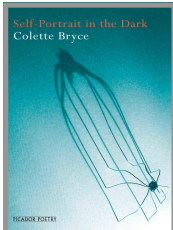




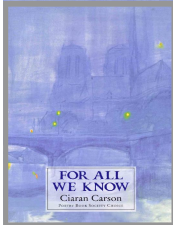
Irish Times Poetry Now Award 2009 Shortlist Announced



The Irish Times Poetry Now Award is presented annually to the author of the best single volume of poems published by an Irish poet in the previous year.

The shortlist for the Irish Times Poetry Now Award 2009 is:

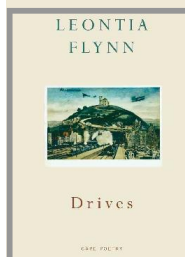
- Colette Bryce: *Self-Portrait in the Dark* (Picador Poetry)
- Ciaran Carson: *For All We Know* (Gallery Books)
- Leontia Flynn: *Drives* (Cape Poetry)
- Pearse Hutchinson: *At Least For A While* (Gallery Books)
- Derek Mahon: *Life on Earth* (Gallery Books)



Colette Bryce was born in Derry in 1970 and emigrated to England when she was eighteen. She has lived in London, Spain and Scotland and is currently based in Newcastle upon Tyne where she works as a freelance writer and editor.

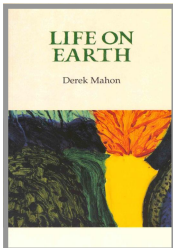
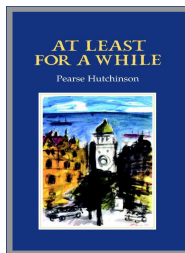
Ciaran Carson was born in Belfast where he is Professor of Poetry and Director of the Seamus Heaney Centre at Queen's University. Two of his collections have been Choices of the Poetry Book Society, including *For All We Know*. A new collection, *On the Night Watch*, will be published in April.

Leontia Flynn was born in 1974 and lives in Belfast. Her first book, *These Days*, won the Forward Prize for Best First Collection. She is currently a post-doctoral research fellow at the Seamus Heaney Centre for Poetry at Queen's University.



Pearse Hutchinson lives in Dublin and is co-editor of *Cyphers* and a member of *Aosdána*. Books from Gallery Books include *Watching the Morning Grow*, *Climbing the Light*, *The Soul that Kissed the Body*, *Barnsley Main Seam*, *Collected Poems* and *Done Into English*.

Derek Mahon received the David Cohen Prize for Literature in 2007. Publications from Gallery Books include *The Hudson Letter* (1995), *The Yellow Book* (1997), *Harbour Lights* (Winner of the Irish Times Poetry Now Award 2006), *Adaptations* (2006) and *Life on Earth* (2008). His *Collected Poems* appeared in 1999.



The winner will be announced at the DLR Poetry Now Festival 2009. Previous winners have included Harry Clifton, Seamus Heaney, Derek Mahon and Dorothy Molloy. The prize-winner will receive €5,000. The judges for the Irish Times Poetry Now Award 2009 are Kit Fryatt, Sean O'Brien and Joe Woods.

For more information please contact: Carolyn Brown, Producer DLR Poetry Now cbrown@dlrcoco.ie or (00 353 1) 271 9532



DLR Library Services Writer in Residence Paul Perry reflects on his role so far

In the last three months, my role as DLR Library Services Writer in Residence has brought me from Dundrum to Deansgrange and out to Dalkey. My brief: I'm here to help anyone in the DLR Library Services' community with their creative writing.

The focal point of my residency so far has been an open-workshop which meets in Deansgrange library. I post a series of exercises for poets and fiction writers on a blog, <http://www.theorchidkeeper.blogspot.com>. Then we email each other with the work we have written. This gives us a chance to reflect on the poems and stories before we meet to discuss them.

In fact, what I respect about the DLR Library Service's initiative is that by employing me as a Writer in Residence, their first, they are not only adding a service to their growing array of services, including podcasts, readings, book clubs, theatre groups, and festivals, but they are also allowing me to develop as a writer. In other words, they have given me the space and time to write.

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Double Trio: A new work by composer Ian Wilson

Further information on Double Trio and the 'Place & Identity' programme is available from: Ciara King, Public Art Programme Administrator, E: cking@dlrcoco.ie

Date: Saturday 4th April 2009 **Time:** 1.00pm **Location:** Marlay Park House, Rathfarnham **Tickets:** Free

Date: Saturday 4th April 2009 **Time:** 8.00pm **Location:** Kiltiernan Church of Ireland Parish Church **Tickets:** Free
Tickets may be booked through the Arts Office at T: 01-271 9530, booking is essential.

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council is delighted to present Double Trio, a new work by composer Ian Wilson.

Double Trio was written during the summer and autumn of 2008 as the main focus of a one-year residency in the Glencullen area of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County. Double Trio is written for three improvisers – playing saxophone, double bass and drums – and three classical musicians – playing violin, vibraphone and harp – and takes its initial inspiration from speech rhythms and melodies. The musicians are Cathal Roche, saxophonist, Daniel Bodwell, bass and Stu Ritchie, drums alongside Mia Cooper, violin, Cliona Doris, harp and Richard O'Donnell, vibraphone. Double Trio lasts approximately 45 minutes and is in eight main sections.

Double Trio is part of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council's 'Place and Identity' programme of Per Cent for Art commissions funded through the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government.



DLR Poetry Now International Poetry Festival

Booking: (01) 231 2929 Information and brochure: (01) 271 9531 Web: www.poetrynow.ie

Date: Thurs 26th March to Sunday 29th March 2009 **Festival Ticket:** €85 / €60 / €50 **Location:** Pavilion Theatre, Dún Laoghaire

Now in its 14th year, DLR Poetry Now has grown into Ireland's biggest and best-loved festival of poetry, and this year it once more brings together poets of many nationalities and many styles, for what promises to be a lively and inspiring four days. Workshops, talks, debates and The Irish Times Poetry Now and The Rupert and Eithne Strong Awards will complement the programme of readings by a gathering of exceptional Irish and international poets, kickstarted by a keynote address from the former US Poet Laureate, Robert Pinsky.

DLR Poetry Now is funded by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council and the Arts Council, supported by the Irish Times and produced by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council.

DLR Poetry Now Opening Talk by Belinda McKeon, DLR Poetry Now Curator

Date: Thursday 26th March **Time:** 1.00pm **Free Event**

DLR Poetry Now Keynote Address by Robert Pinsky: The Fate of the Modern

Date: Thursday 26th March **Time:** 8.30pm **Tickets:** €18 / €14 / €12

The former US Poet Laureate presents the Keynote Address of DLR Poetry Now.

Panel Discussion with Chris Agee, Eva Bourke, Harry Clifton and chaired by Belinda McKeon

Date: Friday 27th March **Time:** 1.30pm **Free Event**

Contemporary Irish Poetry: Between Old and New Worlds

Sujata Bhatt, Paddy Bushe and Paul Bachelor

Date: Fri 27th March **Time:** 6.30pm **Tickets:** €14 / €10 / €8

Harry Clifton and Tomas Venclova

Date: Friday 27th March **Time:** 8.30pm **Tickets:** €20/15/12

Writing Workshops with Colette Bryce and Frank Bidart

Date: Saturday 28th March **Time:** 10.30am **Tickets:** €25 / €20
By Application: (01) 271 9532 or cbrown@dlrcoco.ie

The Irish Times Poetry Now Award Announcement

Date: Saturday 28th March **Time:** 2.00pm **Free Event**

Seamus Heaney Birthday Tribute

Date: Saturday 28th March **Time:** 3.30pm **Tickets:** €20 / €15 / €12
Hear the poets of DLR Poetry Now 2009 read for Seamus Heaney to celebrate his 70th birthday

Ian Duhig, Ellen Hinsey and Valzhyna Mort

Date: Saturday 28th March **Time:** 6.30pm **Tickets:** €14 / €10 / €8

Frank Bidart, Tomáš Šalamun and Eiléan Ní Chuilleánáin

Date: Saturday 28th March **Time:** 8.30pm **Tickets:** €20 / €15 / €12

The Strong Reading and Award featuring short-listed poets Ciaran Berry, Patrick Cotter, Áine Moynihan and Simon Ó Faoláin

Date: Sunday 29th March **Time:** 12.00pm **Tickets:** €7 / €5

Colette Bryce, Adam Foulds & Carol Ann Duffy

Date: Sunday 29th March **Time:** 4.00pm **Tickets:** €10 / €8

DLR 'Place & Identity' Programme presents the World Première of:

Léiríonn Clár 'Láthair agus Féiniúlacht' DLR An Chéad Taibhiú de:

Ian Wilson's Double Trio



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POETRY NOW 09

International Poetry Festival

Thursday 26th – Sunday 29th March 2009

Pavilion Theatre Box Office
Tel: (01) 231 2929 www.paviliontheatre.ie

Workshops and Festival Information
Tel: (01) 271 9531 www.poetrynow.ie



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Reverb An Exhibition of Youth Arts

Concourse, County Hall, Marine Road,
Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin.
(01) 2719528, email mdavey@dlrcoco.ie.

Date: Friday 27th February to Thursday 12th March **Time:** Monday to Friday 10.00am to 5.00pm **Location:** Concourse, County Hall, Marine Road, Dún Laoghaire

DLR Arts Office in partnership with DLR Community Development Section and Dundrum-Rathdown Youth Service are delighted to present Reverb; an exhibition of youth arts. Reverb, curated by Claire Behan is a celebration of the work of local young people from Dundrum-Rathdown Youth Service and aims to create awareness and understanding of local youth arts practice and process.

For further details phone (01) 2719528 or email mdavey@dlrcoco.ie

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Feb 27th - 11th Mar
Mon - Fri, 10am - 5pm
Free Admission

Concourse,
Marine Road
County Hall
Dún Laoghaire

For further details:
Phone (01) 2719528
www.dlrcoco.ie/arts



1 Albert Avenue, Bray, Co. Wicklow. Tel: 2762039
Email: infor@signalartscentre.ie

The Palimpsest of Home

Date: Tuesday 3rd March to Sunday 15th March A Multi-Media Exhibition by Angela Anderson tracing the idea of home and its meaning to her and others.

Faoi Bláth

Date: Wednesday 18th March to Sunday 29th March Photography Exhibition by Jane Talbot taking a fresh look at the everyday plants around us.



Jane Talbot

Light Shadows

Date: Tuesday 31st March to Sunday 12th April Photography Exhibition by Rachel Randall of the fragility and transience of human life through nature.



ACTIVE8 and on yer bike!

Contact: www.dlrevents.ie

Date: Sunday 8th March
Time: 1.00pm to 5.00pm
Location: Shanganagh Park, Shankill **FREE**
bicycle event for kids

Shanganagh Park in Shankill will be a hive of health and fitness with Active8, a free bicycle event to encourage children to get out and get fit. This afternoon of cycling events includes a cycle safety training and proficiency course with the cycle safety school, bicycle maintenance checks, and a cycle trail around the park. New for 2009 is the Unicycle workshops where kids can learn how to

unicycle and also new for 2009 is a Mountain Bike Skills Course from championship mountain bikers and International Mountain Bike leaders, Tarja Owens and Niall Davis. Unicycle entertainers along with the DLR events DJ and balloons will set the scene for an afternoon of bicycle fun and there are medals for all those who complete the trail. Full details are on www.dlrevents.ie.

The idea behind Active 8 is to build a habit of regular exercise in a safe environment for children and bring back the bike in anticipation of long bright spring and summer days! Like all DLR Events, Active8 is an initiative by Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council and is a family friendly event.



Bray & Dalkey

Web: www.southsidecomedy.com

PJ Gallagher & Neil Delamere

Location: Bray Comedy Club, The Martello, Bray Seafront **Date:** Wednesday 4th March 2009 **Time:** 9.00pm **Tickets:** €12

PJ Gallagher & Andrew Stanley

Location: Dalkey Comedy Club, The Queens, Dalkey **Date:** Thursday 5th March 2009 **Time:** 9.00pm **Tickets:** €12

Dalkey Castle & Heritage Centre

Tel.2858366 or Email

info@dalkeycastle.com.

www.dalkeycastle.com Opening times : Mon to Fri, 9.30am-5pm Sat, Sun, Public Hols, 11am - 5pm. Dalkey Castle & Heritage Centre is

Tickets: Adult €6, Conc €5, Child €4, Family €16

Living History Live Performances

Date: Monday to Sunday
Time: Every half hour 10.00am to 4.30pm Monday to Friday, 11.30am to 4.30pm Weekends & Public Holidays
An archer may accost you, a medieval cook may enlighten you, a barber sugeon may offer a quick tooth extration, chilling amputation or worse!



From on High

Date: Wednesday 11th March to Sunday 15th March
Exhibition showcasing the work of John Adams to lend a hand to The Zahra Helps Foundation. A portion of monies raised from the sale of paintings is kindly being donated to help fund a Residential Care Facility and Community Centre in the Central Highlands of Vietnam.



Dundrum Town Centre, Dundrum, Dublin 14.
Tel: 01 296 9340 Web: www.milltheatre.com.

Box Office open from Monday to Saturday, 10am to 6pm, and 7pm when there is an evening performance.

Theatre

The Good Father

Date: Friday 6th March & Saturday 7th March Time: 8.00pm
Tickets: €20 / €18

A random meeting at a New Year's Eve party leads to an unexpected pregnancy.

Dublin Drama Festival

Date: Sunday 8th March to Saturday 14th March Time: 8.00pm
Tickets: €15 / €12

How The Other Half Loves

Date: Tuesday 24th March to Saturday 28th March Time: 8.00pm
Tickets: €18 / €15

Three married couples in a play of love and laughter, meals and mayhem.

Red Roses And Petrol

Date: Tuesday 31st March to Saturday 4th April Time: 8.00pm
Tickets: €18 / €15 (concession Tues only)

It stimulates the head, the heart, and the laughter muscles alike.

Music

Seachtain Na Gaelige

Date: Sunday 15th March Time: 8.00pm Tickets: €20

This show is packed full of entertainment with fantastic Motown music nostalgia and laughter.

Legend of Luke Kelly

Date: Wednesday 18th March Time: 8.00pm Tickets: €18 / €16

An unforgettable tribute to the talent and music of one of our greatest folk artists is Chris Kavanagh.

Joe Dolan Tribute Band

Date: Friday 20th March Time: 8.00pm Tickets: €20 / €18

Hear all Joe's greatest hits in this fantastic show which pays homage to the great man.

Comedy

The Craic Pack

Date: Saturday 21st March Time: 8.00pm Tickets: €16 / €14

Seven directionless layabouts and who are we to disagree, but this night is fun and fun-filled.

Lunchtime Theatre

Evolution of Lauren Begaun

Date: Monday 2nd March to Saturday 7th March Time: 1.10pm

Tickets: €15 / €12

A powerful and evocative this one women show is not to be missed!



The Green Man

Erik Johanson

Exhibitions

Bean Town by Erik Johanson

Date: Saturday 21st February to Thursday 26th March 2009
Drawing from a background in classical animation and graphic design, Erik has sought to create an insight into his childhood impression of his birth-town, Boston.



Pavilion Theatre

Marine Road, Dun Laoghaire, Co.Dublin.
Tel: 353 1 231 2929 Fax: 353 1 663
6328 E: info@paviliontheatre.ie

Music

Kíla

Date: Wednesday 4th March Time: 8.00pm Tickets: €26

Ceiliúraigí Seachtain na Gaeilge 2009 i dteannta KÍLA ag ceolchoirm spreagúil san Pavilion.

Dickie Rock

Date: Thursday 5th March Time: 8.00pm Tickets: €28 / €25

Dickie Rock was one of the biggest stars of the Irish Showband era.

Pigalle! the enchanted story of Edith Piaf

Date: Thursday 19th March Time: 8.00pm Tickets: €26 / €21

Sprinkled with French café songs from Derby's debut album, Sweet Pea and romantic interludes from Parisian tea-shops.

The Neil Diamond Story – What a beautiful noise!

Date: Friday 20th March Time: 8.00pm Tickets: €21

Featuring Ireland country legend Brendan Quinn.

The Badke Quartet String Quartet

Date: Tuesday 31st March Time: 8.00pm Tickets: €17 / €15

Programme includes: Haydn, String Quartet In D, Op. 76, No. 5

Dance

Boxes

Date: Tuesday 24th March Time: 8.00pm

Tickets: €19 / €17

Cardboard boxes build an environment that sets off a chain of events when two factory workers start a day at work with a difference.



Theatre

Endgame

Date: Friday 6th March & Saturday 7th March Time: 8.00pm

Tickets: €23 / €20

A great night's theatre where comedy and tragedy are intermixed with great dramatic moments.

The Good Father

Date: Saturday 21st March Time: 8.00pm Tickets: €19 / €17

The Good Father is a love story of how two people starting at the end try to reach a new beginning.

Musical Theatre

Once Upon A Mattress

Date: Tuesday 10th March to Sunday 15th March Time: 8.00pm

Tickets: €20 / €18

A musical fairy tale in which Queen Aggravain sabotages the efforts of every young Princess who hopes to marry her son, Prince Dauntless.

DLR Poetry Now 2009 International Poetry Festival

Date: Thursday 26th March to Sunday 29th March Festival

Tickets: €35 / €60 / €50

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Parked

Contact: www.dlrevents.ie

Want to experience what it's like to take part in an open-air music festival? Well this is your chance! Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council's DLR Events, in association with Phantom FM105.2, is excited to announce "PARKED" the first countywide school bands competition, which will be held Sunday, May 3rd, 2009 in Blackrock Park.

DLR Events wants all Junior and Secondary schools to submit ONE band to represent their school at this new event. PARKED gives bands a chance to perform on stage in front of a crowd, work with music business professionals and win some great prizes! The winning bands will each receive €500 for their school and get the chance to visit the studios of Phantom FM105.2.

Each school is responsible for choosing the band that will represent them at Parked. The method is up to you; but for example, you could hold auditions in your school to make the selection, or pick a band you know is ready for competition, the choice is yours!

Not in a band but can dance, juggle, a budding magician or entertainer? PARKED is more than just about bands. We will have dance workshops where you can learn the latest moves and a performance area where you can show us what you are made of! Registration for these areas is free and open on the day. Places will be limited so sign up early!

Molly Keane Memorial Creative Writing Award 2009

Contact: www.waterfordcoco.ie or phone the Arts Office on (058) 41416.

The Arts Office of Waterford Co. Council is pleased to announce that it is currently accepting short stories for this competition.

To celebrate this rich literary life, the County Waterford Arts Office, by kind permission of the Keane family, is inviting entries for a previously unpublished short story to a maximum of 2000 words. There is no entry fee, no age limit and no restriction on the subject matter. A prize of €650 will be awarded to the winner at a special ceremony during the IMMRAMA Literary Festival in Lismore, Co. Waterford (June 11th – 14th 2009).

The closing date for receipt of entries is 5.00pm on Wednesday 1st April 2009.

Full details and an entry form can be downloaded from www.waterfordcoco.ie or by phoning the Arts Office on 058-41416.

Source: Pavilion Theatre 13th February 2009, The Mill Theatre, 2nd February 2009, 13th February 2009, Signal Arts Centre 2nd February 2009, 6th February 2009, Dalkey Castle & Heritage Centre, 25th February 2009, Southside Comedy 23rd February 2009, Steve Reddy 11th February 2009, Waterford County Council 22nd January 2009, Ciara King 19th February 2009, Carolyn Brown 13th February 2009, Phillip Duggan 20th February 2009, DLREvents 20th February 2009, Máire Davey 25th February 2009.

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**SUNDAY 3RD MAY 2009
BLACKROCK PARK : DUBLIN**

SCHOOL BAND COMPETITION

Outdoor Dance Workshops
Entertainers Open Stage
From 1pm, Free Admission.
Full details on www.dlrevents.ie

Entry closes 5pm Friday 20th March 2009
Registration for Workshops and Open Stage on the day, places will be limited



Making Tracks; Music Recording Assistance Opportunity

Contact: (01) 222 7305 E-mail: annmarie.lyons@dublincity.ie

Dublin City Council in partnership with axis arts & community resource centre, Ballymun are currently taking applications for the Music Recording Assistance Opportunity. The recipients of this award will receive 2 days rehearsal time and 1-day studio time in the Basement recording studios in axis, Ballymun towards an original music recording. The Recording Opportunity is for new recordings only. No completed packages CDs can be funded. Only work in progress will be considered. The Award is open to all forms of Music and to people born or living in Dublin City (administrative area).

To apply, send a written application CV of musical career/ experience, a copy of the recording on CD, and a lyric sheet if relevant, to: Making Tracks - Music Recording Assistance Opportunity, C/O Ann Marie Lyons, The Arts Office, Dublin City Council, The LAB, Foley Street, Dublin.

Closing date for receipt of applications is Wednesday 25th March 2009.

If you wish to subscribe or unsubscribe to/from our mailing list or add an event to the E-bulletin reply to this email or email artforms@dlrcoco.ie.

Thank you,

The Arts Office Team,