

"Teenage Kicks ..."
Library Services to Teenagers
Public Libraries' Section,
Library Association of Ireland

Annual Conference 2008
Programme of Events



Heritage Hotel,
Portlaoise, Co. Laois.

Wednesday, November 5th
to
Friday, November 7th

Enquiries and completed applications before
Friday, October 17th to:

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Wednesday, November 5th

5.30 p.m.

Registration of delegates at Heritage Hotel, Portlaoise.

8.00 p.m.

Conference dinner for guests and delegates.

Thursday, November 6th

9.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.

Understanding and Connecting With Teenagers

Speaker: David Coleman, Clinical Psychologist, Broadcaster and Author
A graduate of University College Dublin, David Coleman has been a practising Clinical Psychologist, working with children and families for over ten years. He has become well known in Ireland as the presenter of the hit RTE television series "Families in Trouble" that was enjoyed by huge audiences nationwide. David is also a best selling author of "Parenting is Child's Play", a guide to raising children.

11.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.

Tea/Coffee

11.30 a.m. to 12.15pm.

Youth Zones: Piloting Services To Teenagers In Dublin City Libraries

Speaker, Mark ffrench-Mullen, Librarian, Dublin City Libraries
Mark ffrench-Mullen began his Library career in the Southern Education and Library Board under Chief Librarian, Harry Carson. Mark completed a post graduate Diploma in Library and Information Studies at Loughborough University, and later joined Dublin Public Libraries in 1982.

12.15pm to 1.00 p.m

Reading For Girls

Speaker, Claire Hennessy, Author
Born in Dublin in 1986, Claire Hennessy writes books for a young adult audience which deal with the trials and tribulations of teenage life. Angst, romance, friendship woes, family issues, school situations, personal crises, more romance... Claire's first book "Dear Diary..." was written at 12 years old and published at 13. Her eighth book "Big Picture" is out now.

1.00 p.m.

Lunch

2.00 p.m.

Library Visit –

An opportunity for delegates to visit Mountrath and Abbeyleix Libraries.

8.00 p.m.

Conference Banquet with guest speaker John McNamee of Easons, President of the European Booksellers Federation

Friday, November 7th

9.30 a.m. to 10.15 a.m.

“Establishing What Teens Want From Their Library Service” Cork City Libraries’ Teen Survey

Speakers: Breda Hassett (B. A., DLIS) and Patricia Looney (BSSOC, DLIS)
Breda Hassett and Patricia Looney were appointed as executive librarians with responsibility for Children’s and Young People’s services for Cork City Libraries in 2006. Since then they have worked to develop programmes and activities for children and young people. They have worked extensively with Teen Focus groups and organisations over the last two years. Both librarians have over 20 years experience in providing services to children and young people from their various positions of responsibility with Cork City Libraries.

10.15 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.

Reading In The Dark: Switching On The Lights For Reluctant Readers

Speakers: Eileen McDermott, School Librarian, and Stephen Doherty, School Librarian

Eileen McDermott has been School Librarian in Larkin Community College, Dublin since the beginning of the JCSP Demonstration Library Project in 2002. Recently Eileen transferred to Beaufort College, Navan. Stephen Doherty joined the project in August 2007 as School Librarian in Abbey Community College, Wicklow.

11.00 a.m. to 11.20 a.m.

Tea/Coffee

11.20 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

(15 Minute Quickfires)

“The Manga Miracle”

Speaker: Niamh Baldwin, Waterford City Council Library Service

Netsmart in Mallow

Speaker: Bernie Wallace, Cork County Library Service

Listening to Teenagers in Kildare

Speaker: Emer McGinn, Kildare County Library Service

Serving Teenagers in Donegal

Speakers: to be confirmed

12.30 p.m. to 1.15 p.m.

Reading For Boys

Speaker: Oisín McGann, Author

Oisín McGann was born in Dublin in 1973. He started writing and illustrating stories in copybooks when he was about six or seven. In 1992 he dropped out of college to set himself up as a freelance illustrator/artist. His first books were published in 2003. Titles include “Ancient Appetites”, “Under Fragile Stone” and “Small-Minded Giants” which is nominated for the Coventry Inspiration Awards. Oisín now works full-time as a writer and illustrator. He lives somewhere in the Irish countryside, where he won’t be heard shouting at his computer.

1.15 p.m.

Conference Close and Lunch

[BOOKING FORM](#)

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Please complete & forward this form to the Conference Secretary at the address below.

Registration fee (LAI members €70.00; Non-members €90.00)

Fees may be paid by delegates at registration on Wednesday evening or delegate's local authority may be invoiced

Name

Library

Address

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Phone

Email

LAI Member: Yes No

ACCOMMODATION REQUIREMENTS

• I will be staying at the hotel and sharing with

• I will be staying at the hotel and require a single room

NOTE: All-in Conference rate €250.00 per person sharing or €310.00 for a single room (Wednesday night only €120.00 pps or €150.00 single; Thursday night only €155.00 pps or €185.00 single) *plus conference fee*, to include all accommodation and meals

• I will be a day delegate, arranging my own accommodation

• I require a non-smoking room

NOTE: Conference day rate is €25.00 per day plus conference fee; includes coffee breaks & lunch. Attendance at conference dinners will incur an extra fee

PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS

• I will pay the Secretary at the Annual Conference

• I require my Local Authority to be invoiced

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