

IRELAND'S GREAT HUNGER MUSEUM

NEWS FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Winter 2016

New Exhibition

Through April 17, 2016, the museum presents *In the Lion's Den: Daniel Macdonald, Ireland and Empire*. This exhibition, the first of its kind in the United States and the most comprehensive ever mounted, reevaluates Daniel Macdonald as an artist. Macdonald holds the distinction of having painted the only known painting of the Famine, *An Irish Peasant Family Discovering the Blight of their Store*, exhibited in London in 1847, now in the National Folklore Collection, University College Dublin (bequeathed by the pioneering Famine historian Cecil Woodham-Smith, author of *The Great Hunger: Ireland 1845-49*).



Many remarkable works by Macdonald, which are on loan from museums and private collectors in Ireland and England, are now on view at Ireland's Great Hunger Museum. **Don't miss this important and visually stunning exhibition!** The New York Times has already previewed the exhibition and we are hoping to see a written review soon. Several other newspapers and social media outlets have written about the exhibition and the response by critics and visitors alike has been resoundingly positive.

A visually striking book on Macdonald's life and work, written by Niamh O'Sullivan, curator, was published to coincide with the exhibition. It is available for purchase at the museum or by visiting www.ighm.org.



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 look forward to seeing you at the museum.

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