

**Jan.  
2016**

## **Seanachie Evenings January 8, 7PM**

The 2016 Season of Seanachie Evenings opens on January 8th at 7PM with Stories to Warm an Irish Winter featuring the storytelling of Claire Nolan and Nancy Marie Payne



As a teacher of English as a Second Language, Claire Nolan tells stories, many of them true, to international students and immigrants. She has most recently been telling tales at the Emma Treadwell Thacher Nature Center in Berne. Claire can also be seen in area middle schools, high schools and colleges telling the story of Mary Harris Jones (Mother Jones) through the Schenectady Theater for Children Great Minds Series.



With over 40 years teaching experience and over 12 years as a professional storyteller, Nancy Marie Payne specializes in researching and creating commissioned historical pieces. She also enjoys sharing stories from life, fairy tales, stories of strong women, legends and humorous stories.

Nancy has performed and led workshops in schools, libraries, historical societies, museums and storytelling and writing conferences including Albany's First Night, Story Sundays at the Glen Sanders Mansion, Word Plays at Proctors, the Clearwater Festival, and Underground Railroad conferences.

She has been involved in both the production and performance sides of Riverway Storytelling Festival and Tellabitations, yearly venues for storytellers in Albany, NY. Admission cost is as follows: for Members of IAHM \$5/person \$12/Family; Non Members \$10/person, \$25 family- Reservations suggested please call [\(518\) 427-1916](tel:5184271916). This series will bring some of the finest story tellers from all over the Northeast to the Irish American Heritage Museum! Seanachie Eves at the Irish American Heritage Museum is sponsored by Berkshire Bank.

## **Cooking Irish:How to Make Irish Soda Bread presented by Pat Hale January 26, 6PM**

The Irish American Heritage Museum, with the support of the Irish government, is having a year-long Cooking Irish project in 2016 that focuses on the preservation of Irish culture, heritage, and identity through food. This series will kick off on January 26 with Museum Trustee

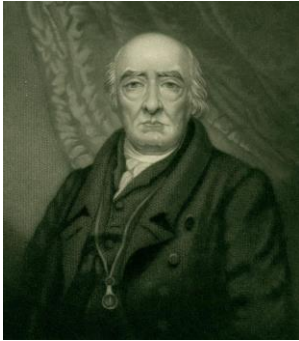
Pat Hale teaching a class on how to make Irish Soda Bread. This class will take place at the Capital District Irish American Association located at 375 Ontario St. Albany, NY.

Come learn how to make traditional Irish Soda Bread and learn more about the Museum's 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Maureen Farrell McCarthy Irish Soda Bread Competition, which will be held on March 5!

Registration is \$10 per person and just call the Museum for your reservation, [518-427-1916](tel:5184271916). Happy Baking!



## **Republican Elegies: Thomas Addis Emmet and the Narrative of the Dead January 28, 7PM**



Recently retired after a long teaching career at Fordham University, St. Francis College in Brooklyn and several northeastern prep schools, Mr. Bo Smith has spent two decades researching Thomas Addis Emmet and the other exiled United Irishmen of early 19th-Century New York. He has presented papers on Emmet's inspiring embodiment of Irish republicanism in the Jeffersonian republic for the American Conference for Irish Studies, The American Historical Association, The Columbia University Irish Studies Seminar, The New York Biographical & Genealogical Society and at Saint Paul's Chapel as part of the city's bicentennial commemoration of the 1798 Uprising in Ireland. Mr. Smith will address what Emmet's extraordinary funeral in 1827, eulogies and historical treatment reveal about the rapid transformation of ideology and identity in the United States over the two centuries since his arrival.

### **Currently on Display**

## **Dublin Town: The Photography of Dominique Beyens**

Dominique Beyens is an award winning photographer who combines his practice as a painter and his interest with old printing techniques to produce unique Fine Art Prints .

The use of medium and large format photography combined with alternative printing processes on age old proven natural art materials gives his work a dimension that is best experienced in person rather than the digital medium.

He recently won the prestigious RDS " Freyer " Art Award, overseen by judges from the RDS, National Gallery of Ireland, Royal Hibernian Academy and the Irish Museum of Modern Art (IMMA).



## **CALENDAR**

**Note : For events at the [Museum](#), free street parking after 5 PM on weekdays and all day on weekends. Please do not park in the private lots behind the Museum.**

January 8, 7-9 pm -- Seanachie Evenings. Irish American Heritage Museum. 370 Broadway Albany, NY 12207.

January 17, 7-9 pm -- Hair of the Dog Concert to benefit Albany St. Patrick's Day Parade. \$10. Capital District Irish American Association. 375 Ontario St. Albany, NY.

January 26- Cooking Irish Class. How to Make Irish Soda Bread Capital District Irish American Association. 375 Ontario St. Albany, NY.

January 27, 11-2 pm -- Open Genealogy Session. Irish American Heritage Museum. 370 Broadway Albany, NY 12207.

January 28, 7 pm -- Republican Elegies: Thomas Addis Emmet and the Narrative of the Dead. Irish American Heritage Museum. 370 Broadway Albany, NY 12207.

January 30 -- Robert Burns Dinner. \$40. Celtic Hall. 430 New Karner Rd. Albany, NY 12205.

## 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.

To contact us, email [here](#) or call [518-427-1916](tel:518-427-1916).