

# THE AISLING SOCIETY OF SYDNEY

## AUDIOTAPES OF TALKS TO THE SOCIETY

1974 - 2005

| DATE        | SPEAKER               | TITLE  |
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| <b>1974</b> |                       |  |
| May         | Fr Neil Collins       | <i>Northern Ireland as I have seen it</i>                        |
| <b>1976</b> |                       |  |
| July        | Fr Michael O'Sullivan | <i>I followed O'Sullivan Beare</i>                               |
| <b>1978</b> |                       |  |
| September   | Anne Stevens          | <i>The life and times of Oliver Gogarty</i>                      |
| October     | Keith Suter           | <i>Coping with violence in Northern Ireland</i>                  |
| <b>1979</b> |                       |  |
| March       | Anne Stevens          | <i>25 years of the Aisling Society</i>                           |
| April       | Seamus Grimes         | <i>Friendship patterns among Irish immigrants to Australia</i>   |
| June        | Fr Patrick O'Rourke   | <i>The first fifty years of Irish theatre</i>                    |
| July        | Colm Kiernan          | <i>Archbishop Daniel Mannix</i>                                  |
| September   | Peter Herlinger       | <i>The W.A. Fenian rescue</i>                                    |
| October     | Peter Gray            | <i>Remember Emmet!</i>   |
| <b>1980</b> |                       |  |
| April       | Fr Patrick O'Rourke   | <i>John McCormack, the man &amp; his music</i>                   |
| June        | Clement Semmler       | <i>Irish humorists</i>   |
| July        | Fr Michael O'Sullivan | <i>St Patrick's Purgatory</i>                                    |
| August      | John Ryan             | <i>The Wild Geese</i>  |
| <b>1981</b> |                       |  |
| May         | Gerard Windsor        | <i>Grafting Ireland to Australia</i>                             |
| June        | Anne Stevens          | <i>A walk around the Dublin of some rebels, writers and wits</i> |
| August      | Philip Lee            | <i>Dublin: fishing village to modern city</i>                    |
| September   | Michael McClosky      | <i>Ireland's foreign policy</i>                                  |
| October     | Edith Johnston        | <i>The rule of law in 18th Century Ireland</i>                   |
| <b>1982</b> |                       |  |
| April       | Clare Dunne           | <i>The Irish in multi-cultural Australia</i>                     |

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| June        | James Symes              | <i>The story of Vinegar Hill</i>   |
| September   | Keith Suter              | <i>Northern Ireland in a world context</i>   |
| <b>1983</b> |                          |  |
| February    | Frank O'Donoghoe         | <i>Bilingualism in Ireland</i>   |
| May         | Hazel King               | <i>Richard Bourke - Irishman</i>   |
| June        | Clement Semmler          | <i>Irish literary influences</i>   |
| July        | Mark Finnane             | <i>In prison for Ireland</i>   |
| August      | Helen Fulton             | <i>Irish heroic literature</i>   |
| October     | Edmund Campion           | <i>The meaning of Dr Mannix</i>  |
| <b>1984</b> |                          |  |
| February    | Philip Lee               | <i>The Kilkenny Conference</i>   |
| May         | Siobhan ni Fhaolain      | <i>The New Ireland Forum</i>   |
| August      | Philip Lee               | <i>Dublin wits and literary characters</i>   |
| September   | Portia Robinson          | <i>From Colleen to Matilda</i>   |
| October     | Patrick O'Rourke         | <i>Kathleen, mother of all the Behans</i>  |
| <b>1985</b> |                          |  |
| March       | Vincent Buckley          | <i>Ireland - its music, missionaries and courage</i>   |
| May         | Clare Dunne              | <i>Irish poetry</i>  |
| June        | Tony Baine               | <i>Daniel O'Connell - the Great Dan</i>  |
| July        | Thomas Kenneally         | <i>The Catalpa escape</i>  |
| August      | Malcolm Campbell         | <i>St Patrick's Day in the 1890's</i>  |
| September   | Sister Rose McGinty      | <i>Irish religious women in Australia</i>  |
| October     | Anne O'Connor            | <i>Irish folk lore in Australia</i>  |
| November    | Clare Dunne              | <i>The music of Ireland</i>  |
| <b>1986</b> |                          |  |
| April       | Ambassador Joseph Small  | <i>The Anglo - Irish Agreement</i>   |
| May         | Richard Reid             | <i>'Nice girls from Tipperary': some aspects of Irish female immigration to NSW during the 19<sup>th</sup> century</i> |
| September   | Brian Donovan            | <i>Two pioneer brothers</i>  |
| October     | Philip Lee               | <i>The Celts &amp; their origin</i>  |
| <b>1987</b> |                          |  |
| March       | Portia Robinson          | <i>Women of Botany Bay</i>   |
| May         | Kingsley Aikins          | <i>Irish Sports</i>  |
| June        | Fr Michael O'Sullivan    | <i>The Waverley Monument</i>   |
| July        | Ambassador James Sharkey | Mid-year Luncheon address  |
| August      | Patrick Fahey            | <i>The Church of Ireland in the 19th century</i>   |
| September   | Damien Gleeson           | <i>Perceptions of Irish convicts in Australia</i>  |
| <b>1988</b> |                          |  |

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| April       | Mary O'Connell        | <i>The life of Lady Gregory</i>   |
| May         | Tony Cahill           | <i>Cardinal Moran (Part I)</i>  |
| June        | Aedeen Cremin         | <i>100 years of Irish archeology</i>  |
| July        | Manning Clark         | Mid-year Luncheon address   |
| August      | Phillip Butterss      | <i>'Convicted by the laws of England's hostile crown': popular poetry of the convict period</i> |
| September   | Tracy Newlands        | <i>The learned class in early Celtic Ireland</i>  |
| October     | Colm Kiernan          | <i>Charles Gavan Duffy</i>  |
| <b>1989</b> |                       |   |
| March       | Gerard Brennan        | <i>Common bonds in law between Ireland and Australia</i>  |
| April       | Keith Amos            | <i>The Sydney Fenian scare</i>  |
| May         | Tony Cahill           | <i>Cardinal Moran (Part II)</i>   |
| June        | William Scott         | <i>The Celtic race, Celtic art &amp; the Celtic Church</i>                                      |
| August      | John Sheridan         | <i>John Field, 1782-1837, the man and his music</i>   |
| September   | Fr Patrick O'Rourke   | <i>Archbishop T.W. Croke</i>  |
| <b>1990</b> |                       |   |
| May         | Margaret Ward         | <i>Maud Gonne - Ireland's St Joan</i>   |
| June        | Aedeen Cremin         | <i>The genesis of the Book of Kells</i>   |
| July        | Colin Wisdom          | <i>The Anglo-Irish Ascendancy</i>   |
| August      | Patrick O'Farrell     | <i>Vanished Kingdoms</i>  |
| September   | Kingsley Aikins       | <i>Europe 1992 - What does it mean for Australia?</i>   |
| October     | Philip Lee            | <i>Brian O'Nolan - Flann O'Brien - Myles na Gopaleen</i>  |
| <b>1991</b> |                       |   |
| March       | Gerard Windsor        | <i>Collecting Irish books</i>   |
| April       | Lynette Olson         | <i>The tradition of our predecessors</i>  |
| May         | Sean O'Riain          | <i>The Irish language</i>   |
| June        | Mary Dynan            | <i>Songs and stories from an Antrim childhood</i>   |
| September   | Fr Michael O'Sullivan | <i>Poems in the Irish language</i>  |
| November    | Vincent Pike          | <i>H. B Higgins</i>   |
| <b>1992</b> |                       |   |
| March       | John O'Meally         | <i>The Eureka stockade</i>  |
| May         | Fr Patrick Codd       | <i>The Early Irish Augustinians in Australia</i>  |
| June        | Alistair Taylor       | <i>The Tudor invasion of Ireland</i>  |
| August      | Portia Robinson       | <i>An Australian identity</i>   |
| September   | Kingsley Aikins       | <i>Poor performance from a talented people?</i>   |
| October     | Philip Lee            | <i>John Hubert Plunkett</i>   |
| <b>1993</b> |                       |   |

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| April       | Muredach Dynan       | <i>Consequences of the British welfare system in Northern Ireland</i>  |
| May         | Oliver MacDonagh     | <i>Charles Stuart Parnell</i>  |
| June        | Philip Lee           | <i>Peregrini Christi</i>   |
| July        | Brendan Walsh        | Mid-year Luncheon address  |
| September   | Clare Dunne          | <i>Irish harps: lost &amp; found</i>   |
| October     | Tony Baine           | <i>Mr Justice Niall McCarthy</i>   |
| <b>1994</b> |                      |  |
| March       | Patrick O'Farrell    | <i>The history of the celebration of St Patrick's Day in Australia</i>   |
| April       | Peter Moore          | <i>Free and independent: Leaves from Irish newspapers of the 1830's</i>  |
| May         | Philip Lee           | <i>Irish Ghost Stories</i>   |
| June        | John Molony          | <i>Thomas Davis</i>  |
| July        | Paul King            | <i>Why theatre in Australia needs an Irish voice</i>   |
| August      | Aedeen Cremin        | <i>The Celts of Spain and Portugal</i>   |
| September   | Rowena Finnane       | <i>Legal status in medieval Ireland</i>  |
| October     | Andrew Korda         | <i>Was Ireland a colonial society after 1603?</i>  |
| <b>1995</b> |                      |  |
| March       | Peter Gray           | <i>Forty Years of the Aisling Society</i>  |
| April       | Anne-Maree Whittaker | <i>Veterans of the Irish War of Independence in Australia</i>  |
| May         | Anne Cunningham      | <i>Henry Norbert Birt's sins of omission: a re-appraisal of his use of Polding's letters 1861-1869</i>                 |
| June        | Jan Currie-Henderson | <i>The origins and continuation of Irish dancing throughout the world</i>  |
| July        | Roddy Meagher        | <i>Irish literature and the Irish Church</i>   |
| August      | Anne Stevens         | <i>The Donovans of Sydney: Piety and Philanthropy 1833-1929</i>  |
| September   | Peter Kuch           | <i>'What will I do with this box of notes and photocopies?' Writing a literary history of Irish poetry 1900 – 1940</i> |
| October     | Oliver MacDonagh     | <i>Anthony Trollope and Ireland</i>  |
| November    | Various              | <i>Christmas in Ireland in days gone by</i>  |
| <b>1996</b> |                      |  |
| March       | Gerard Henderson     | <i>Daniel Mannix: An early multiculturalist</i>  |
| April       | Michael Flannery     | <i>An Australia social worker's experience with the travelling people of Ireland</i>                                   |
| May         | Fr Ted Kennedy       | <i>Some clerical stuff I know about Australia</i>  |

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| July        | Gerard Windsor             | <i>Recalling Father Healy of Little Bray</i>   |
| August      | Sr Moira O'Sullivan        | <i>Early Sisters of Charity in Australia</i>   |
| September   | Colm Kiernan               | <i>Peter Lalor and rebellion</i>   |
| October     | Gearoid O'Neill            | <i>The genesis of the Troubles in Northern Ireland</i>   |
| November    | Br Barney Garvan           | <i>'Give to the Poor in Handfuls': The life of Edmund Rice, founder of the Christian Brothers</i>  |
| <b>1997</b> |                            |  |
| March       | Ambassador Richard O'Brien | <i>Ireland and Europe in the 1990s</i>   |
| April       | Vincent Pike               | <i>An Enigma (Erskine Childers)</i>  |
| May         | Anne Henderson             | <i>Mary McKillop's Sisters</i>   |
| June        | Clare Dunne                | <i>Between the Worlds: Michael O'Suilleabhain</i>  |
| July        | David Malouf               | <i>Irishness in Australia</i>  |
| August      | Lisa Featherstone          | <i>The Great Famine</i>  |
| September   | Fr Tony Doherty            | <i>St Columbkille, Donegal and 19<sup>th</sup> Century Irish immigration</i>   |
| October     | Pat O'Shane                | <i>Irishness and Aboriginality in Australia</i>  |
| <b>1998</b> |                            |  |
| February    | David Vaughan              | <i>Golden Oldies</i>   |
| March       | Brian Kennedy              | <i>Arts and culture in Australia</i>   |
| April       | Jenny Somers               | <i>Jack B Yeats</i>  |
| May         | Muredach Dynan             | <i>From '68 to '98: a personal perspective on the Irish Peace Agreement</i>  |
| June        | Fr Michael O'Sullivan      | <i>The 1798 Rising as depicted in the Waverley Cemetery Memorial</i>   |
| September   | Billy Cantwell             | <i>The Irish Echo: Publishing an Irish newspaper in Australia</i>  |
| <b>1999</b> |                            |  |
| March       | Gerard Brennan             | <i>St Patrick's Day address</i>  |
| June        | Clare Dunne                | <i>Mother Ireland, Mother Earth</i>  |
| August      | Simon Adams                | <i>In search of an Irish Mandela: The Northern Ireland peace process and South Africa's democratic transition in comparative context</i> |
| October     | Trevor McLaughlin          | <i>'I expect I shall have to pay for it in this world or the next': Some Irish-born infanticides in late colonial Australia</i>          |
| November    | Julie Robson               | <i>Educating Oscar: Wilde and Trinity</i>  |
| <b>2000</b> |                            |  |
| March       | Susan Ryan                 | <i>Ireland and Australia in the later 20<sup>th</sup> century</i>  |

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| May         | Tom Brady                   | <i>Ireland in Europe, and Europe in Ireland</i>   |
| June        | Joan Kerr                   | <i>Irish artists in Australia</i>   |
| July        | Trevor Waters               | <i>Building St Mary's Cathedral</i>   |
| September   | Maeliosa Stafford           | <i>Theatre today – Ireland and Australia</i>  |
| <b>2001</b> |                             |   |
| March       | Patrick Dodson              | <i>Irish Australians and Aboriginal Australians</i>   |
| April       | Perry McIntyre              | <i>'Drank Too Deep the Cup of Affliction': reunion of convict families</i>                          |
| May         | Jack Munday                 | <i>The Irish influence on the trade union movement in New South Wales</i>                           |
| June        | David Mulcahy               | <i>The Torrens Title system: Ireland's gift to Australia and the world</i>                          |
| July        | Jeff Kildea                 | <i>1916 And All That: The Irish struggle for independence and Australian nationalism</i>            |
| August      | Terence Brown               | <i>'The fascination of what's difficult': writing Yeats' biography</i>                              |
| September   | Catriona St John            | <i>Early Celtic Christianity and spirituality</i>   |
| October     | Anne Cunningham             | <i>'The unfortunate man has lost his soul': the 1881 funeral debacle of Michael Fitzpatrick MLA</i> |
| <b>2002</b> |                             |   |
| March       | Michael Kirby               | <i>Ireland – a struggle for acceptance and equality</i>   |
| April       | Anne Henderson              | <i>Writing 'The Killing of Sister McCormack'</i>  |
| May         | Tom Brady                   | <i>Gross Ile: Canada's Irish island</i>   |
| June        | Mary Hickman                | <i>Differences, boundaries, identities: the Irish community in Britain</i>                          |
| July        | Christopher Koch            | <i>Reading from 'The Many-Coloured Land: a Return to Ireland'</i>                                   |
| August      | Siobhan McHugh              | <i>The adventures of an accidental migrant</i>  |
| October     | Clara Mason                 | <i>Samuel Beckett: an unbroken tradition</i>  |
| <b>2003</b> |                             |   |
| February    | Brendan Locke               | <i>Joseph Locke</i>   |
| March       | Norman Gillespie            | <i>St Patrick's Day Address</i>   |
| April       | Myles Mooney                | <i>The Irish at Gallipoli</i>   |
| June        | Fr Edmund Campion           | <i>Writing 'Lines of My Life'</i>   |
| August      | Peter Kuch                  | <i>'We make, out of the quarrel with ourselves, poetry'</i>   |
| <b>2004</b> |                             |   |
| March       | Consul-General Anne Webster | <i>St Patrick's Day Address</i>   |

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| April       | Michael Lyons         | <i>Early years at the Lodge</i>   |
| May         | Leila Kavanagh        | <i>Archbishop Michael Aiden Courtney</i>  |
| June        | Jeff Kildea           | <i>Australian war graves and war memorials in Ireland</i>                               |
| July        | Bishop David Cremin   | Mid-year Luncheon Address   |
| September   | Damian Gleeson        | <i>Some aspects of the Sydney Irish after the famine</i>                                |
| October     | Fr Michael O'Sullivan | <i>The return of O'Sullivan Beare: a 400 year celebration of Donal's famous retreat</i> |
| <b>2005</b> |                       |   |
| March       | Gerard Windsor        | <i>Farewell to Old Ireland</i>  |
| April       | Brendan Whiting       | <i>Victims of Tyranny: the story of the Fitzgerald convict brothers</i>                 |
| May         | Maurice Whelan        | <i>William Hazlitt: a man for our times</i>   |
| June        | Ken Healey            | <i>The London Irish: the Linleys, the Sheridans and the Mozarts</i>                     |
| July        | Helen Townsend        | <i>The starry frame</i>   |
| August      | Julia Miller          | <i>The colours of Irish history</i>   |
| September   | Portia Robinson       | <i>Crime and Punishment: Ireland's criminal women in early NSW</i>                      |
| October     | Clare Pollard         | <i>Chester Beatty and his Library</i>   |