

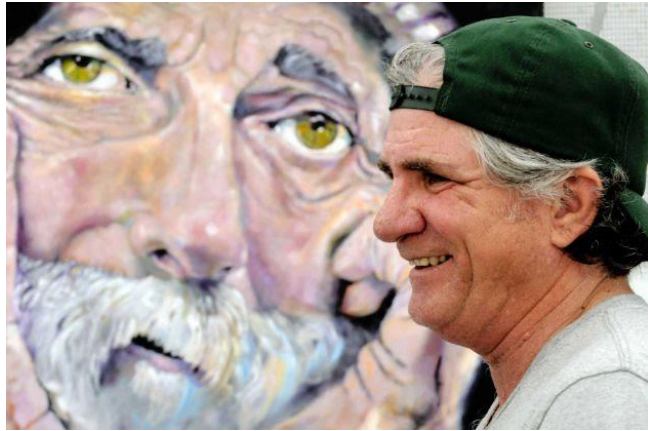
April 2015

Currently on Display

The Art of Kevin McKrell

Best known in the Capital District of New York as a musician, Celtic folk singer songwriter Kevin McKrell was a founding member of Celtic Folk Band Donnybrook Fair and the Celtic

Bluegrass Band The McKrells. He has performed across the United States, Canada, Ireland and Scotland at places like Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall and the Saratoga Performing Arts Center. His songs have



been performed all over the world by such groups as the Dublin City Ramblers, Woods Tea Company and Hair of the Dog. Kevin released his newest album in 2015: *I Wish I Had a Boat*.

Kevin is also an award winning painter and sculpture as well as partner and creative director of Celtic Attitudes Clothing Company. You will see a fantastic representation of Kevin's work in this show highlighting the people of Ireland in everyday settings. You may also spot a painting or two that reflects Kevin's background as a musician and the role the music plays in Irish culture.

Seanachie Eyes

**Stories of Spring Green, Fair Winds and Flowers
with Bairbre McCarthy and Frank Orsini**

Friday, April 10 at 7 PM

The Irish American Heritage Museum is pleased to re-introduce the tradition of the Seanachie, the traditional Irish Storyteller to downtown Albany. The Seanachie were



travelers, carrying stories and news between hamlets and families. For the price of a warm meal, they'd share stories of the old ones and lively tales of romance and blarney. There would be music, smiles, a bit of learning, and a bit of carrying on. In that spirit join us for, stories, fine fellowship, and fun.

Bairbre McCarthy is a seanchai (storyteller) and author from County Clare. She is noted for her knowledge of Irish mythology, folklore and language. Bairbre is the founder

of the children's program at Catskill Irish Arts Week, in East Durham, NY, and she is also a NYS certified teacher of English, French, and Gifted Students. She enjoys collaborations with other artists, particularly Frank Orsini, who is one of the most accomplished acoustic musicians in the Northeast, playing violin, viola, mandolin and Celtic harp.

Cost- \$5 for Museum members

\$10 for non Museum members

\$25 for a family four pack.

Irish-Americas 'Indispensable' Contribution to Ireland's 1916 Revolution

Presented by Dr. Ruan O'Donnell

Wednesday, April 22 at 7 PM

Join the Irish American Heritage Museum and the Ancient Order of Hibernians for an interesting look into the role that Irish Americans played in the events of the Easter Rising 1916 in Ireland.



Dr. O'Donnell is a Senior Lecturer in History at the University of Limerick. A former Visiting Chair of Irish Studies at the Keough-Naughton Institute, Notre Dame (2010-11), he is the author of numerous publications on the history of Irish republicanism including *Special Category*, *The IRA in English Prisons, 1968-1978*. O'Donnell is the founding co-general editor of the acclaimed '16 Lives' series in which new biographies of all those executed for engagement in the 1916 Rising are being published by O'Brien Press. He is a member of the all-Ireland Universities Ireland Decade of Centenaries Committee, National Union of Journalists and the Irish Manuscripts Commission.

Volume Two of 'Special Category' covering the period 1978-1985 will be published in spring 2015 followed by O'Donnell's biography of Patrick Pearse.

This program is free and open to the public. Street parking is free after 6PM. Please do not park in the lots behind the Museum

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.

April 10 - Stories of Spring Green, Fair winds and Flowers- 7PM- Irish American Heritage Museum 370 Broadway Albany, NY 12207

April 12 - AOH all you can eat breakfast- CDIAA- 375 Ontario St. Albany, NY

April 22- "Irish-America's 'Indispensable' contribution to Ireland's 1916 Revolution- Dr. Ruan O'Donnell- 7PM- Irish American Heritage Museum 370 Broadway Albany, NY 12207

April 24 - The Wind that Shakes the Barley
Monthly Movie Night Sponsored by Energy Insurance Brokers- 7PM- Irish American Heritage Museum 370 Broadway

Albany, NY 12207

April 26 - AOH JFK Division #1 Communion Breakfast- Schenectady, NY AOH Hall

April 29 - Open Genealogy Consultation 11:00am- Irish American Heritage Museum 370 Broadway Albany, NY 12207

April 29- Introduction to Gaelic Football- 7PM- CDIAA- 375 Ontario St. Albany, 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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