



Centre for Public History

'Moving Statues – Shifted Meanings: Contested Memorials in Ireland and the United States'

Draft Programme

Venue: Irish Studies Seminar Room, 27 University Square (QUB) 01.003 – TBC

Friday 8 June

12.30 Welcome and Introduction (PG)

12.45-14.30 Panel 1 Remembering and Forgetting in Ireland

Ciaran Wallace (TCD), 'Lest we remember? Removing, recycling and ignoring Boer War memorials in Dublin'

Jack Quin (TCD), "To leave some monument behind": WB Yeats, the politics and poetics of Dublin public monuments 1919-28'

Caitlin White (TCD), 'The controversy over the Sean Russell statue, Fairview Park, Dublin'

14.30-16.15 Confederates and American Public Space

Mark Doyle (Middle Tennessee State University), 'A Klansman on Campus: the debate over Nathan Bedford Forrest Hall, Middle Tennessee State University'

Adam H. Domby (College of Charleston) 'A monument to terrorism or a memorial to fallen heroes? What the American South can teach Ireland about commemorating divisive pasts'

Shannon M. Smith (St John's University), "Brave and loyal, hopeful and courageous': Gender, race and public space in American Civil war commemoration'

16.15-16.30 Coffee Break

16.30-18.15 Panel 2 Controversies in Ireland and America

Heather Stanfiel (Notre Dame), "An extreme indiscretion": Foley's Stonewall Jackson and the British Press, 1863-1875'

Damian Shiels (Northumbria), 'Place versus Memory: Monuments, Memorialisation, and Forgetting Ireland's Sites of Independence'

Jonathan Beecher Field (Clemson), 'Memorial culture in Boston and migrant communities'

Saturday 9 June

9.15-11.00 Panel 3 Contemporary Issues in Northern Ireland

Kevin Hearty (QUB), 'The memoryscape of the metaconflict: Irish republicanism, memory politics and policing'

Dominic Bryan (QUB), 'The "Culture War": memorials and statues in contemporary Belfast'

Matthew Jackson (QUB), 'The Maze and its multiple meanings'

11.00-11.30 Coffee Break

11.30-12.30 Keynote

Manisha Sinha (University of Connecticut), 'Symbols of Hate?: Confederate Monuments and Civil War Memory in American History'

12.30 Close

This is a free event, but you need to pre-register online by 6 June via

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