

# Power, prayer & public archaeology A conference in celebration of 750 years since the foundation of the Black Friary

## Monday 1st July

8.00pm **Another centenary: Photographs of Ireland in 1913 from the Albert Kahn Collection** (Pre-conference FREE public talk).

## Tuesday 2nd July

**Session 1: European Monasticism: Lessons from the Continent**

**Chair: Finola O'Carroll, Irish Archaeology Field School**

8.45am Registration and Refreshments

9.15am **Welcome Address** Cathaoirleach, Meath County Council  
9.30am **Official Opening** by Minister Brian Hayes T.D. Minister of State at the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform with special responsibility for the Office of Public Works

10.00am **Geoffrey de Geneville and the patronage of architecture in thirteenth-century Ireland** Professor Tadhg O'Keefe, UCD School of Archaeology

10.45am **Fringes of Monasticism: Excavations at Skriðuklaustur Monastery, 2000-2012** Professor Steinunn Kristjánsdóttir, National Museum & University of Iceland Setberg

11.30am **Sacred Geography and Religious Representation in a Changing Urban Landscape: Lessons from Medieval Constance** Professor Alison Beach, Ohio State University

**Session 2: The Friary in Ireland: Law and Orders**

**Chair: Dr. Michael Potterton, Four Courts Press**

2.00pm **The Hounds of the Lord: a day in the life of a Black Friar in Medieval Trim** Br. Colman Ó Clabaigh, Glenstal Abbey

2.40pm **Monastic Ireland 1100-1700AD project & Old Monasticism to new? Monasticism in Ireland 900-1200** Dr. Niamh NicGhabhann, University College Dublin & Dr. Edel Breathnach, CEO, Discovery Programme

3.25pm Tea/Coffee

3.45pm **Understanding Irish Medieval Insular mendicants in their International Context** Dr. Annejolie Lafaye, University College Dublin

**7.00pm Conference BBQ**

## Wednesday 3rd July

**Session 3: Monastic Structures: Organisation and Material Culture**

**Chair: Matthew Seaver, University College Dublin**

9.45am **Deconstruction and reinvention, Monastic architecture after the Dissolution** Dr. Rachel Moss, Royal Society of Antiquaries of Ireland & Trinity College Dublin

10.25am **Moyne Friary, Co. Mayo and the architecture of the Observant Reform** Dr. Yvonne McDermot, Galway Mayo Institute of Technology

11.15am Tea/Coffee

11.30am **From Cistercians to Colcloughs; Tintern Abbey, Co. Wexford** . Ann Lynch, National Monuments Service

12.15am **The Excavation and Analysis of the Human Burials at the Black Friary, Trim** Dr. Rachel Scott, Arizona State University

**Session 4: Community Archaeology & Heritage: Black Friary & Beyond**

**Chair: Dr. Loreto Guinan, Meath Heritage Officer**

2.15pm **Cultural Heritage Amenity Town** Dr. Stephen Mandal, Irish Archaeology Field School

2.55pm **Black Friary Community Archaeology Project** Finola O'Carroll MA, Irish Archaeology Field School

3.25pm Tea/Coffee

3.45pm **Trim: A Community Perspective** Various community speakers

4.15pm **The Dead beneath the Floors: the use of space for burial in the Dominican Blackfriary in Trim, Co. Meath** Emma Lagan, New York University

4.35pm Concluding Remarks

## Thursday 4th July

11.00am **SITE TOUR:** Black Friary with Director Finola O'Carroll