural and tourism cluster.