

Derry Playhouse Writers News

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Thank Goodness the Holidays Have Ended!

Poets on Tour

Aisling Doherty and Ellen Factor and other members of the Belfast (sic) Poets are going to be on tour around Ireland during January. The venues are:

- 16 Jan Tigh Fili Art, Gallery
- 17 Jan Whitehouse Tavern, Limerick
- 18 Jan North Beach Poetry Night, Galway
- 19 Jan Irish Film Institute, Dublin
- 22 Jan Mason's (upstairs), Derry
- 25 Jan Black Box, Belfast

All performances start at 8pm and admission varies from no charge to £5 / 5 Euro. Tell people you know in these cities to attend and take their friends.



Members Elsewhere

Alicia Reynolds and her husband Brian Sammons are moving to Chile for a year to work at a school there. They hope to relocate back to Derry after the year.



Three Creative Writing Workshops in Letterkenny

Introduction to Creative Writing Workshops for new and developing writers will run for ten weeks at the Mount Errigal Hotel Letterkenny, commencing Monday 29 January 2007, 7.30pm to 9.30pm.

Advanced Creative Writing Workshops for experienced writers will run for ten weeks at the same venue and time commencing Wednesday 31 January 2007.

The writers will have the option to attend additional intensive full-day workshops to complete a writing project for publication.

The workshops are designed to enable the writers to write creatively and to develop their voice as writers. The writers will experiment writing novels, memoirs, short stories, and poetry. They will discuss the work of a variety of writers and explore opportunities towards publication of their work. The writers will receive ongoing support from a collective of published writers and artistic directors.

The lead workshop facilitator will be the novelist, Patrick Kearney.

Additional Creative Writing Work-shops including Script Writing for anyone with an idea for a play or film will run throughout the year. For further details or to reserve your place on any of the Creative Writing Workshops, please contact Artists in Creative Enterprise: + 353 (0)74 9158836; (0)8615 99068; info@artistsincreativeenterprise.com

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Margie's on Holiday – 24 Jan to 4 April

I am making my annual visit to family and friends in California for two months. And, because this coincides with an ***Arts In The One World: Culture and Identity*** three-day conference at CalArts near Los Angeles that begins 25 January, I will attend this with Pauline Ross who is a speaker at the workshop on 'Senses of Tribe – U.S., Northern Ireland, and Uganda.

Two workshops I plan on attending are one dealing with pulling divisive vocabulary from a language, discovering new metaphors, and the other is '*Good Speech/Bad Speech: Speech as Skin, as Class*' (how accent, diction, etc. are politicized). I'll take notes & relay info gathered when I return.

DPW will continue to meet on Wednesday's as usual and I ask all of you to take turns facilitating our weekly meetings during my absence.

While I'm away I am going to have my son Don give me a crash course in Website Management so, hopefully, I can begin to better maintain the site without having to burden him.



Our Website

A number of resources of help to writers are listed on our website so check these out. We also have a link to Amazon on the site. Any books ordered through this connection results in our receiving between 5-15 percent of the price of the book. It costs you no more but helps us so please, if you order books online, do so through the link on www.derryplayhousewriters.org. Tell your friends as well. We receive a tri-monthly statement of what was ordered (but not the name of who ordered it) with an accounting of what percentage we received and once it reaches £25 it is deposited directly to our Bank of Ireland current account.



Management Committee

Our current Management Committee consists of the following:

Chair: Aisling Doherty

Vice Chair: Eugene McGinty

Secretary: Terese Morgan

Treasurer: Margie Bernard

General Members: Ellen Factor;

Tom Finnigan; Madeline McCully;

Mary Lorraine McHugh; Martin O'Brien,
Dell Prince.

