

THE IRISH 1013



The Irish Itinerary, an initiative of the European Federation of Associations and Centres of Irish Studies (EFACIS), is an Irish cultural tour of Europe and is coming to DUCIS (Dalarna University Centre for Irish Studies) in Falun. The Itinerary is a series of coordinated events hosted by many vibrant centres of Irish Studies across 12 European countries. Each centre will host a variety of events celebrating Irish culture, art and literature throughout Europe. The programme includes an impressive array of Irish writers, artists and performers as well as a selection of Irish films. Modelled on the ancient practice of travelling from city to city on the continent used by the Irish monks of old, the Irish Itinerary embraces the idea and takes it forward into the 21st Century.

All are welcome.

AUTHOR ANNE ENRIGHT

A Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature, her novel *The Gathering* won the 2007 Man Booker Prize. She has also won the 1991 Rooney Prize for Irish Literature, the 2001 Encore Award and the 2008 Irish Novel of the Year.

Mon 25/2

Time: 19.00; Venue: Falu Stadsbibliotek, Östra Hamngatan 24; Event: "Come and meet the Booker Prize Winner - Anne Enright, Ireland" - Public reading and Q+A

Tues 26/2

Time: 11.00-13.00: Venue: University Dalarna, Lecture Hall 1 (with streaming); Event: Higher Seminar, Public Lecture followed by a reading; Title of talk: "Banned Books are More Fun: Becoming a Writer in Catholic Ireland"

ARTIST RITA DUFFY

Born in Belfast in 1959, Rita Duffy is one of Northern Ireland's foremost artists. Her work deals with a variety of themes from the domestic and personal to the political. In much of her early work Duffy transmutes the raw material of her experiences growing up as a Catholic woman in the spiteful patriarchy of 1970s Ulster, to advance a feminist, liberal agenda.

Fri 1/3

Time: 11.00-13.00: Venue: University Dalarna, Lecture Hall 3 (with streaming); Event: Lecture: "Remember Who You Are, presentation by Rita Duffy"

IRISH FILMS ONCE AND THE SECRET OF KELLS

Once is a modern day musical set on the streets of Dublin. Featuring Glen Hansard and his Irish band "The Frames," the film tells the story of a street musician and a Czech immigrant during an eventful week as they write, rehearse and record songs that reveal their unique love story.

In *The Secret of Kells* magic, fantasy and Celtic mythology come together in a sweeping story about the power of imagination and faith to carry through dark times.

Thurs 7/3

Time: 13.00-17.00: Venue: Biografen, Media House, Dalarna University, Event: Film Viewing: *Once*; and *The Secret of Kells* - with presentation by Dr John Lynch and Professor Irene Gilsenan Nordin

DARINA AND SINEAD SING SONGS OF JOYCE

Songs of Joyce offers a unique theatrical experience to audiences that brings to life and makes accessible the literature of James Joyce through popular song, comic music hall, folk song, bawdy street ballads and sea shanties. Songs of Joyce has proved to be equally enjoyable to Joycean scholars as to those unfamiliar with his work and appeals to audiences of all ages.

Fri 8/3

Time: 18.00: Venue: Falu Stadsbibliotek, Östra Hamngatan 24; Event: Theatrical Presentation: "Songs of Joyce" – with presentation by Professor Irene Gilsenan Nordin