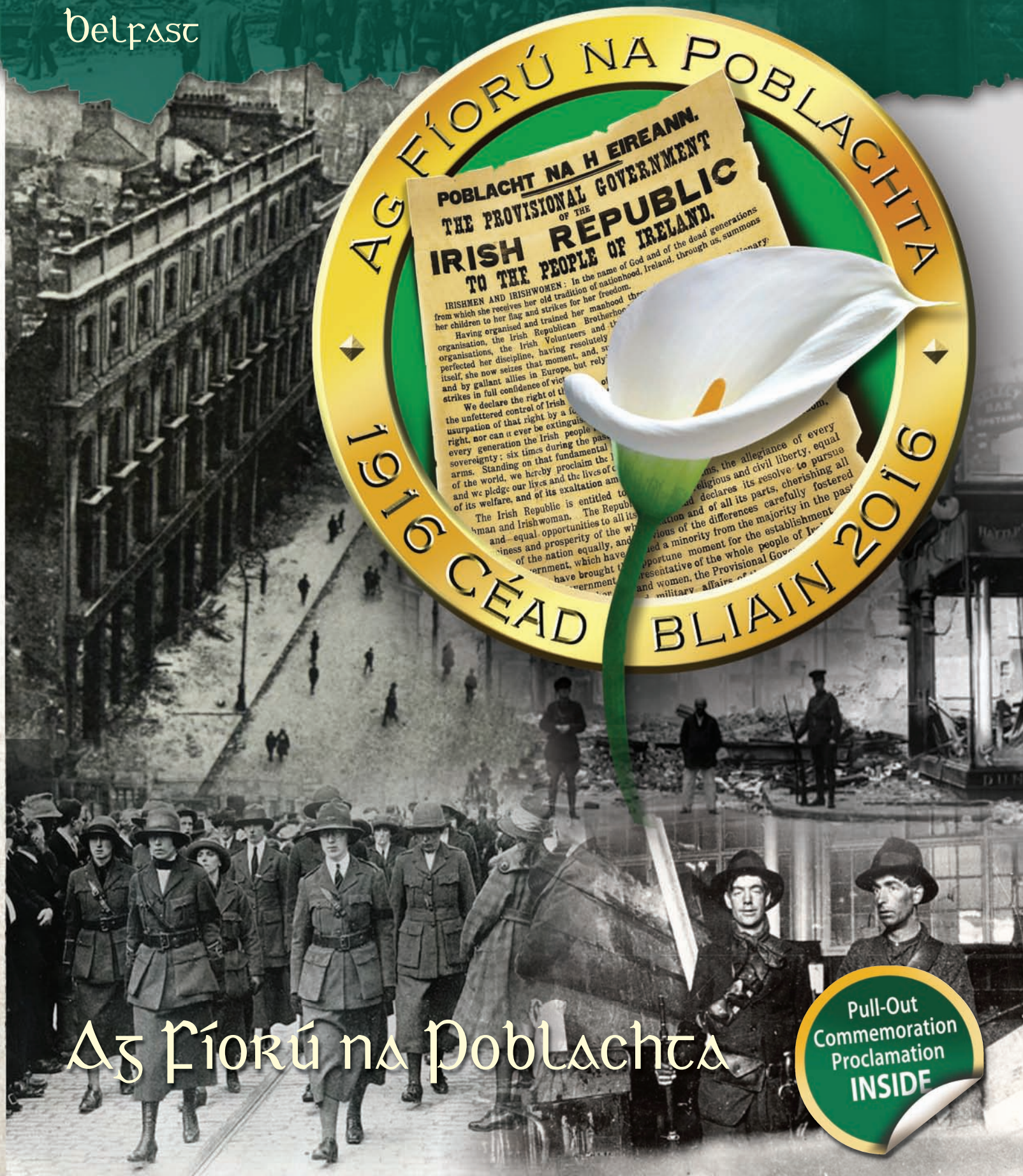


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Ócáid iontach suntasach a bheas i gcomóradh 1916 agus Forógra na Poblachta do mhuintir na hÉireann, ach go háirithe dóibh siúd atá ina gcónaí i mBéal Feirste. Chomh maith le nascanna a dhéanamh le himeachtaí trasna oileán na hÉireann, beidh ról suntasach ag Béal Feirste i gcomóradh na hócáide stairiúla le sraith cainteanna áitiúla agus naisiúnta, léachtanna agus pléanna. Beidh aird ar léith tugtha do na daoine áitiúla siúd a ghlac páirt san Éirí amach. Is deis é an cuimhneachán speisialta seo dúinn uilig i gCathair Bhéal Feirste ár saoil a ath-thiomnú d'ídéil agus prionsabail an Fhorógra, chun eolas a thabhairt do ghlún úr ar cad is brí leis, chun an todhchaí a mhúnlú tríd an t-am atá thart a chuimhniú.



Prionsabail An Choiste



Tabharfaidh Comóradh Éirí Amach 1916 deis dúinn an tréimhse sin a cheiliúradh agus faill ann bheith ag plé le dearcthaí éagsúla bhunadh Bhéal Feirste.



Beidh deis ann bheith ag caint le gach dream a bhfuil a dhearcadh polaitíochta féin acu ar an stair chasta atá ag Poblachtánaigh.



Bunófar cómhra faoi imeachtaí An Éirí Amach agus cuireadh ar dhaoine cur le dioscúrsa a bheidh cuimsitheach fadradharcach.



Cuirfear fearadh na fáilte roimh chách i ngach suíomh forbhfáilteach a chothóidh muid



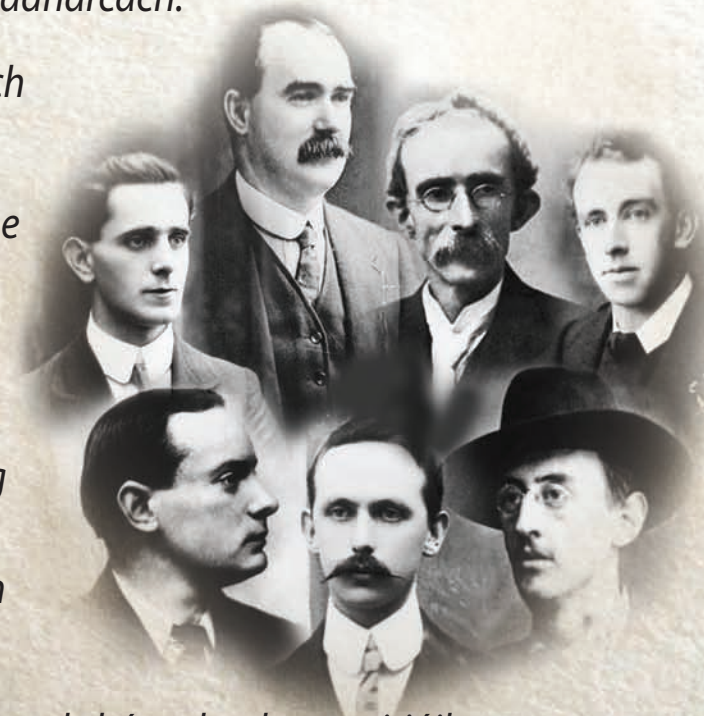
Tógfar próiseas ina n-iarrfar ar rannpháirtithe lán-bhaint agus suim as cuimse bheith acu amharc go hoscailte ar An Éirí Amach trí réimse peirspeictíochtaí.



Bheith tarraingteach ag grúpaí éagsúla beag beann ar aois, inscne agus ar dhearcadh polaitíochta. Cloífidh gach dream a rachaidh cuireadh orthu leis seo de riachtanas.



Pléifear le himeachtaí 1916 mar chuid den chomhthéacs leathan stairiúil.



Realising the Republic

The Centenary of 1916 and the Proclamation will be a period of huge significance for the people of Ireland and particularly for the city of Belfast. As well as linking in with events happening across the island of Ireland, Belfast will play a significant role in marking this historical period with a series of national events and local talks, lectures and discussions. Particular focus will be given to those from Belfast who participated in the events leading to the Rising. This special anniversary is a time for all of us to rededicate our lives to the ideals and principles of the proclamation and to remember those who died, and fought to bring freedom, equality and justice to all.



Principles of the Committee



The Anniversary of the Easter Rising offers the possibility of marking/commemorating events while providing the opportunity to engage with a broad spectrum of Belfast public opinion.



Engage with all political perspectives in the complexity of our Republican history.



Create a dialogue around the events of the Rising which is an invitation to a broad and progressive discourse



We will be dignified in our approach to others by creating a narrative of hospitality



Construct a process that invites its participants into an engagement that generates a deep curiosity and a willingness to look at the history of the Easter Rising through many prisms.



Have an appeal for diverse age/gender/political grouping. Representative invite lists will reflect this imperative.



Locate events of 1916 within their wider historical context.

Those executed in 1916

The Signatories

Tom Clarke

Firing squad, Kilmainham, Dublin, 3rd May 1916

Thomas MacDonagh

Firing squad, Kilmainham, Dublin, 3rd May 1916

Patrick Pearse

Firing squad, Kilmainham, Dublin, 3rd May 1916

Joseph Mary Plunkett

Firing squad, Kilmainham, Dublin, 4th May 1916

Éamonn Ceannt

Firing squad, Kilmainham, Dublin, 8th May 1916

James Connolly

Kilmainham, Dublin, 12th May 1916

Seán MacDiarmada

Firing squad, Kilmainham, Dublin, 12th May 1916

Other Executed Leaders

Edward Daly

Firing squad, Kilmainham, Dublin, 4th May 1916

Michael O'Hanrahan

Firing squad, Kilmainham, Dublin, 4th May 1916

William Pearse (Younger brother of Patrick)

Firing squad, Kilmainham, Dublin, 4th May 1916

John MacBride

Firing squad, Kilmainham, Dublin, 5th May 1916

Con Colbert

Firing squad, Kilmainham, Dublin, 8th May 1916

Seán Heuston

Firing squad, Kilmainham, Dublin, 8th May 1916

Michael Mallin

Firing squad, Kilmainham, Dublin, 8th May 1916

Thomas Kent

Firing squad, Cork Detention Barracks, 9th May 1916

Roger Casement

Hanged in Pentonville Prison, London, 3rd August 1916



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Centenary Easter Parade

Sunday 27th March 2016

The annual Easter Sunday parade organised by Cumann Uagheann Na Laochradh Gaedheal, Béal Feirste, (National Graves Association, Belfast) will assemble in Hamill Street at 12.30 on Easter Sunday. The march will then proceed to Milltown Cemetery where a short ceremony of remembrance will be held. Recreating the atmosphere of 100 years ago, those marching with the parade will be in period dress, which will also include horse drawn carriages, uniforms and memorabilia of the time.



Remembering Charlie Monahan

Weekend of events Ballymacarrett. 15th - 17th April 2016

Charlie Monahan was born in Belfast on 21 March 1879 and grew up in 23 Riley's Place. He joined the Irish Volunteers and the Irish Republican Brotherhood. He was chosen to take part in a raid with five other volunteers to seize the wireless station on Valentia Island in Co. Kerry. On Good Friday night 2 April 1916, two cars of Volunteers travelled to Kerry; Charlie was in the rear car. Taking a wrong turn on the Killorglin Road the car in which Charlie was travelling plunged over an unprotected bridge into the river Laune. All were drowned except for the driver. Charlie Monahan's body was not found until 30 October 1916. He was buried two days later in Drumavally Cemetery, Co Kerry.

Remembering James Connolly

Weekend of events. 12th - 14th May 2016

James Connolly. Revolutionary socialist, trade unionist and political theorist. The son of Irish parents he was born in Edinburgh on 5 June 1868. Brought up in poverty he left school at the age of 11. Attracted into politics by the labour movement, he was invited in 1896 to become paid organiser of the Dublin Socialist Society. In Dublin he founded the Irish Socialist Republican Party. He emigrated to the US in 1903 returning to Ireland in 1910. By 1911 he was the Belfast organiser for the Irish Transport and General Workers Union. During the Dublin lock out in 1913, he co-founded the Irish Citizen Army established to defend the rights of Dublin workers. He was in command of the GPO during Easter Week where he was severely wounded. On 9 May, 1916, he was propped up in bed before a court-martial and sentenced to death. At dawn on 12 May he was taken by ambulance from Dublin Castle to Kilmainham Jail. Carried on a stretcher into the prison yard, he was strapped into a chair in a corner of the yard and executed by firing-squad.

Remembering Winifred Carney

Weekend of events North Belfast. 11th - 13th June 2016

Winifred Carney - Feminist, socialist, suffragette, member of the Gaelic league, Secretary of the Irish Textile Workers Union, member of the Irish Citizen Army (ICA), member of Cumann na mBan and secretary to James Connolly. Winifred was born on 4 December 1887. On Easter Monday, 24 April 1916, Winnie, with her typewriter under her arm, marched with a detachment of the ICA from Liberty Hall to the General Post Office in the centre of Dublin. Winnie was one of a small number of women who entered the GPO that Easter Monday, remaining there until its evacuation, and being one of the last to leave.

Casement Remembered 3rd August 2016

On the 100th anniversary of his execution events will be held to remember Roger Casement. Please see our website or check facebook.

Dawn Vigils 3rd May -12th May and 3rd August 2016

On the execution dates a dawn vigil will be held which will include a minutes silence and a wreath laying ceremony at the new James Connolly statue at Falls Community Council. Please see our website or check facebook.





Pull-Out Commemoration Proclamation



arms. Standing on that fundamental right and again asserting it in arms in the face of the world, we hereby proclaim the Irish Republic as a Sovereign Independent State, and we pledge our lives and the lives of our comrades-in-arms to the cause of its freedom, of its welfare, and of its exaltation among the nations.

The Irish Republic is entitled to, and hereby claims, the allegiance of every Irishman and Irishwoman. The Republic guarantees religious and civil liberty, equal rights and equal opportunities to all its citizens, and declares its resolve to pursue the happiness and prosperity of the whole nation and of all its parts, cherishing all the children of the nation equally, and oblivious of the differences carefully fostered by an alien government, which have divided a minority from the majority in the past.

Until our arms have brought the opportune moment for the establishment of a permanent National Government, representative of the whole people of Ireland and elected by the suffrages of all her men and women, the Provisional Government, hereby constituted, will administer the civil and military affairs of the Republic in trust for the people.

We place the cause of the Irish Republic under the protection of the Most High God, Whose blessing we invoke upon our arms, and we pray that no one who serves that cause will dishonour it by cowardice, inhumanity, or rapine. In this supreme hour the Irish nation must, by its valour and discipline and by the readiness of its children to sacrifice themselves for the common good, prove itself worthy of the august destiny to which it is called.

Signed on Behalf of the Provisional Government,

THOMAS J. CLARKE,

SEAN Mac DIARMADA,

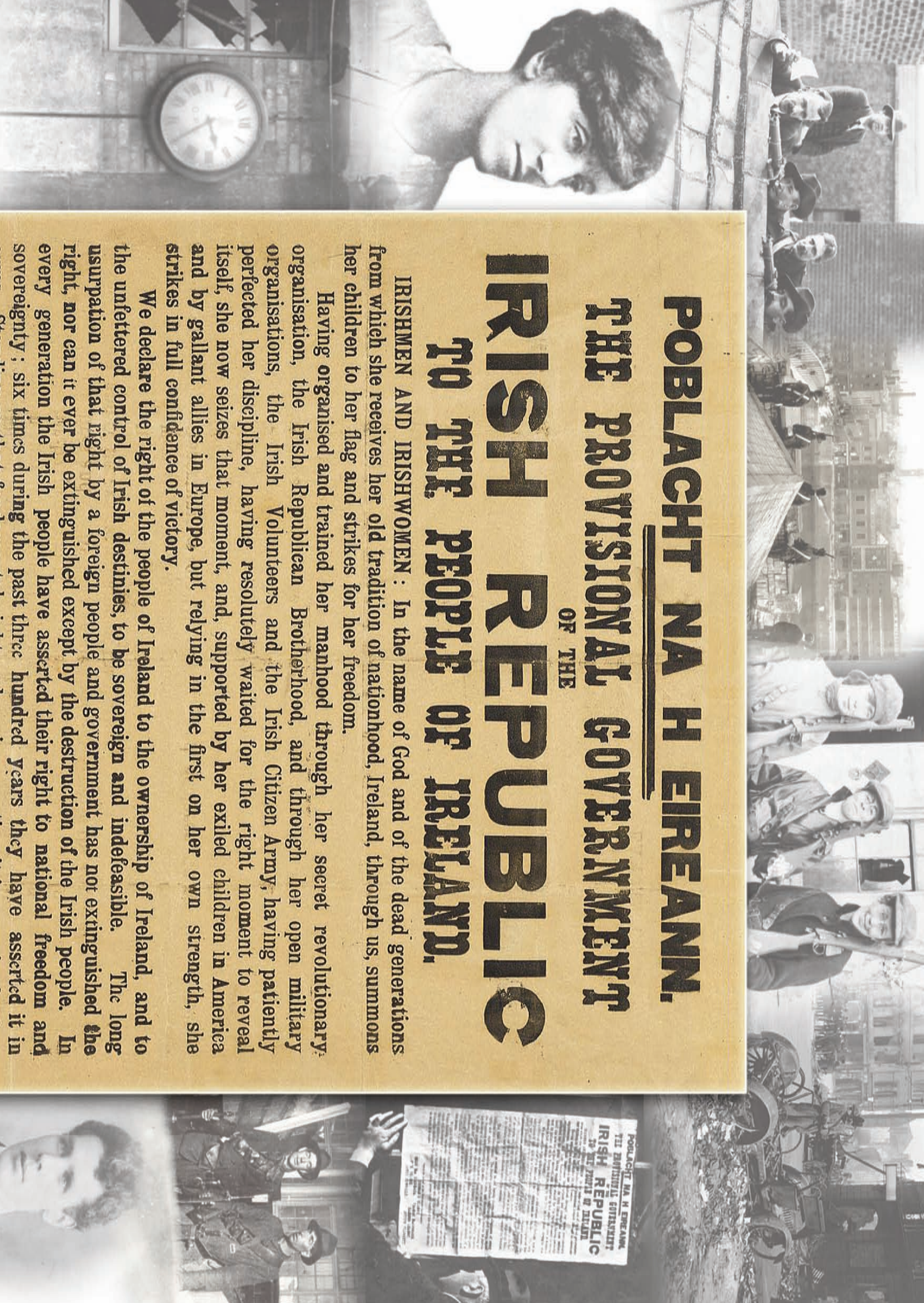
P. H. PEARSE,

THOMAS MacDONAGH,
EAMONN CEANNT,

JAMES CONNOLLY.

JOSEPH PLUNKETT.





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THE PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT

OF THE

IRISH REPUBLIC

TO THE PEOPLE OF IRELAND.

IRISHMEN AND IRISHWOMEN : In the name of God and of the dead generations from which she receives her old tradition of nationhood, Ireland, through us, summons her children to her flag and strikes for her freedom.

Having organised and trained her manhood through her secret revolutionary organisation, the Irish Republican Brotherhood, and through her open military organisations, the Irish Volunteers and the Irish Citizen Army, having patiently perfected her discipline, having resolutely waited for the right moment to reveal itself, she now seizes that moment, and, supported by her exiled children in America and by gallant allies in Europe, but relying in the first on her own strength, she strikes in full confidence of victory.

We declare the right of the people of Ireland to the ownership of Ireland, and to the unfettered control of Irish destinies, to be sovereign and indefeasible. The long usurpation of that right by a foreign people and government has not extinguished the right, nor can it ever be extinguished except by the destruction of the Irish people. In every generation the Irish people have asserted their right to national freedom and sovereignty; six times during the past three hundred years they have asserted it in



The Foggy Dew

As down the glen one Easter morn to a city fair rode I
There Armed lines of marching men in squadrons passed me by
No fife did hum nor battle drum did sound it's dread tattoo
But the Angelus bell o'er the Liffey swell rang out through the foggy dew

Right proudly high over Dublin Town they hung out the flag of war
'Twas better to die 'neath an Irish sky than at Sulva or Sud El Bar
And from the plains of Royal Meath strong men came hurrying through
While Britannia's Huns, with their long range guns sailed in through the foggy dew

'Twas Britannia bade our Wild Geese go that small nations might be free
But their lonely graves are by Sulva's waves or the shore of the Great North Sea
Oh, had they died by Pearse's side or fought with Cathal Brugha
Their names we will keep where the fenians sleep 'neath the shroud of the foggy dew

But the bravest fell, and the requiem bell rang mournfully and clear
For those who died that Eastertide in the springing of the year
And the world did gaze, in deep amaze, at those fearless men, but few
Who bore the fight that freedom's light might shine through the foggy dew

Ah, back through the glen I rode again and my heart with grief was sore
For I parted then with valiant men whom I never shall see more
But to and fro in my dreams I go and I'd kneel and pray for you,
For slavery fled, O glorious dead, When you fell in the foggy dew.

The song was penned by Fr Charles O'Neill a priest from St Peter's, Belfast,
and arranged by Carl Gilbert Hardebeck, organist at St Peter's.

1916 - 2016 Centenary Dinner

in the Waterfront Hall Saturday 14th May 2016

Over 1000 guests from far and wide will attend this historic celebration of the Easter Rising in Belfast's own WaterFront Hall including surviving relatives of those executed in 1916.



Irish Volunteers Re-enactment Sunday 5th June 2016

Cumann Uaigheann Na Laochradh Gaedheal, Béal Feirste, (National Graves Association, Belfast) is organising a re-enactment march from Hamill Street to MacRory Park and the erection of a plaque at Willobank Park. In early March 1914, members of the Belfast Freedom Club issued a letter to all nationalist organisations in the city, inviting them to a meeting in St Mary's Minor Hall, Belfast. At the meeting the Belfast Irish Volunteers were formed. Volunteers immediately began drilling new recruits in the Willowbank huts. On Saturday 6 June 1914 fifteen hundred Belfast Irish Volunteers, assembled in Shaun's Park (now MacRory Park) at the bottom of the Whiterock Road. On Saturday 5 September 1914, three thousand Belfast Volunteers marched from Hamill Street to Shaun's Park.

Remembering Séan Mac Diarmada

Weekend of events West Belfast. 21st - 22nd May 2016

Sean, from Glenfarne, County Leitrim, was a trainee teacher in his local National School. After an argument with a local clergyman he went to Glasgow and then to Belfast where he was recruited into the Irish Republican Brotherhood (IRB) by Denis McCullough and Bulmer Hobson. He was made a full time organiser of the Dungannon Clubs on Friday 25 January 1907. On Tuesday, 11 November 1913, Sean was in attendance at a meeting in Wynn's Hotel, Dublin, to discuss the formation of the Irish Volunteers. On 20 September 1915 he was co-opted onto the Military Council of the IRB. He was executed on 12 May 1916 as one of the leaders of the 1916 Rising.

Women in the Struggle

Jan/Feb for 6 weeks & International Women's Day 8th March. Market area

This will involve women of the Markets area meeting weekly to discuss the role that women have played in the revolutionary struggle leading to 1916. The project will culminate in a visual exhibition of 'Women in the Struggle'. Also, as part of International Women's Day, a lecture and presentation will further examine the role of women such as Winifred Carney, Nora Connolly and the Corr sisters in the 1916 Easter Rising

CORR SISTERS South Belfast Exhibition. March 2016

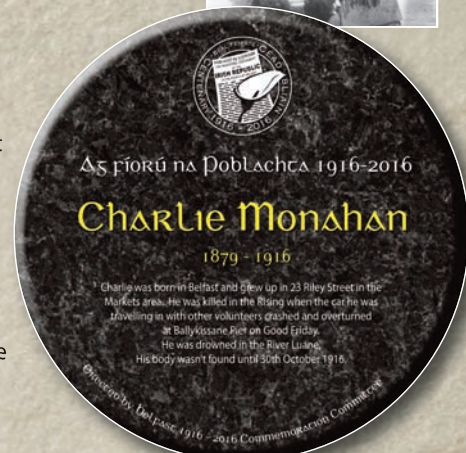
Eleanor Corr and her sister Elizabeth lived of the Ormeau Road. In October 1915 Elizabeth and Nell joined A Company, Belfast Cumann na mBan and the Gaelic League. Elizabeth and Nell were chosen to accompany the Belfast Volunteers to Coalisland on Easter Saturday. After they were informed that the orders for volunteer mobilisation had been countermanded, the women made their way to Dublin, where they reported to James Connolly in Liberty Hall. On Easter Monday, they were shown a copy of the Easter Proclamation by Connolly. Later that day the six women were sent back to the north with a dispatch from James Connolly which was carried in the ribbon of Nell's hat. The dispatch addressed to the Volunteer leadership in the North, gave details of the planned Declaration of a Republic and on the armed actions which would take place in Dublin. They eventually arrived back in Belfast on Friday 28 April. Elizabeth, who had been working as a typist in the Belfast Library, was dismissed when her employers found out about her travel to Dublin.

Belfast's International Wall

The world Famous International Wall has long been a platform for political, social and progressive issues. To mark the centenary of 1916 a team of international artists will use the wall to tell the world of the Belfast connection to that period.

Launch of Belfast Rising Trail

Throughout the year special plaques will be unveiled in the city to commemorate the lives of those involved in the Rising with special links to Belfast. Over 20 plaques will be unveiled around the city to create a commemorative Rising Trail with a walk linked to the plaques, detailing Belfast's support and sacrifices made during the Rising. This will be a major attraction not just for tourists and ex-patriates visiting the city but also for local historians and other interested parties. Look out on Facebook and social medium as the unveilings are announced and the full Trail is launched. Dates and time to be confirmed.





In Your Area

There will be a number of local events taking place throughout the year in Belfast. These will include parades, exhibitions, film showings, dramas, lectures, talks, debates and concerts. A small selection of these events are included below. Keep a regular check on our Facebook page, and follow us on twitter for an update on events to be held throughout Belfast. See details below.



Colin Area

28th February 2016: New Mural at the shops in Twinbrook.

26th March 2016: Parade and Plaque Unveiling
To the local monument in centre of Twinbrook.

7th May 2016: Cycle from Milltown Cemetery to Arbour Hill, Dublin

Andersonstown

5th-6th February 2016: Commemoration Weekend

5th February 2016: Exhibition of Original 1916 Memorabilia (PD Club)
12pm-6pm Function and presentations in that evening.

7th February: Plaque Unveiling
Commemorating 1916 Centenary

4th - 6th March 2016: Play on the theme of Frongoch Internment Camp. Roddy McCorley Club

Upper Springfield

1st-2nd May 2016: Gort na Móna 2016 Tournaments

Sunday 1st May 2016, 7.30pm: Play **"The Price of an Easter Lilly"**
A play by renowned playwright Roisín Walsh. Gort na Móna GAA Club.

Date TBC: Monument unveiling. To the leaders of 1916
Top of Whiterock

Date TBC: Ladies GAA Tournament
In honour of Margaret Skinnider who took part in the Rising and was the only female injured during the Rising

Date TBC: Bus Run to Sean Mac Diarmada's birth place
County Leitrim

South and East Belfast

Jan/Feb 2016 for 6 weeks: Women in Struggle
See page for Flagship events.

15 - 17 April 2016: Weekend of events Ballymacarrett. Remembering Charlie Monahan

17th April 2016: Short Strand Drama
An innovative new drama has been written involving the whole Short Strand community as it moves around the district using 5 different sites.

21 - 24 October 2016: Charlie Monahan - Bus Run to Kerry

St James's Area/Lower Falls

31st January 2016: New Séan Mac Diarmada mural
Clonard Hibs wall, bottom of Clonard Street.

3rd March 2016: Film - Mise Éire St John's Parish Centre

8th March: Plaque unveiling and discussion dedicated to the women of 1916
Roddy McCorley Club Women's Garden

19th March - 2nd April: Exhibitions: Republicans Executed
Venue: Belfast Taxi CIC Complex

22nd April 2016: St James's to Dublin
The Story of the people of St James's who went to fight in the Easter Rising. St James's Community Forum

21st May 2016: Remembering Séan Mac Diarmada
Commencement of weekend of events

29th May 2016: Séan Mac Diarmada Exhibition and Plaque Unveiling

North Belfast

11th - 13th June 2016: Winifred Carney Weekend
Debates, talks and exhibitions reflecting on the achievements of this courageous woman.

Many local events such as film showings, talks or exhibitions will be organised throughout the year. Check out Facebook and Twitter for further information as events come up. Please note that dates and times of some events may be subject to change.



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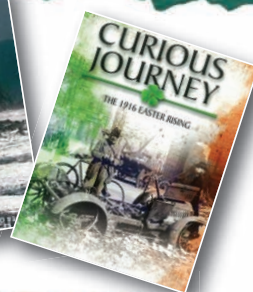
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Belfast Film Festival

The Film Festival will be sourcing both rare archive and newly produced films about this pivotal phase in Irish History. George Morrison's classic *Mise Eire* (1959), *The Orange and the Green* (1966) by Jeremy Murray-Brown and *Curious Journey* (1973) directed by Kenneth Griffith are just a few of the titles with themes of the 1916 Rising and its consequences, to be included. A selection of these films will be available at little cost, to be shown by interested local groups, including schools, commemoration committees, youth clubs or historical societies. Send requests for more information on this programme directly to:

outreach@belfastfilmfestival.org



Féile an Earraigh Monday 21st - Monday 28th March 2016

The Féile in March 1916 will celebrate the historic impact of the 1916 Easter Rising.

Perspectives on 1916 - The Easter Rising

A series of lectures and events exploring different aspects of the Easter Rising

Belfast Rising - A Special Drama by Brassneck Theatre - Friday 25th March

Songs of Revolution - Saturday 26th March

A special concert featuring international artists performing songs of revolution from Ireland and around the world.

Féile Concert - Sunday 27th March

Céilí Mór - Knockmore Céilí Band, Monday 28th March, 7.00pm, Devenish Inn (National Graves Association)

Hundreds of dancers will clap their hands and stamp their feet to the sounds of one of Ireland's top céilí bands

Pick up a programme nearer the time for a full list of these important events and more.

August Féile Thursday 4th - Sunday 14th August 2016

Europe's largest community festival Féile an Phobail will focus on a series of events through discussion, debates, exhibitions, drama and music to examine the influence and consequences of the Easter Rising, the Proclamation and the Battle of the Somme. Musicians, historians, artists and activists from around the world will celebrate, discuss and examine the legacy and stories of the 1916 Easter Rising. See the full programme brochure and website in July 2016 for a full diary of events.

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Launch of Roger Casement Centenary Jersey

A special shirt has been commissioned to commemorate the centenary of Roger Casement's execution.

Special Roger Casement County Shirts

All county teams will wear shirts with an image of Roger Casement.

Roger Casement Lecture

A special event will be organised that will include a lecture on the life of Roger Casement by Martin Ferris, Sinn Féin TD.

Roger Casement Memorial County Match against Laochra Loch Lao

Gaelic Sunday - A Commemoration 17 July 2016

In 1916 it was illegal for groups to gather, even in small crowds. As a protest at the time every Gaelic club in Ireland played on the Sunday as a protest, making it impossible for the authorities to arrest everyone of the crowds who gathered during the games. The events of this day in 1916 will be replicated across the county when every club will host a 1916 commemorative event on the one day.

Father Alec Reid Memorial Cup - Tipperary v Antrim in the Glens

To commemorate Roger Casement Tipperary are coming to Ulster and will play Antrim in the Glens





Centre Piece Exhibition

2016, Revolution 1916

Opens Saturday 27th February

The Exhibition in the Ambassador Theatre in O'Connell Street, Dublin will open to the public on Saturday 27th Feb and will run for 33 weeks. Booking Information can be found on www.revolution1916.ie. The exhibition will look at the factors influencing those behind the Rising, the events themselves and also the aftermath. The entire Irish Volunteers Commemorative Organisation collection will be on show for the first time including original Howth Mauser Rifles and a 1916 Proclamation.

Women of the Revolution 6th March

These brave women are remembered with a march and rally at the G.P.O. in Dublin

Lost Leaders Good Friday 25th March, Dublin

We will see them honoured with a parade featuring many overseas pipe bands from Kilmainham to Arbour Hill for a Wreath Laying Ceremony.

Irish Citizen Army Re-enactment

Easter Saturday 26th March

From Liberty Hall up Grafton St and into the 1916 garrison St Stephen's Green.

Anniversary Weekend 23rd and 24th April.

Will feature a two day conference and a major event on O'Connell Street on the morning of the 24th April.

Dawn Vigils 3rd May - 12th May (Dublin) 3rd August (Pentonville)

On the execution dates 3rd May - 12th May in Dublin and Cork and 3rd August in Pentonville.

Commemorations parades and exhibitions will also be taking place in Dublin and beyond. Below are listed some of the best and most memorable events to take place in Dublin next year.

Look Out for:

Dublin Trips To Glasnevin

Premier of O'Donovan Rossa Drama

Local Film Festivals

Showing films and documentaries related to Ireland and its troubles

International Wall repainted to tell the story of 1916

Redesigned by world famous mural artist Danny Devenney and themed to 1916.

1916 Historical Film

Belfast in 1916

A new specially commissioned drama by Tony Devlin telling the story of the city at the time.

Book Launches

Art/Photographic Exhibitions

Massive Easter Céili

Local Parades

Local GAA

Tournaments and Events

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For a wide range of
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