

IRELAND'S GREAT HUNGER MUSEUM

NEWS FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Summer 2016

For those of you who attended our final spring program last week, we hope you were engaged and enjoyed learning about the Famine in Irish literature and film at the Great Hunger's Centenary.

Summer Improvements

Beginning on July 1, 2016 the museum will temporarily close in order to make necessary building improvements. We anticipate the work will take three months to complete and plan to reopen on Wednesday, October 5, 2016. We will have new acquisitions on view at that time.

While the museum is closed we will be hard at work preparing the fall programming schedule. We have already scheduled a lecture on the Quakers during the Famine as well as a storytelling and music event.

More information on these events and others will follow.

Works on Loan

While the museum is closed, we encourage you to visit the Knights of Columbus Museum in New Haven. The museum has lent five works in our collection to the Knights of Columbus Museum for their exhibition entitled "Fleeing Famine." More information can be found on their website: <http://www.kofcmuseum.org/>.

Famine Folios: Series 3

We are excited to announce that five new Famine Folios will be published in October 2016. The titles are:

Angela Bourke, *Voices Underfoot: Memory, Forgetting, and Oral Verbal Art*
Tadhg Foley, *Death by Discourse? Political Economy and the Great Irish Famine*
Paschal Mahoney, *Grim Bastilles of Despair: The Poor Law Union Workhouses in Ireland*
Mick Moloney, *Across the Western Ocean: Songs of Leaving and Arriving* (including CD)
Vincent Woods, *Leaves of Hungry Grass: Poetry and Ireland's Great Hunger*

Thank you again for your interest and ongoing support of the museum. For upcoming events at the museum please visit www.ighm.org or www.facebook.com/irelandsgreathungermuseum. For those who are interested in supporting the museum, please visit the museum's website to complete our [online giving form](#). Or mail a check made payable to "Ireland's Great Hunger Museum" to Ireland's Great Hunger Museum, 275 Mount Carmel Avenue, Hamden, CT 06518-1908.

I hope you have a restful and enjoyable summer.

Grace Brady

Executive Director

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