

PRESS RELEASE

**THE SEAMUS HEANEY CENTRE FOR POETRY
PRIZE FOR FIRST FULL COLLECTION 2016
Supported by Glucksman Ireland House, New York University**

The Seamus Heaney Centre for Poetry at Queen's University, Belfast, is delighted to announce the shortlist for the seventh Seamus Heaney Centre Prize for Poetry. The Prize is awarded annually to the writer of the best first collection published in the UK or Ireland in the preceding year.

The shortlist for this year's Prize is:

Jim Carruth, *Killochries*, (Freight Books)

John Dennison, *Otherwise*, (Carcanet)

Sarah Howe, *Loop of Jade*, (Chatto & Windus)

Kate Miller, *The Observances*, (Carcanet)

Rebecca Perry, *Beauty/Beauty*, (Bloodaxe Books)

The winner will be announced during the Seamus Heaney Centre Poetry Summer School, 27 June – 1 July 2016. The Seamus Heaney Prize for Poetry for 2016 will be £5,000. In addition the winner will be invited to read at Glucksman Ireland House at New York University for the annual Tom Quinlan Lecture in Poetry, provided with travel, accommodation, and an honorarium. (<http://irelandhouse.fas.nyu.edu/page/home>).

About Glucksman Ireland House

Located in the heart of Greenwich Village, Glucksman Ireland House is New York University's Center for Irish and Irish-American Studies and one of the top-ranked academic Irish Studies programs in the United States. Through innovative undergraduate and graduate academic curricula and extensive public programming, it provides access to the best in Irish and Irish-American culture. With faculty in Irish and Irish-American literature, history, music, language, and cultural studies, Glucksman Ireland House NYU provides its students and the community with an integrated approach to understanding the arts and humanities that represent Ireland and Irish-America's past, present, and future.

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