

'Crime and Punishment in 19th & 20th Century Ireland, 200 years of Sligo Gaol 1818-2018'

Conference Programme

FRIDAY 7th 2018

Children's Workshop

11am The Hawks Well Theatre Sligo

A reading of 'My Tale Untold' a book by Friends of Sligo Gaol and illustrator Wayne O'Connor. Read by author-illustrator Wayne O'Connor

Suitable for age 10+

Free event

Book and Conference Launch

8pm Clayton Hotel Sligo - Cannis Major Church

Official launch of 'My Tale Untold' a book by Friends of Sligo Gaol and illustrator Wayne O'Connor.

Book launched by P.J. Lynch, celebrated children's book author-illustrator and Laureate na nÓg 2016.

Conference launch by An Cathaoirleach Cllr. Martin Baker, Sligo County Council.

Refreshments served

For bookings see www.sligogaol.ie

SATURDAY 8th September

Conference Event -

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The Clayton Hotel Sligo

9-10am Registration

10am – 5pm Lectures

Morning Session

- Dr Richard McMahon (Trinity College Dublin) – 'A Brief History of Crime in Ireland'
- Dr Ciara Breathnach (University of Limerick) – 'The Convict Body, 1877-1928'
- Tim Carey – 'The Story of Mountjoy Prison'
- Dr Geraldine Curtin (National University of Ireland Galway) – 'Child Prisoners in Sligo Gaol, 1850-1900'

Afternoon Session

- Dr Barra O'Donnabhain (University College Cork) – 'Too Beautiful for Thieves and Pickpockets: the Spike Island Archaeological Project'
- Dr Laura McAtackney (Aarhus University, Denmark) – 'Locating Experience in Historic Irish Jails: the Kilmainham Gaol Graffiti Project'
- Keynote Speaker: Dr Gillian O'Brien (Liverpool John Moores University) – 'Doing Time: Dark Tourism in Ireland'

SATURDAY cont'd

Panel Discussion on Future of Sligo Gaol

Dr Gillian O'Brien, Niall Bergin (Manager of Kilmainham Gaol), Patrick McHugh (Events Manager, Lifford Old Courthouse) Siobhán Ryan (Sligo Heritage Officer), Ciarán Hayes (CEO Sligo County Council) & Eva Costello (Wild Atlantic Way Team Manager at Fáilte Ireland) discuss prison tourism and the future of Sligo Gaol.

8pm Conference Dinner

3 course meal (€24) at The Clayton Hotel Sligo

SUNDAY 9th September

Remembering Michael Collins' Imprisonment in Sligo Gaol 1918

12pm Sligo Gaol

Lecture by Phelim Brady – 'Michael Collins's Jail Journal, 2 - 21 April 1918'

Mary Clare O'Malley, Grandniece of Michael Collins, official unveiling of a portrait of Michael Collins by artist Emma Stroude.

Refreshments served

1.30pm-5.30pm Tours of Historic Sligo Gaol

Experience Sligo Gaol with these bespoke guided tours with actors, including readings from Michael Collins Prison Journal.

Note: 1 hour long tours for conference delegates. Tour times allocated at conference registration Saturday 9-10am.