

Location

The West Cork History Festival takes place in the grounds of Rosebank, next to the Liss Ard estate, one mile outside Skibbereen on the Castletownshend Road.

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Food & Drink

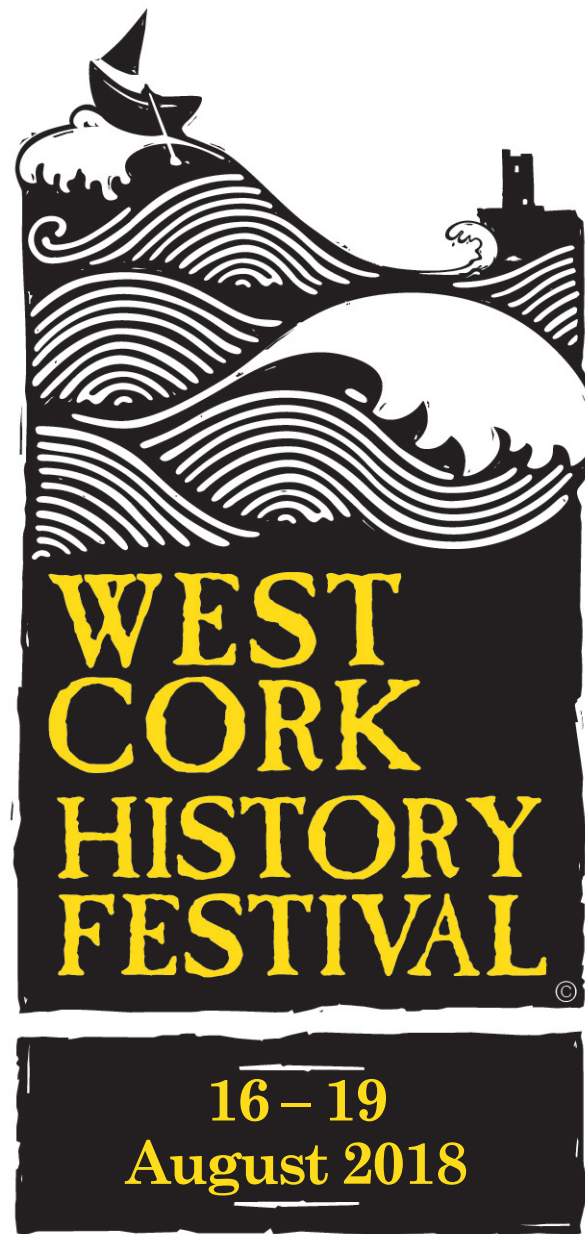
Food and drink will be available to buy on site throughout the three days of the Festival.

Parking

Please note that due to space restrictions at the Festival venue itself, ALL parking for the Festival (other than for the disabled) will be at the Liss Ard Estate Hotel nearby. Signage on the road will direct you to Liss Ard.

For further information please see our website.

Festival Map



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Tickets available via our website
www.westcorkhistoryfestival.org

West Cork History Festival programme – 16 – 19 August 2018

Each talk will last approximately 30–40 minutes with time after for questions and discussion; the film screenings are longer. There are two Festival venues, the Arena and the Secret Garden.

Festival Field Trips

For the first time, we are arranging walks and field trips to historically and archaeologically important locations in and around Skibbereen.

**Thursday 16 August 2018, 10:00 – 16:30:
Field Trip 1 – History and Archaeology of West Cork**

SOLD OUT

**Thursday 16 August 2018, 19:00 – 20:30:
Walking Tour of Historic Skibbereen**

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**Friday 17 August 2018, 09:00 – 15:45:
Field Trip 2 – Famine/History/Art**

This full day, fully guided tour provides an unique opportunity to experience a major art exhibition, special access to a stunning and thought-provoking sculpture garden, and a visit to one of the most moving Famine sites in West Cork.

**Friday 17 August 2018, 10:45 – 17:00:
Field Trip 3 – Famine/History/Art**

Please note that Field Trips 2 and 3 visit the same locations but have different timings.

Festival Talks and Events

**Friday evening (The Arena):
17 August 2018, 17:30 – 22:15**

17:30 – 19:00 – Keynote address by Professor Alvin Jackson on Edward Carson & John Redmond.

19:30 – 22:15 – Screening of *Oh! What A Lovely War* (1969), a musical satire about the First World War, followed by discussion with theatre director Michael Attenborough, son of the film's director Richard Attenborough.

**Saturday morning (The Arena):
18 August 2018, 10:00 – 12:00**

10:00 – 10:50 – Professor John Horne on 'The War to End All Wars? International Perspectives 1918–1923'.

11:00 – 11:50 – Panel discussion on 1918 with John Horne, Professor Louise Ryan and others.

**Saturday morning (The Secret Garden):
18 August 2018, 10:00 – 12:15**

10:00 – 10:50 – Terri Kearney of Skibbereen Heritage Centre on the 'Stories of the Revolution', schools' project about the 1916–23 period.

11:00 – 12:15 – Reverend Cliff Jeffers will screen a documentary on Dunmanway's community bells, produced by Brendan Hayes and historian Kieran Connolly will speak on one of the town's most famous sons, Sam Maguire.

12:00 – 13:00 – Lunch

Festival contributor William Casey's book on Early Fenians in Skibbereen will be launched at lunchtime in the Arena. All are welcome and no ticket is required.

**Saturday afternoon (The Arena):
18 August 2018, 13:00 – 17:00**

13:00 – 13:50 – Professor Eunan O'Halpin on 'A catalogue of errors? British government and Ireland in 1918'.

14:00 – 14:50 – Professor Louise Ryan on 'Shining a light on secret aspects of Irish society – the Suffrage Movement and the Irish Citizen Newspaper'.

15:00 – 15:50 – Dr Ida Milne on 'Stacking the coffins: the 1918–19 influenza pandemic and Irish society'.

16:00 – 16:50 – Lar Joye on Weapons of the War of Independence.

**Saturday afternoon (The Secret Garden):
18 August 2018, 13:00–17:00**

13:00 – 13:50 – Professor Colum Hourihane on Gothic Art in Ireland.

14:00 – 14:50 – Dr David Edwards on Gaelic politics in the later Middle Ages.

15:00 – 15:50 – Dr Susan Flavin on 'Food, Drink & Society in 16th century Ireland'.

16:00 – 16:50 – Mary McGillicuddy on women in the fishing industry in SW Ireland in the late 18th and early 19th centuries.

Saturday evening Dinner

Between the end of the talks and the evening's concert, there will be the opportunity to enjoy some of West Cork's excellent food and drink.

The Festival Dinner will be cooked by award-winning restaurateur and Irish Times columnist Carmel Somers. It will consist of three courses with wine and will be served from 18:30–20:30. Tickets must be bought in advance.

There will also be more informal food and drinks available to buy, for which no ticket is needed.

**Saturday evening (The Secret Garden):
18 August 2018, 21:00 – 22:30**

Concert by Jessie Kennedy and Lady Patsy Putnam: *Lady Mary Carbery's West Cork Diaries, 1898–1901 – A Musical Narrative.*

**Sunday morning (The Arena):
19 August 2018, 10:00 – 13:00**

10:00 – 10:50 – Peter Murray on Victorian painter, geologist and antiquary George Victor Du Noyer.

11:00 – 11:50 – Dr Niamh O'Sullivan on the exhibition *Coming Home: Art and the Great Hunger*, of which she is curator. The exhibition is currently on at Skibbereen's West Cork Arts Centre, Uillinn.

12:00 – 12:50 – Niamh MacNally of the National Gallery of Ireland on artist Margaret Clarke.

**Sunday morning (The Secret Garden):
19 August 2018, 10:00 – 13:00**

10:00 – 10:50 – Dr Connie Kelleher on 'The 1627 wreck of the Spanish treasure galleon *Santa Ana Maria* and the fall of an empire'.

11:00 – 11:50 – Finola Finlay on 'From Skibbereen to the Moon: Agnes Clerke and Nineteenth Century Astronomy.'

12:00 – 12:50 – William Casey on cillíní in West Cork.

13:00 – 13:30 / 13:00 – 14:00 – Lunch

The Skibbereen & District Historical Society's 2018 Journal will be launched at 13:00 in The Arena – all are welcome and no ticket is required for this event.

Please note that the afternoon's events in the Secret Garden will commence at 13:30 while those in the Arena will begin at 14:00.

**Sunday afternoon (The Arena):
19 August 2018, 14:00–18:00**

14:00 – 14:50 – Dr Brian Hughes on 'Gossip, rumour and propaganda: depictions and perceptions of Irish revolutionary violence'.

15:00 – 15:50 – Dr Andy Bielenberg on 'Disappearances in Co Cork 1920–22 and the case of Mrs Lindsay'.

16:00 – 16:50 – Cal Hyland on 'Considering the Situation of Protestants in West Cork, 1920–1925'.

17:00 – 17:50 – Professor Linda Connolly on 'Addressing the violence suffered by women during the Irish Revolution'.

**Sunday afternoon (The Secret Garden):
19 August 2018, 13:30–18:00**

13:30 – 15:00 – Ronan McGreevy will screen the Irish Times' film 'United Ireland: How Nationalists and Unionists fought together in Flanders' and will take part in a discussion afterwards.

15:00 – 15:50 – Guy Warner on 'Three First World War Airmen with strong Cork connections'.

16:00 – 16:50 – Katie Childs, Head of Partnerships at Imperial War Museums, on the IWM & the First World War centenary, particularly women's wartime roles.

17:00 – 17:50 – Michael Robinson on 'Disabled Great War Veterans during the Revolution'.

**Sunday evening (The Arena):
19 August 2018, 18:15–20:00**

Screening of *Citizen Lane* (2018), an innovative mix of documentary and drama which provides a vivid portrait of Irish aesthete, collector, dealer and philanthropist Hugh Lane.