

Coolock Library, Barryscourt Road.  
Wednesday 15th and Wednesday  
29th April at 6pm  
Admission free. Booking not  
necessary. Tel: 01 8477781

County Library, Tallaght  
Wednesday 15th, Wednesday  
22nd and Wednesday  
29th April at 12:30pm  
Admission free. Booking  
advisable. Tel: 01 4620073  
Email: talib@sdublincoco.ie

Donaghmede Library,  
Donaghmede Shopping Centre,  
Grange Road  
Thursday 16th and Thursday  
23rd April at 6pm  
Admission free. Booking  
essential. Tel: 01 8482833  
Email:  
donaghmedelibrary@dublincity.ie

Pearse St. Library,  
138-144 Pearse St.  
Thursday 23rd and Thursday  
30th April at 6pm  
Admission free. Booking not  
necessary. Tel: 01 6744888

Raheny Library, Howth Road  
Thursday 2nd April at 5:30pm  
Admission free. Booking  
essential. Tel: 01 8315521  
Email: rahenylibrary@dublincity.ie

Walkinstown Library,  
Percy French Road  
Monday 13th and Monday  
27th April at 6pm  
Admission free. Booking not  
necessary. Tel: 01 4558159

## TAISPEÁNTAIS/ EXHIBITIONS

*Those Were the Days* - the days  
of disco, urban decay and leg-  
warmers, unforgettable World Cup  
fever and Eurovision highs and  
lows. Take a virtual walk down this  
particular memory lane by visiting  
[www.dublincitypubliclibraries.com](http://www.dublincitypubliclibraries.com).  
See images of Dublin in the  
1980s taken from the Dublin City  
Council Photographic Collection.

*Where Were You?* a photographic  
exhibition from Garry O'Neill's  
book of the same title, celebrating  
the youth culture, street style and  
teen life of Dublin in the 80s and  
90s. Library opening hours apply.

**Monday 23rd to Saturday 28th  
March** at **Balbriggan Library**,  
George's Square, Balbriggan

**Monday 30th March to Thursday  
2nd April** at **Swords Library**,  
Rathbeale Road, Swords

**Monday 13th to Friday 17th April**  
at **Blanchardstown Library**, Civic  
Centre, Blanchardstown Centre

**Monday 20th to Saturday 25th  
April** at **Rush Library**, Chapel  
Green, Rush

**Monday 27th April to Friday  
1st May** at **Baldoyle Library**,  
Strand Road, Baldoyle

## CAINTEANNA/ TALKS

*Start Up, Start Here* - Dublin City  
Libraries supporting business  
in the community. Dublin City  
Libraries, in association with the  
Local Enterprise Office, will hold a  
series of free lectures, designed to  
empower potential entrepreneurs,  
such as Jimmy Rabbitte, from  
**April 2nd – May 7th** and  
**September 10th – Oct 15th**,  
in the **Central Library**, Ilac  
Shopping Centre, Henry St.  
**Further information: Business  
Information Centre, Central  
Library. Tel: 01 8733996 or Email:  
businesslibrary@dublincity.ie.**

## LÉAMHA/ READINGS

Visit the **National Library of  
Ireland** for public readings from  
*The Barrytown Trilogy* during the  
month of April. See [www.nli.ie](http://www.nli.ie)  
for details.

## CEARDLANN/ WORKSHOPS

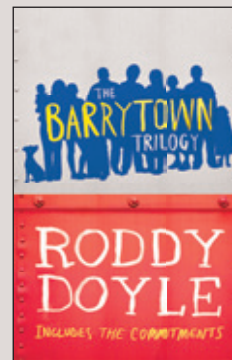
**Saturday 18th and Saturday  
25th April 3:30-5pm**  
*The Real Deal*: A two-day creative  
writing workshop for teenagers  
15-18 yrs with Dave Lordan.  
**Central Library**, Ilac Centre,  
Henry St. **Admission free.**  
**Booking essential.**  
**Tel: 01 8734333**  
**Email: centrallibrary@dublincity.ie**

## PODCHRAOLADH /PODCASTS

UCD Scholarcast has produced  
podcasts especially for Dublin:  
One City, One Book which offer  
reflections on each of the novels  
that make up *The Barrytown  
Trilogy*. The series is edited  
and introduced by Derek Hand;  
Kevin Power speaks on *The  
Commitments*; Louise Callinan  
considers *The Snapper*; and Paula  
Murphy talks about *The Van*.  
**Log on to [www.ucd.ie/scholarcast](http://www.ucd.ie/scholarcast)  
to listen to  
the series.**

**'Brilliant...it  
pushes Irish  
English to  
wonderful  
imaginative  
extremes'**

Tom Paulin on  
*The Commitments*



## ABOUT THE BOOK

Here, in one volume, are Roddy  
Doyle's three acclaimed novels  
about the Rabbitte family  
from Barrytown, Dublin. In  
them we follow the rapid rise of  
Jimmy Rabbitte's soul band, The  
Commitments, and their equally  
rapid fall; Sharon Rabbitte's  
attempts to keep the identity of her  
unborn child's father a secret, amid  
intense speculation from her family  
and friends; and the fortunes of  
the travelling fish 'n' chips van that  
Jimmy Rabbitte Snr. and his friend  
Bimbo open for the good people  
of Barrytown.

**'An absurd comedy of the  
commonplace...a charming,  
truthful and immensely funny  
story which leaves you gasping  
for more'**  
*Sunday Times* on  
*The Commitments*

**'While recognising that we have all  
sat po-faced through novels which  
other people have assured us  
were hilarious...all I can say is that  
*The Snapper* creased me up'**  
Jonathan Coe on *The Snapper*

**'A novel which is often  
hilarious, always enthralling  
and - this really is the case -  
unputdownable'**  
*Sunday Times* on *The Van*



## LORD MAYOR'S MESSAGE

2015 is the 10th year of the  
Dublin: One City, One Book  
Festival and in that time it  
has succeeded in capturing  
the imagination of not only  
Dubliners, but also readers  
worldwide.

In this year's choice, Roddy  
Doyle's *The Barrytown Trilogy*,  
you can join the Rabbitte family  
from Dublin's Northside as  
Jimmy Jnr. spreads the gospel  
of soul, Sharon keeps the  
gossips guessing and Italia 90 is  
the inspiration for Jimmy Snr.'s  
business venture.

From soul music to football,  
from examination of 'bad'  
language and Dublin humour  
to talks and films, there is  
an event for everyone and I  
wholeheartedly encourage  
you to discover 1980s Dublin  
this April by taking part in the  
Dublin: One City One Book  
Festival at a wide range of  
venues including The Mansion  
House, public libraries, Vicar  
Street and the Aviva Stadium.

Bainígi taitneamh as clár  
inspéise na bliana seo



## DUBLIN: ONE CITY, ONE BOOK

Dublin: One City, One Book is  
an award-winning Dublin City  
Council initiative, led by Dublin  
City Libraries, which encourages  
everyone to read a particular  
book connected with the capital  
city during the month of April  
every year. Bain sult as an  
leabhair *The Barrytown Trilogy*  
agus glac páirt i roinnt de na  
himeachtaí éagsúla a bheidh ar  
siúl ar fud na cathrach.

Borrow *The Barrytown Trilogy*  
from any branch of Dublin  
City, Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown,  
Fingal, South Dublin Libraries  
or buy it from your favourite  
bookshop.

Thanks to our partners  
VINTAGE and DublinTown and  
especially to all the organisations,  
venues, speakers and performers  
involved in this year's programme.



[www.dublinonecityonebook.ie](http://www.dublinonecityonebook.ie)

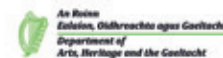


# DUBLIN: ONE CITY, ONE BOOK

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# RODDY DOYLE



# CLÁR/PROGRAMME 2015

## Monday 30th March until Saturday 18th April

*Are You Havin' a Laugh?* Dublin humour, does it really exist or is it a joke? by Peter Sheridan.

**Bewley's Cafe Theatre @ Powerscourt (new location), Lunchtime theatre is now presented at Powerscourt Theatre,** Top Floor, Powerscourt

Townhouse, South William St. Mon-Sat at 1pm (doors open at 12.50pm) **Tickets: Mondays €8, Tues – Thurs €10, Fri – Sat €12. Light lunch available €4.**

**Booking: 086 8784001 www.bewleyscafe theatre.com**

## Tuesday 31st March at 6:45pm

Pete Holidai, member of Trouble Pilgrims, songwriter and producer, looks at the development of the Irish music industry in the '80s and '90s.

**Swords Library,** Rathbeale Road, Swords. **Admission free.**

**Booking essential.**

**Tel: 01 8905582**

## Thursday 2nd April at 7:30pm

*Barrytown Trilogy* Book Crawl with the Irish Writers Centre and Five Lamps Festival. See Roddy Doyle's words come to life with a pint in hand! Page-hopping and bar-hopping with Barrytown film actors and others for this literary pub crawl starting at **The Black Sheep,** 61 Capel St. and ends at The Liquor Rooms, Wellington Quay. **Tickets €5. Info and booking: www.irishwriterscentre.ie**

**Thursday 2nd April at 10pm**

*Soul and Motown Music.* Live music with Higher Ground. **The Liquor Rooms,** 7 Wellington Quay. **Admission free.**

## Monday 6th April at 11:05pm

*The Barrytown Trilogy* read by Roddy Doyle. The Book on One, **RTÉ Radio 1** starting tonight and running each weekday in April. Produced by Round Robin Media.

## Wednesday 8th April at 6:30pm

*Life, the Universe and a Couple of Books.* Roddy Doyle in conversation with author Catherine Dunne. **RDS Library,** Ballsbridge.

**Admission free. Booking essential. Tel: 01 2407254 Email: librarydesk@rds.ie. Book online at www.rds.ie/speakerseries**

## Thursday 9th April at 6pm

Actor Jim Roche reads extracts from *The Barrytown Trilogy* by Roddy Doyle, accompanied by a classical pianist. Following this, enjoy a screening of *The Commitments* in a private cinema at 8pm. **Tickets for the reading are free, however booking is essential.** Tickets for the cinema plus refreshments are **€14 pp.**

**To book either event Email: katekirby@brookshotel.ie or Tel: 01 6704000.** Seats are limited.

**Brooks Hotel, Drury St.**

**www.brookshotel.ie**

## Sunday 12th April at 8pm

*Barrytown meets MusicTown:* a musical and literary celebration of Roddy Doyle's *The Barrytown Trilogy* with Colm Meaney, Imelda May, Aidan Gillen, Glen Hansard, Damien Dempsey, Aslan, Peter Coonan and many more guests. **Vicar Street,** 58-59 Thomas St. **Tickets €30 (plus service charge) from www.ticketmaster.ie**

## Monday 13th April at 6:30pm

Roddy Doyle and James Joyce: *The intimacies of urban and suburban Dublin,* a talk by Dr Derek Hand (DCU). **The James Joyce Centre,** 35 North Great George's St. **Admission free. Booking essential. Tel: 01 8788547 www.jamesjoyce.ie**

## Tuesday 14th April at 10:30am

Roddy Doyle in conversation with RTÉ's Evelyn O'Rourke. **Beit Wing, National Gallery,** Clare St. **Admission free. Booking not necessary.**

## Tuesday 14th April at 6:30pm

*Am I a Dubliner?* In search of difference and authenticity. An exploration of what it means to be a Dubliner. Has this changed from the 1980s? A talk by Tom Inglis, (UCD).

**The Oak Room, The Mansion House,** Dawson St.

**Admission free. Booking essential www.entertainment.ie**

## Tuesday 14th April at 6:45pm

Pete Holidai, member of Trouble Pilgrims, songwriter and producer, looks at the development of the Irish music industry in the '80s and '90s.

**Blanchardstown Library,** Civic Centre, Blanchardstown Centre.

**Admission free. Booking essential. Tel: 01 8905563**

## Wednesday 15th April at 1pm

*Mustang Sally Strikes Again* – music from *The Commitments* performed by Bob McQuaid of 'The Voice of Ireland' fame.

**Central Library,** Ilac Centre, Henry St. **Admission free. Booking essential. Tel: 01 8734333**

**Email: musiclibrary@dublincity.ie**

## Wednesday 15th April at 1pm

Pete Holidai, member of Trouble Pilgrims, songwriter and producer, looks at the development of the Irish music industry in the '80s and '90s.

**Balbriggan Library,** George's Square, Balbriggan.

**Admission free. Booking essential. Tel: 01 8704401**

## Wednesday 15th April at 6:45pm

Author Donal Fallon examines the historical context and backdrop to Roddy Doyle's *A Star Called Henry* and *The Commitments*.

**Blanchardstown Library,** Civic Centre, Blanchardstown Centre.

**Admission free. Booking essential. Tel: 01 8905563**

## Thursday 16th April 1-2pm

Talk by Garrett Fagan followed by guided viewing of a selection of Roddy Doyle's manuscripts in the National Library. **National Library,** 2/3 Kildare St. (WWI Exhibition Space). **Admission free.**

**Booking essential as numbers are limited. Email: roddydoyle-april16@mail.com**

## Thursday 16th April at 7pm

*Remembering Italia '90.* Reminisce about the glory days of 1990 when the whole country, like the characters in *The Van*, went football mad. **1872 Room, Aviva Stadium,** Ballsbridge. **Tickets €5. Booking essential at www.entertainment.ie from 9am on 31st March.**

## Thursday 16th April at 7pm

*Hidden Dublin with Karl Whitney.* Karl Whitney, author of *Hidden City: Adventures and Explorations in Dublin*, highlights the easily overlooked marginal zones and dark corners of this much visited and deeply mythologised capital city.

**dlr Lexlcon,** The Studio, Dún Laoghaire. **Admission free.**

**Booking not necessary.**

## Thursday 16th April at 7:30pm

*Mia Gallagher and Bronagh Gallagher on The Barrytown Trilogy.* The Centre Culturel Irlandais extends the experience of One City One Book to Paris. Writer-in-residence Mia Gallagher in conversation with actor and singer Bronagh Gallagher (*The Commitments*) talk about the way in which Roddy Doyle's trilogy looks at Irish society of the 1980s.

**Centre Culturel Irlandais,** 5 rue des Irlandais 75005 Paris **www.centreculturelirlandais.com**

## Friday 17th April 1-2pm

Talk by Garrett Fagan followed by guided viewing of a selection of Roddy Doyle's manuscripts in the National Library. **National Library,** 2/3 Kildare St. (WWI Exhibition Space). **Admission free.**

**Booking essential. Email: roddydoyle-april17@mail.com**

## Friday 17th April at 7:30pm

*Concert with The Bronagh Gallagher Band.* The Bronagh Gallagher Band pays homage to the sound and essence of the music of the '60s and early '70s, just as *The Commitments* did.

**Centre Culturel Irlandais,** 5 rue des Irlandais 75005 Paris **www.centreculturelirlandais.com**

## Saturday 18th April at 8pm

LINGO Festival presents *'What's the story bud?'*. A night of spoken word and soul music based on *The Barrytown Trilogy* with Roddy Doyle, John Cummins, Jess Kav and The Brown Bread Players.

**The Workman's Club,** 10 Wellington Quay.

**Tickets €5 at the door.**

## Monday 20th April at 6:30pm

*Mind Your \*\*\*\* Language!*

Chris Morash (TCD) and Sean Rocks (RTÉ Arena) have fun discussing how language has evolved and why some words are regarded as swear words.

**The Oak Room, The Mansion House,** Dawson St. **Admission free. Booking essential at www.entertainment.ie**

## Tuesday 21st April at 1pm

*Understanding and managing stress* – techniques for managing stress for life's difficult moments as illustrated in *The Snapper* and *The Van*.

**Central Library,** Ilac Centre, Henry St. **Admission free. Booking essential. Tel: 01 8734333**

**Email: centrallibrary@dublincity.ie**

## Tuesday 21st April at 6:30pm

Join Roddy Doyle and Lynda Myles, producer of *The Commitments*, *The Snapper* and *The Van*, in an **illustrated conversation** with Doireann Ní Bhriain as they discuss the process of bringing *The Barrytown Trilogy* from page to screen **IFI,** 6 Eustace St., Temple Bar. **Tickets €9 (concessions available). Booking essential. Tel: 01 6793477 or online at www.ifi.ie**

## Tuesday 21st April at 8:30pm

*The City of a Thousand Bands – '80s Dublin On Mature Recollection.* Chair: Niall Stokes (Hot Press) with Dave Fanning (RTÉ 2fm), Eamon Carr (Horslips), Leslie Dowdall (In Tua Nua) and Jerry Fish. Four leading Dublin lights – some of whom feature in Roddy Doyle's hilarious debut – will offer fresh perspectives on the time, the place, the music and the book.

**The Cellar Room, The Church Cafe and Bar,** junction Mary St & Jervis St. **Limited capacity! Apply for free tickets at www.hotpress.com/tickets**

## Wednesday 22nd April at 1pm

*Are You Havin' a Laugh?* Join one of Dublin's best loved writers and playwrights Peter Sheridan for a luncheon show celebrating Dublin storytelling and wit.

**dlr Lexlcon,** The Studio, Dún Laoghaire. **Admission €5, tickets at door.**

## Wednesday 22nd April at 6:45pm

Pete Holidai, member of Trouble Pilgrims, songwriter and producer, looks at the development of the Irish music industry in the '80s and '90s.

**Rush Library,** Chapel Green, Rush. **Admission free. Booking essential. Tel: 01 8708414**

## Thursday 23rd April 8-9:30pm

*Barrytown Sounds with Colm Keegan,* dlr Writer in Residence, and friends. Join a motley crew of poets, musicians and writers who will read and perform their own work as well as favourite passages from Roddy Doyle's *Barrytown Trilogy*.

**dlr Lexlcon,** The Studio, Dún Laoghaire. **Admission €5, tickets at door.**

## Sunday 26th April at 11am

The Five Lamps Arts Festival will take you on a tour of d'Northside, made famous by Roddy Doyle in his *Barrytown Trilogy*. Listen to readings and songs on this very special and unique bus tour.

**Beresford Place. Admission €10. Booking essential. Tel: 087 9737401**

## Monday 27th April at 6:30pm

*Barrytown speaks Italian* with Giuliana Zeuli, the translator of Roddy Doyle's books. You start with a fine piece of work, perfectly formed and finished. And you want to end up exactly where you started from. Easy? Maybe, if you speak the same language. **The National Library,** Kildare St. **Admission free. Booking not necessary.**

## Monday 27th April at 6:45pm

Author Donal Fallon examines the historical context and backdrop to Roddy Doyle's *A Star Called Henry* and *The Commitments*.

**Baldoyle Library,** Strand Road, Baldoyle. **Admission free.**

**Booking essential. Tel: 01 8906793**

## Tuesday 28th April at 6:45pm

Pete Holidai, member of Trouble Pilgrims, songwriter and producer, looks at the development of the Irish music industry in the '80s and '90s.

**Baldoyle Library,** Strand Road, Baldoyle. **Admission free. Booking essential. Tel: 01 8906793**

## Tuesday 28th April at 7pm

*Are You Havin' a Laugh?* Join one of Dublin's best loved writers and playwrights Peter Sheridan for an evening celebrating Dublin storytelling and wit.

**dlr Lexlcon,** The Studio, Dún Laoghaire. **Admission €5, tickets at door.**

## Wednesday 29th April at 6:45pm

Pete Holidai, member of Trouble Pilgrims, songwriter and producer, looks at the development of the Irish music industry in the '80s and '90s.

**Malahide Library,** The Mall, Malahide. **Admission free. Booking essential. Tel: 01 8704430**

## Thursday 30th April 6-9pm

*Feast of Epiphanyes:* A Literary Salon with Roddy Doyle, Oona Frawley and Kevin Power. A very special evening discussing the theme 'Writing Modern Ireland'.

Inspired by the *salonnières* of old, participants will enjoy a three course tasting menu whilst engaging with the ideas generated by the authors in a truly intimate setting.

**The James Joyce Centre,** 35 North Great George's St. **Tickets €25. Booking essential as places are limited. Tel: 01 8788547 www.jamesjoyce.ie**

## Thursday 30th April at 8pm

*Are You Havin' a Laugh?* Dublin humour, does it really exist or is it a joke? Join one of Dublin's best loved writers and playwrights Peter Sheridan for an evening celebrating Dublin storytelling and wit.

**Axis Theatre,** Ballymun. **Admission €10/€8/€5. Booking essential. Tel: 01 8832100**

## Thursday 30th April at 9pm

*Duvet - the Best of Soul and Funk,* featuring Felim Gormley of The Commitments on sax.

**The Church Bar,** Mary St. **Admission free. Booking not necessary.**

## Thursday 30th April at 9pm

**Charleville Mall Library,** North Strand. **Wednesday 22nd and Wednesday 29th April at 10:45am** **Admission free. Booking not necessary. Tel: 01 8749619**

## SCANNÁN/ FILMS

Visit your local library for screenings of films based on *The Barrytown Trilogy*.

**Ballyfermot Library,** Ballyfermot Road.

**Tuesday 21st and Tuesday 28th April at 6pm**

**Admission free. Booking not necessary. Tel: 01 6269324**

**Central Library,** Ilac Centre, Henry St.

**Wednesday 8th and Tuesday 14th April at 1pm**

**Admission free. Booking not necessary. Tel: 01 8734333**

**Charleville Mall Library,** North Strand.

**Wednesday 22nd and Wednesday 29th April at 10:45am**

**Admission free. Booking not necessary. Tel: 01 8749619**