

Memory & Oral History Conference Programme 1st & 2nd July 2022

The annual conference of the Oral History Network of Ireland in association with Maynooth University Social Sciences Institute

DAY ONE: Friday 1st July

****Unless otherwise stated all rooms are in the Iontas Building, North Campus****

10.00 – 10.45	<i>Registration</i>
10.45 – 12.30	Workshop Session 1
<p>Workshop A: Interviewing Basics with Maura Cronin Workshop B: Doing Oral History as a Graduate Student with Daniel Carey & Matthew O’Brien</p>	
12.30 – 13.45	<i>Lunch [at leisure]</i>
13.45 – 15.15	Panel Session: 1A & 1B
<p>Panel Session 1A: Community Memories</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Púca of Ennistymon: oral history and social memory in a North Clare town. Sarah O’Brien & Christopher Fitzgerald (Mary Immaculate College, Limerick) • Establishing strong community partnerships: the Columbia College Chicago Oral History Model. Erin McCarthy (Columbia College Chicago) • Raising the curtain on Co. Kerry’s amateur dramatic heritage: an oral history project. Fiona Brennan (Independent Researcher) 	
<p>Panel Session 1B: Migration memories and histories</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Of Mice and Elephants”: subjectivity, myth, and performative Irishness in reminiscences of post-war London-Irish builders. Michael Mulvey (Maynooth University) • Migration, transnational memories and the Troubles. Fearghus Roulston (University of Brighton) 	
15.15 – 15.35	<i>Tea / Coffee Break</i>
15.35 – 17.05	Panel Session 2A & 2B

	<p>Panel 2A: Memories of the Magdalene Laundries</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recentring women’s voices: the Magdalene Oral History Project and twentieth century Irish history. Conor Murphy (Trinity College Dublin) • The women of the Magdalene Laundries seen through a new theoretical lens. Sarah Golding (Birkbeck, University of London) • Remembering Nora: Interpreting the oral testimony of a Magdalene Laundry survivor through the lens of collective memory. Sarah O’Brien (Mary Immaculate College, Limerick)
	<p>Panel 2B: Analysing Memories</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facilitating the investigation of memory in oral history archives with linguistics tools. Chris Fitzgerald (Mary Immaculate College, Limerick) • Oral History, memorialisation and dealing with the past in Northern Ireland. Anna Bryson (Queen’s University Belfast) • ‘That I look back on with some bitterness’: what tools help us to understand and interpret emotion in oral history interviews? Elizabeth Kiely (University College Cork) • “A Curse of a Disease”: remembering the history of diabetes treatment and care through patient memory in Northern Ireland. Lauren Young (Queen’s University Belfast)
17.05 - 17.50	<i>Opening Reception</i>
17.50 – 19.00	<p>Keynote Address: Prof Guy Beiner (Boston College) <i>The Vernacular Sounds and Silences of Irish Memory</i></p>
19.30	Conference Dinner: Stone Haven Restaurant, Maynooth





DAY TWO: Saturday 2nd July

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09.00 – 09.30	Registration
09.30 – 11.15	Workshop Session 2
Workshop C: Beyond memory: Prememory, Pre-forgetting and Postmemory with Guy Beiner	
11.15 – 11.35	<i>Tea / Coffee Break</i>
11.35 – 12.35	Panel Session 3: Moments
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heritage Ionad Na Fuisseoige. Samuel Guthrie (Ionad Na Fuisseoige) • Exploring memory, gender and generation in the context of women’s emigration from Ireland from 1995 onwards. Gráinne Mulcahy (University College Cork) • ‘The Wish to Forget It’ recording silence in the social memory of the Irish Revolutionary Period. Tomás Mac Conmara (Independent Researcher) • ‘Hurling and Us’, memories in podcasting. Regina Fitzpatrick (Independent Researcher) 	
12.35 – 14.00	<i>Lunch (at leisure) & OHNI AGM (starting 12.45pm)</i>
14.00 – 15.30	Panel Session 4A & 4B
<p>Panel 4A: Women’s lives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ‘We just got on with it’: An oral history of mothers in Belfast during ‘the Troubles’. Yumi Omori (Queen’s University Belfast) • Researching (with) my mother: exploring the lives of former Irish nuns. Karen Hanrahan (University of Brighton) • In her words: The lived experience of Irish women as missionaries and volunteers. Ellen Regan (University College Dublin) 	

Panel 4B: Performed Memories

- Inconvenient memories: songs from the period of conflict 1919-1923.
Thérèse McIntyre (Independent Researcher)
- Staging a river: performing memories and experiences of the River Shannon.
Helena Enright (Independent Researcher)
- Climate Change: An Oral History of Sustainable Food Sources.
Clair Butler (University College Cork)

15.30 – 15.50	Tea / Coffee Break
15.50 – 17.00	Panel Session 5: Disseminating Memories
17.00	Closing Address

