



Strokestown Park

House, Gardens &
National Famine Museum

IRISH
FAMINE
SUMMER
SCHOOL

AT STROKESTOWN PARK
& IRISH NATIONAL
FAMINE MUSEUM

Irish Journeys: Famine Legacies and Reconnecting Communities

The 2018 Irish Famine Summer School and International Conference

The 2018 Irish Famine Summer School will take place at Strokestown Park from 20th-24th June. The theme is *Irish Journeys: Famine Legacies and Reconnecting Communities*.

Strokestown Park and the National Famine Museum provide a hub for visitors and scholars to experience a uniquely preserved historic house and explore the lives of rich and poor in their original setting.

The 2018 Irish Famine Summer School will consider the Great Irish Famine and its legacies of dispersing communities between Ireland, Great Britain, North America, and Australia. Particular emphasis will be placed on the theme of Irish journeys at home and abroad, including the experiences of Irish emigrants and their descendants in building communities and becoming integrated into their host societies. The topics of homecoming, revisiting Ireland, and reconnecting communities between Irish and diasporic locations will also be central themes.

The annual Famine conference is an international, interdisciplinary event that brings together local, national and international Famine experts. We ask for papers that approach the subject 'Irish Journeys' from the broadest possible artistic, cultural, historical, and socio-economic perspectives. We welcome proposals for 20 minute papers and envisage dedicated panels on (but not limited to) the following themes:

- Irish Journeys at home and abroad
- The Irish Famine Migration to North America, Great Britain, and Australia
- Migration, Integration, and community building in Ireland and the diaspora
- Artistic, cultural, historic, and socioeconomic legacies of eviction and migration
- Reconnecting Irish communities between Ireland and diasporic locations
- Homecoming: revisiting Ireland

Keynote Speakers:

Professor Christine Kinealy (Quinnipiac University)

Professor Mike Cronin (Boston College)

Professor Maureen Murphy (Hofstra University)

Professor Mark McGowan (University of Toronto)

Professor Ian Kuijt (University of Notre Dame)

Professor Maureen Murphy (Hofstra University)

Enquiries and proposals of no more than 250 words, accompanied by a brief biographical note on the author, should be sent to Dr Jason King: faminestudies@Irishheritagetrust.ie and/or Professor Christine Kinealy (Christine.Kinealy@quinnipiac.edu) by 1 February 2018.