

June 2015

Currently on Display

James Hoban: Architect of the White House

James Hoban's life is a memorable Irish-American success story. In his boyhood he learned the craft of carpenter and wheelwright, and became an architect by profession and a builder by trade. Hoban came to America with high ambitions, and designed and erected many buildings; but what keeps his name alive today arises from one special commission—he was the architect of the White House.



Much about Hoban's life and personality remains a mystery. In his own time he was not the legendary figure he has since become. His personal and business papers, mostly lost in a fire in the 1880s, survive only in scattered drawings, public and legal documents, and newspaper notices. These sources reveal what is known of the details of his life.

This exhibit is on loan from The White House Historical Association.

The White House Historical Association is a nonprofit educational association founded in 1961 for the purpose of enhancing the understanding, appreciation, and enjoyment of the Executive Mansion.

Rescheduled: 16th Joseph J. Dolan, Jr. Irish Classic Golf Tournament

July 27, 2015

Well, miraculously, it rained here on June 1. So, Welcome again to the Sixteenth Annual Irish Classic that will now take place on July 27 to benefit the Irish American Heritage Museum and its educational programs. Now in its 29th year of operation, the Museum seeks to fulfill its mission of public education about Irish culture and the contributions of the Irish people to the United States and the World.

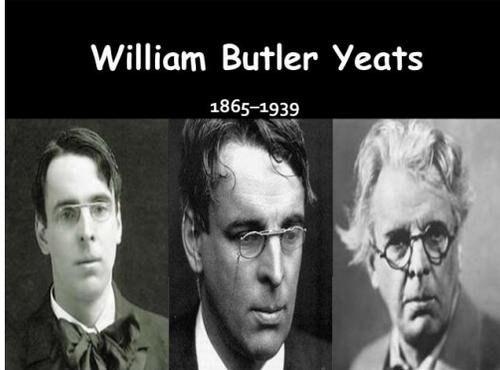
Your commitment to supporting our annual Irish Classic fundraiser will help the Museum provide our younger generations a sense of the importance of their own heritage. To our educational mission, the Museum was honored in 2014 with the "Partners in Education Award" from the New York State Council for the Social Studies - Capital Region for our programs for students of all ages from primary to college level.

Our 2015 venue will be Wolferts Roost Country Club in Albany, New York. So please join us for a fine day of good food, good golf and good company. For more information, or to register, please call the Museum at 518-427-1916.

William Butler Yeats Birthday Bash

June 13 , 12 Noon

Join the Museum and members of the Albany Civic Players as we share the writings of William Butler Yeats on his 150th birthday, and perhaps a slice of cake! Taking poems



from the different phases of Yeats' life, the audience will be able to explore the Ireland the Yeats experienced daily. Winner of the 1923 Noble Prize in Literature, "for his always inspired poetry, which in a highly artistic form gives expression to the spirit of a whole nation," Yeats is often credited with the revival of Irish literature.

Included in this presentation of the works of Yeats will be some background information provided by Dr. Margaret Lasch-Carroll, Associate Professor of English and Humanities

at Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. The Museum will also be announcing other projects related to the 150th Birthday of William Butler Yeats that it has scheduled later in the year.

Fork in the Road

Downtown Albany Business Improvement District

June 5, 2015

Come out and enjoy Downtown in a new, fun way. Relax in Tricentennial Park while enjoying some delights from available food trucks, soak in some music or browse the available wares from artisanal vendors and artists. Make it a full evening and stop in at neighboring Albany Center Gallery and other 1st Friday Albany participants, or stop off for drink at one of our many Downtown pubs.

The Downtown Albany Business Improvement District (BID) welcomes applications to participate in "Fork in the Road" in downtown Albany from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on June 5, August 7, September 4, and October 2, 2015. The event will not occur in July. Contact Marquita Rhodes for more information.



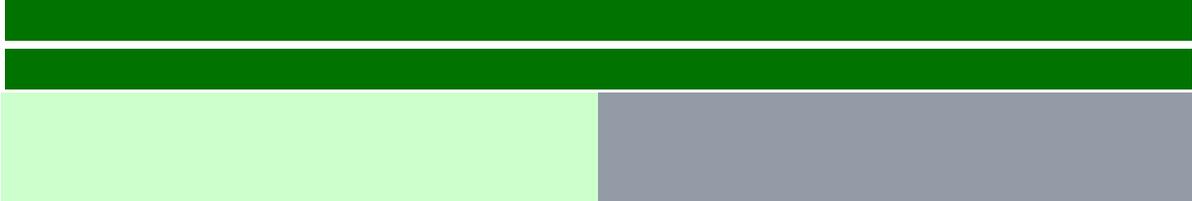
CALENDAR

Note : For events at the [Museum](#), free street parking after 6 PM on weekdays and all day on weekends. Please do not park in the private lots behind the Museum.

- June 5- Fork in the Road, Tricentennial Park Albany, NY, 4PM-8PM
- June 6- Schenectady Celtic Fair, Mabee Farm Historic Site- Route 5S, Rotterdam Junction, NY 11AM-7PM
- June 6- Irish 2000 Festival Summer Fun-Raiser, Saratoga County Fairgrounds. 12-7PM.
- June 13- William Butler Yeats Birthday Bash- Irish American Heritage Museum, 370 Broadway Albany, NY, 12 Noon
- June 13- CDIAA Famine Garden Event- CDIAA 375 Ontario St. Albany, NY, 3PM
- June 16 -Bloomsday, a commemoration and celebration of the life of Irish writer James Joyce. Details to follow.

June 20- Summer Solstice Festival and Hike-A-Thon- Albany County Helderberg Hudson Rail Trail

July 10- Opening of The Irish in the Adirondacks, Tannery Pond Community Center North Creek, NY



About Us

The Irish American Heritage Museum is a permanently chartered 501(c)3 non-profit with an educational mission: To preserve and tell the story of the contributions of the Irish people and their culture in America, inspiring individuals to examine the importance of their own heritage as part of the American cultural mosaic.

As such, the Museum is unique in America, where almost 40 million individuals claim Irish ancestry. It is committed to the basic tenet that preserving one's heritage is vital to providing a cultural and historical foundation to future generations of Americans.

Our museum in Albany, New York, provides year-round access, especially by school groups, to our exhibits, our Paul O'Dwyer Library, lectures, presentations, film screenings, book signings and other special programs.

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