

2013 PROGRAMME

31st Biennial Irish Conference of Historians
Newman Building, UCD, 7-8 June 2013

Unravelling Violence: Historians, Narratives and Meanings

Friday 7 June

Registration, 2-3 p.m.

UCD School of History and Archives, Room K115

Early Scholars Panel

3-4.30 p.m., Room C108

Chair: James Kelly, St Patrick's College, Drumcondra

- Frances Nolan, UCD: 'The Rhetoric of Redress: depictions of violence in Parliamentary petitions after the Williamite-Jacobite War and the idea of gendered appeal'
- Tomás Mac Conmara, University of Limerick: 'The War of Independence in County Clare: Violence, vernacular social memory and current epistemic limits of historiography'
- Brian Hughes, TCD: 'Making the terror behind greater than the terror in front: Discipline, the death penalty and the fear of violence within the IRA, 1920-1922'

Plenary Lecture

4.45-6 p.m., Room C108

Chair: John McCafferty, UCD

- Professor Joanna Bourke, Birkbeck college, University of London: 'Giving Meaning to Violence: Reflections on Modern Irish History'

Reception and launch by Keith Jeffery, QUB, of volume 28 in the ICH Historical Studies series:

DEATH AND DYING IN AND DYING IN IRELAND, BRITAIN AND EUROPE: HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES, edited by James Kelly and Mary Ann Lyons (Irish Academic Press, 2013).

6 - 7 p.m., Room B104, UCD Staff Common Room

Conference Dinner

8 p.m., Roly's Cafe, Ballsbridge

Saturday, 8 June

All sessions take place in room C108

I. Perspectives on Violence

9.30-10.45 a.m., Room C108

Chair: Eve Morrison, TCD

- William Mulligan, UCD: 'Violent humanitarianism and imperial order'
- Anne Dolan, TCD: 'Reckoning right and wrong: violence and the vulnerable in Ireland's revolution'

Tea / Coffee

10.45-11 a.m., Room K115

II. Defining Violence and Combat (Compensating Violence)

11-12.15 p.m., Room C108

Chair: Matthew Lewis, UCD

- Martyn J. Powell, University of Aberystwyth: 'Money for the Maimed: Houghed Soldiers, Kilmainham Hospital and the Irish Parliament in the Late Eighteenth Century'
- Marie Coleman, QUB: 'Defining revolutionary violence in Ireland between 1916 and 1923'

Lunch

12.15-12.45 p.m., Room K115

RIA Committee for Historical Sciences AGM

12.45-1.15 p.m., Room K114

III. Experiencing Violence

1.15-2.30 p.m., Room C108

Chair: Dianne Hall, Victoria University

- Clodagh Tait, Mary Immaculate College, University of Limerick: "'A print on my body of this day's service": experiences of 'wounds and hurts' in early modern Irish warfare'

- Hilary Marland, University of Warwick: 'Violence, birth and madness in nineteenth-century Britain'

IV: Perceptions of Violence

2.45-4 p.m., Room C108

Chair: Carole Holohan, UCD

- Fiachra Byrne, UCD: 'Violence, madness and Irish patients: the practice and perception of physical aggression in Irish mental hospitals, 1900-67'
- Jason McElligott, Marsh's Library: 'Narrating and analysing violence'

Tea / Coffee

4-4.15 p.m., Room K115

V: Memory and the Transformation of Violent pasts

4.15-5.30 p.m., Room C108

Chair: Marian Lyons, NUIM

- Judith Devlin, UCD: 'Violence in post-Soviet memory'
- Roisin Higgins, Boston College: "'Once we were men, now we are epochs": transforming violence through commemoration'

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