

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

1 & 2 SEPT / Fitzgerald's Woodlands House Hotel, Adare

	THURS 31 AUG	FRI 1 SEPT		SAT 2 SEPT	
10:00AM - 10:30AM		Tracing Your Ancestors in Limerick CATRIONA CROWE		Using DNA to Solve Family Tree Mysteries MICHELLE LEONARD	
10:40AM - 11:10AM		New Online Sources for Irish Genealogy AOIFE RYAN		Irish Newspaper Archives Overview ANDREW MARTIN	
11:20AM - 12:00PM		Representative Church Bodies of Ireland JANE HALLORAN RYAN		Researching Uncle Sam: Genealogy Resources in the USA JOE BUGGY	
12:00PM - 1:00PM		LUNCH		LUNCH	
1:00PM - 1:40PM	Intro to Genealogy Workshop. 1PM - 3PM. (separate ticket)	Sources for Genealogy at the Military Archives of Ireland STEPHEN MACEOIN	DNA Bootcamp. SHELLEE MOREHEAD 1PM - 3PM. (separate ticket)	The Fromelles Genealogy Project: From WW1 Mass Grave to 21st Century Named Grave MICHELLE LEONARD	DNA Bootcamp. SHELLEE MOREHEAD 1PM - 3PM. (separate ticket)
1:50PM - 2:30PM		Genealogical Office Records for Family History CIARA KERRIGAN		Finding Your Irish Ancestors in New York City JOE BUGGY	
2:30PM - 3:00PM		BREAK		BREAK	
3:00PM - 3:40PM		Caring for Your Family Collection - Prevention is Better Than Cure! LOUISE O'CONNOR		Exploring Ireland's Adoptions, Mother & Baby Homes & Magdalene Laundries CONALL Ó FÁTHARTA + GUESTS	
3:50PM - 4:30PM		Genealogical Proof Standard SHELLEE MOREHEAD		Digital Tools for Genealogy SPEAKER TBA	
5:30PM - 8:30PM	Adare Farm Tour & BBQ (separate ticket)	Adare Village Tour & Dinner at 1826 Restaurant (separate ticket)		City Tour: Tea Parlor, Georgian History Walk & Dinner (separate ticket)	

THURS 31 AUG / PM

1PM - 3:00PM

Beginner Genealogy Workshop

An informal and interactive pre-conference workshop focused on the basics of beginning genealogy research with an emphasis on Irish genealogy. No experience required.

5:30PM - 8:30PM | SPECIAL EVENT: Adare Farm BBQ

FRI 1 SEPT / AM

10:00AM - 10:30AM

Tracing Your Ancestors in Limerick

CATRIONA CROWE - LIMERICK GENEALOGY

An updated overview on tracing your ancestors in Limerick.

10:30AM - 10:40AM - Q&A / Break

10:40AM - 11:10AM

New Online Sources for Irish Genealogy

AOIFE RYAN - LIMERICK GENEALOGY

An examination of the variety of online sources to support Irish genealogy research. Presented by Limerick Genealogy.

11:10AM - 11:20AM - Q&A / Break

11:20AM - 12:00PM

Representative Church Body of Ireland

JANE HALLORAN RYAN

A review of the records and resources available at the Representative Church Body of Ireland in Dublin, inclusive of the Methodist church, Quakers and other records covering other aspects of Protestant society at PRONI (Public Records of Northern Ireland), NAI (National Archives of Ireland)

LUNCH

FRI 1 SEPT / PM (Cont'd)

1:00PM - 1:40PM

Sources for Genealogy at the Military Archives of Ireland

STEPHEN MACEOIN - MILITARY ARCHIVES OF IRELAND

An outline of the resources available at the Military Archives of Ireland, inclusive of the newly developed "genealogy hub" which provides a one shop stop access to key collections, including the Military Service Pensions Collection.

1:00PM - 3:00PM

DNA Bootcamp

(\$ - separate ticket)

SHELLEE MOREHEAD

A hands-on, practical view of interpreting DNA results. This mini bootcamp will offer a review of the main navigation screens of the three main testing companies, the key terms, initial interpretation steps as well as third party tools to support DNA analysis. Laptops or tablets plus DNA kit numbers and log in information highly recommended.

1:50PM - 2:30PM

Genealogical Office Records for Family History

CIARA KERRIGAN - NATIONAL LIBRARY OF IRELAND

An overview of the family history resources available at the National Library of Ireland.

2:30PM - 3:00PM - Q&A / Break

3:00PM - 3:40PM

Caring for Your Family Collection - Prevention is Better Than Cure!

LOUISE O'CONNOR - NATIONAL LIBRARY OF IRELAND

Learn how to apply preservation tips to help keep your family papers in good condition for years to come.

3:50PM - 4:30PM

Genealogical Proof Standard

SHELLEE MOREHEAD

The Genealogical Proof Standard is used to establish proof of identities and relationships when direct evidence is lacking. Genealogists know that finding proof of some relationships can be easy, but some problems may be more complex and not have an obvious solution. Understanding and using GPS elevates genealogy outcomes to the highest standards of research and answers questions that may have little documentary evidence. This lecture defines the 5 steps of the GPS and shows a case study of a complex problem that was solved with research, creativity, attention to detail and a defined process.

5:30PM - 8:30PM | SPECIAL EVENT: Adare Village Tour & Dinner at 1826 (\$)

SAT 2 SEPT / AM

10:00AM - 10:30AM

Using DNA to Solve Family Tree Mysteries

MICHELLE LEONARD

This talk will give an overview of how AtDNA, Y-DNA and MtDNA can help you solve mysteries in and confirm the accuracy of your family tree. It will focus primarily on AtDNA explaining how AtDNA is inherited and how to use your AtDNA results to find new cousins, break down brick walls and confirm your paper research. Using personal success stories it will talk you through the process from getting your results to matching with cousins and offer practical guidance on the best steps to take to succeed. It will also cover the importance of X-chromosome matches and the use of third party tools.

10:30AM - 10:40AM Q&A / Break

10:40AM - 11:10AM

Irish Newspaper Archives Overview

ANDREW MARTIN

An overview on the resources available at the Irish Newspaper Archives, inclusive of its catalogue, tools and functionality and future developments.

11:10AM - 11:20AM - Q&A / Break

11:20AM - 12:00PM

Researching Uncle Sam: Genealogy Resources in the USA

JOE BUGGY

This talk will focus on the core records sets to get you started in U.S. research, including federal and state censuses, vital records (civil registration), naturalization records and immigration resources.

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SAT 2 SEPT / PM (Cont'd)

1:00PM - 1:40PM

The Fromelles Genealogy Project: From WW1 Mass Grave to 21st Century Named Grave

MICHELLE LEONARD

In May 2008 250 WW1 soldiers were uncovered in a mass grave in France; this led to the instigation of a ground-breaking project to discover who these men were via DNA testing, anthropological study and genealogical research. This presentation will talk about the project with a specific focus on how genealogical detective work has so far helped to identify 150 of those men and give them named graves in the first military cemetery to be built in France in over 50 years. It will also tell some of their stories and give a brief overview of how to trace DNA-appropriate relatives and your own WW1 war dead.

1:40PM - 1:50PM - Q&A / Break

1:50PM - 2:30PM

Finding Your Irish Ancestors in New York City

JOE BUGGY

The talk will cover a number of strategies for tracing Irish ancestors in and around the city. Underutilized record sets that could yield a relevant name, location in Ireland or pertinent genealogical information will also be outlined. Most importantly, an overview will be given of some of the records and publications that definitely give an Irish place of origin for those immigrant ancestors.

2:30PM - 3:00PM - Q&A / Break

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3:00PM - 3:40PM

Exploring Ireland's Adoptions, Mother & Baby Homes & Magdalene Laundries

CONALL Ó FÁTHARTA - IRISH EXAMINER + GUESTS

Drawing from several perspectives, learn more about Ireland's history regarding adoptions, mother and baby homes and Magdalene Laundries. Hear from Conall O'Fatharta, senior news reporter with Irish Examiner and author of www.conallofatharta.wordpress.com on the process of bringing such stories to publication as well as from experts on Irish adoption to highlight how to mine records to discover one's own identity.

3:40PM - 3:50PM - Q&A / Break

3:50PM - 4:30PM

Digital Tools for Genealogy

An overview of the digital tools for genealogy for recording, family tree storage, sharing and more.

5:30PM - 8:30PM | SPECIAL EVENT: City Tour: Georgian History Walk & Dinner (\$)