Limerick Museum and Archives (LM&A) in partnership with Mary Immaculate College, Limerick, will be hosting a three day conference on the theme of death and burial in Ireland.

LM&A and the Geography and History Departments of Mary Immaculate College, have been working for almost three years on a joint project to digitise the records of Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery and to showcase its historic importance to the city of Limerick.

We wish to launch our two main projects: a searchable map of this eighteen acre burial ground and a comprehensive history of the cemetery.

We will be launching these projects over a weekend long conference in Limerick, where we look at all aspects of death and burial in Ireland.

This conference is for all who are interested in this area of our heritage bridging the gap between academic and non academic, the experts and non-experts.

This conference will take place throughout Limerick City with the Friday event taking place in City Hall, the Saturday lectures in Mary Immaculate College and the Sunday event will take place in various sites across the city.

For further details visit: www.limerick.ie/cityarchives/beyondthegrave/





Beyond the Grave

The social and physical acts surrounding burial & death in both modern & ancient Ireland

25 - 27 April 2014

Friday 25 April 2014 City Hall, Merchants Quay, Limerick

Welcome

- 16:00 Dr Mihai Bilauca and James Sweeney, IT Department, Limerick City and County Council Collective Access digitising Mount Saint Lawrence.
- 16:30 Jacqui Hayes, Limerick City Archivist and Dr Maura Cronin, Mary Immaculate College Mount Saint Lawrence transcription project in the field
- 17:00 Catriona Crowe, National Archives Importance of Digitising Archives

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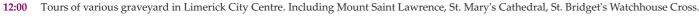
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- 17:30 Launch of the Mount Saint Lawrence Headstone Transcription database
- 18:00 Launch of the "Beyond the Grave, history of Mount Saint Lawrence" book. Launched by Professor Harold Mytum, University of Liverpool.

Saturday 26 April 2014 Mary Immaculate College, South Circular Road, Limerick

Sessions chaired by Harold Mytum, Professor of Archaeology University of Liverpool and Professor James Kelly, Head of History Department, Dublin City University

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8:30	Registration Welcome		
9:15	VVen	come	
9:30	"Creating an awareness and appreciation of our ironwork" Eric O'Neill, Blacksmith	"The Ballyhoura Graveyard Project - "The Importance of Community" "Amanda Slattery - Tourism & Heritage Officer, Colum Hardy - Community Archaeologist	
09:45	"Surveying, documenting, publishing of Historic Graves Ireland" John Tierney, Historic Graves Project	"Funerary Ironwork of the 19th Century" David Humphreys, Director APC and Historic Ironwork Consultant	This is a FREE allocated a re
10:05	"Conservation of Graveyards for the Future" Dr. Helene Bradley, Mary Immaculate College	"Attitudes to Dying, Death and Burial as Expressed in Irish Folklore" Emeritus Professor Patricia Lysaght, UCD	Please indicat
10:25	"Theatre of Life & Death; Design for Personalised Requiem Spaces" Laurence Lord, Architecture Practice + Experimentation	"Religious devotion and the afterlife: Pilgrim burials from Medieval Ireland" Dr Louise Nugent, archaeologist	Friday 25
10:40	Questions & Answers		Saturday
10:50	Break		Sunday 2
11:05	"Grave memorials of St. Fintan's cemetery Doon, Co. Limerick" Margaret Franklin, Independent Scholar	"County Limerick's Necropolis at Knockainey" Tom Cassidy, Heritage Officer, Limerick County Council, Eliza O'Grady & Catherine O'Brien, MRIAI	Optional extra
11:20	"Irish Funerary Monuments a Rich Heritage in Stone" Dr. Jim Higgins Heritage Officer Galway City Council	"Changing role of funeral directing since the 1800s" Gerry Griffin, Managing Director, Griffin Funeral Directors, Limerick "Flower Arranging for Funerals" Dan Lawless, Proprietor Lawless Flowers, Limerick	Saturday
1:50	"The Fairy Funeral- An Exploration of Death in Irish Fairytales" Marian Sheehan, BA, Limerick School of Art and Design	"Mortality in Limerick City, 1910 – 1915: The Mount Saint Lawrence Evidence" Margaret Buckley	Sunday 2
2:10	"A Place Apart?: Mortuary Practices Associated with Violence in Medieval Ireland" Niamh Carty, MA	"A Sense of Place in Death - An Oral Record" Maurice O'Keeffe - Irish Life and Lore	Name:
12:40	Questions & Answers		INdille:
12:50	Lunch		Organisation:
13:50	Turtle Bunbury, Vanishing Ireland		Address:
4:50	Questions	& Answers	
1 5:00	""Remember Man, Thou Art But Dust". Osteoarchaeology and Prehistoric Cremation." Linda Lynch PhD MIAI Consultant Human Osteoarchaeologist	"The art of dying: salvation, commemoration and Franciscan ideologies on late medieval Irish tombs" Dr Małgorzata Krasnodębska - D'Aughton, UCC	
15:20	"English Versus Irish Death Rites." Dr Joan O' Doherty, Civil Funeral Celebrant	"What the obituaries tell us about society" Dr. Ursula O'Callaghan, Independent Scholar	
15:40	"A Burning Issue: Early Mesolithic Burial at Hermitage, Castleconnell, Limerick." Tracy Collins Aegis Archaeology	"Working knowledge: the industrial archaeology of burial" Dr Julie Rugg of the Cemetery Research Group at the University of York	
16:10	Questions	& Answers	Tel:
16:20	Students from the Geography Department, Mary Immaculate College	Students from the History Department, Mary Immaculate College	Email:
16:35	"Surveys and Transcriptions of Graveyards in the Diocese of Ossory" Dr Jane Lyons, Genealogist	<i>"Where are the Dead?"</i> Leonie Kellaher, Professor Emeritus, the Cities Institute, London Metropolitan University	Email:
17:05	Questions & Answers		
17:15-	17:30 Conclusion of Conference		Please return 31 March 2014
Sun	day 27 April 2014 Various sites throughout the city		Sharon Slater, Tel: +353.
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14:00 City of Churches Exhibition Tour of the LCMA City of Churches Exhibition with will be taking place throughout Limerick city during 2014.



Registration Form

event. Booking is essential as places are limited. You will be egistration number which will be required to attend the conference.

te which of the following events you would like to attend.

ril April Dril	Series of talks and launches, City Hall. Series of lectures, Mary Immaculate College. Series of tours.
April	Conference Dinner, time and venue TBD, the dinner must be pre-purchased. Details to follow.
bril	Place on the bus for tours of Limerick City graveyards.

n the above information to the following address before 14, a confirmation email will be dispatched: r, Limerick City Archives, City Hall, Merchants Quay, Limerick 3.61.407100 on.slater@limerickcity.ie

Places are limited – early booking advisable.