



What better way could you find to spoil yourself, than to come away to the Sligo Park Hotel, and the beautiful Sligo countryside?

The hotel is set on lush quiet parkland and surrounded by some of the most scenic country-side in Ireland, ranging from the majestic Ben Bulbin, to the gentle waters of Lough Gill.

The Saturday tour explores the best of Yeats Country, stopping to view the places that caught the imagination of the youthful W.B. Yeats and his brother, the painter Jack B. Yeats.

## TARIFF

Full programme as outlined, with two nights' Bed and Breakfast; with Dinner one night.

Full use of the Leisure Club, from €279 per person sharing. (Single room supplement €39 per night) Superior Supplement € 20 per person per night

Avail of a Special 3rd night rate of €69 B&B per person sharing

### How to find us:

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welcomes you to the

# 30<sup>th</sup> YEATS WINTER SCHOOL

24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> January 2025

A weekend of relaxation, lectures, music and a tour of Yeats Country

Director, James Pethica with guests Anne Margaret Daniel and Iggy McGovern

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## YEATS WINTER SCHOOL

The Yeats Winter School offers an opportunity for reading, exploring and thinking about Yeats's poetry, plays and prose, and for learning more about him and the other creative members of his family, amidst the landscape which inspired them.

### Director **JAMES PETHICA**

James Pethica teaches Irish Studies and Modernism at Williams College in Massachusetts. A former Director of the Yeats International Summer School (2010-12), he is at work on the authorised biography of Lady Gregory for Oxford University Press. His publications include *Last Poems: Manuscript Materials* by W.B.Yeats, *Yeats: A Norton Critical Edition*, and, most recently *Lady Gregory: Shorter Writings 1882-1900*.



### Guest Lecturer **ANNE MARGARET DANIEL**

Anne Margaret Daniel teaches literature and humanities at the New School University in New York City. She has written on topics from Oscar Wilde's trials to F. Scott Fitzgerald, Bob Dylan, and contemporary music. Her edition of Fitzgerald's previously unpublished short stories *\*I'd Die for You and Other Lost Stories\** was published by Scribner in 2017; she is currently at work on an edition of Zelda Sayre Fitzgerald's letters. She is a former Associate Director of the Yeats International Summer School, and first attended the school as a student in 1992.



### Guest Lecturer **IGGY McGOVERN**

Iggy McGovern was born in 1948 in Coleraine; since 1979 he has resided in Dublin, where he lectured in Physics at Trinity College, retiring in 2013. He has three collections of poetry with Dedalus Press: *The King of Suburbia* (2005), *Safe House* (2010) and *The Eyes of Isaac Newton* (2017). Other collections include *A Mystic Dream of 4* (2013) and *Making Waves* (2019), both with Quaternia Press. Awards include The Hennessy Award for Poetry and The Glen Dimplex New Writers Award for Poetry.



# Programme 2025



## Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January

Check into the Sligo Park Hotel at your leisure.  
(You will need to make your own arrangements to dine before the first gathering)

**From 7pm**  
Registration

**8.30 pm**  
Welcome  
and  
Reading by Iggy McGovern

## Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> January

**9.30 am**  
Lecture by James Pethica  
*Yeats, Lady Gregory and the first Abbey  
Theatre USA tour, 1911-1912*

**11.15 am**  
Lecture by Iggy Mc Govern:  
*"Making Waves" Physicist Erwin  
Schroedinger, this is your life!*  
*So 'tis to be*

*Coach will drop participants into town  
to enjoy lunch at their leisure.*

**2.15pm** Savour 'WB Yeats and Sligo'  
with an open fire, tea and scones:  
at the Yeats Building courtesy of  
the Yeats Society

Visit the Model Gallery on the Mall for exhibition  
Jack Butler Yeats  
'Salt Water Ballads'

Or reconvene at Markievicz Road close to  
Yeats Building for a tour of Yeats Country  
leaving at 2.15pm

## Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> January

**10.30 am**  
Lecture by Anne Margaret Daniel  
*Once upon a time in America: The Yeatses'  
excellent adventure, 1934*

Followed by James Pethica  
*"I have come into my strength, / And words  
obey my call": How Yeats drafted poems*

**12.30pm**  
Departure

(or plan to stay a 3rd night at  
€69 B&B per person sharing)