

Mark your calendars and make your way to the

CROSSROADS

IRISH-AMERICAN FESTIVAL

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1

An Evening of Resistance Music to Commemorate the 1981 Irish Hunger Strike

March 1, 2006 marks the 25th Anniversary of the beginning of the hunger strike that was a turning point in the struggle for Irish freedom and equality. Join us as local musicians honor the hunger strikers' memory with a rich and moving tribute to their struggle.

Performing Musicians:

- **Pat Hamilton; Ben Hunter; Tony McMahon and Liam Tiernan** of the legendary group, Barleycorn

LOCATION: The Liberties Irish Bar & Restaurant, 998 Guerrero Street @ 23rd Street, San Francisco **TIME:** 7:30-10 pm

THURSDAY, MARCH 2

An evening of music with Karen Casey and *Flook*

(co-produced by the United Irish Cultural Center and The Fresh Air Festival)

LOCATION: United Irish Cultural Center, 2700 45th Avenue @ Sloat, San Francisco
TIME: 8pm

TICKETS: \$20. Purchase at: www.ticketweb.com

FRIDAY, MARCH 3

The Irish-American Memoir

A conversation and reading with Irish-American memoir writers:

- **Maura Conlon-McIvor**, *She's All Eyes: Memoirs of an Irish-American Daughter*
- **Bridget Connolly**, *Forgetting Ireland: Uncovering a Family's Secret History*
- **Maureen Murdock**, *Unreliable Truth: On Memoir and Memory*
- **Maureen Waters**, *Crossing Highbridge: A Memoir of Irish America*

Moderated by: **Hillary Flynn**, CROSSROADS Community Program Director

LOCATION: New College of California, 766 Valencia @ 18th Street, San Francisco
TIME: 7:30pm

SUNDAY, MARCH 5

Poetry Night

- **Jack Foley**, *Letters/Lights—Words for Adelle, Gershwin, Adrift, Exiles*, and with Ivan Argüelles, *New Poetry from California: Dead/Requiem*; Host, *Cover to Cover* on KPFA
- **Katherine Hastings**, Director, *Word Temple Poetry Series* at Copperfield Books in Santa Rosa, and a widely published poet in many journals and anthologies.
- **Maureen Hurley**, *Falling to Sea Level, Klarlight*; Cleveland Elementary School Arts Instructor
- **Chad Sweeney**, *Salt Plain and Other Stories*, Co-Editor, *Parthenon West Review*; San Francisco WritersCorps teacher

Moderated by: **Liz Burke**, Adjunct Faculty, John F. Kennedy University

LOCATION: Bird & Beckett Books, 2788 Diamond Street @ Chenery, San Francisco
TIME: 7:30 pm

ALL EVENTS ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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PARKING/MUNI: **New College of California:** Mission Bartlett Garage, 3255 21st Street (btw Valencia & Mission) - MUNI: 26 Valencia; Mission buses.
SF Public Library: Civic Center Garage, 355 McAllister Street. MUNI: Underground: Civic Center, F Line and Market Street Buses.

TUESDAY, MARCH 7

25th Anniversary of The 1981 Hunger Strike: *A Lasting Impact*

Join us for a conversation about the events surrounding the Irish Hunger Strike of 1981 in Long Kesh prison and its powerful impact on the politics of Ireland and America down to the present day.

- **John Fogarty**, Western Regional Representative, Irish American Unity Conference
- **Hon. Tom Hayden**, Author, Activist, Educator
- **Bobby Lavery**, Elected Representative to the Belfast City Council for 11 years for Sinn Féin
- **Bill Simmons**, International Indian Treaty Council
- **Nadya Connolly Williams**, Global Exchange Study Tour Coordinator for the north of Ireland, and other destinations

Moderated by: **Daniel Cassidy**, Co-Director, New College of California, Irish Studies Program

LOCATION: United Irish Cultural Center, 2700 45th Avenue @ Sloat, San Francisco
TIME: 7:30 pm

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8

A Celebration of the Life of Peter Tamony

A night celebrating the life and work of a forgotten Irish-American folklorist from the old Mission District of San Francisco.

- **Karen Ellis**, author, teacher and publisher of print and online media. Her work can be found at: Educational CyberPlayGround <http://www.edu-cyberpg.com>
- **Michael Corrigan**, *Confessions of a Shanty Irishman*
- **Daniel Cassidy**, Co-Director, New College of California Irish Studies Program

LOCATION: New College of California, 766 Valencia Street @ 18th Street, San Francisco **TIME:** 7:30 pm

THURSDAY, MARCH 9

The Irish in the Sunset District

An exploration of the history of the Irish-American community of the Sunset District of San Francisco, featuring a variety of panelists including Anne Carew, Patrick Maguire, Diarmuid Philpott, Bob Twomey, and Jeffrey M. Burns, the Archivist for the Archdiocese of San Francisco.

Moderated by: **Margaret McPeake**, Co-Director, New College of California Irish Studies Program

LOCATION: United Irish Cultural Center, 2700 45th Avenue @ Sloat, San Francisco
TIME: 7:30 pm

SATURDAY, MARCH 11

1:30-2:00 pm

Tipsy House, *Traditional Music Group*

2:00-4:00 pm

Irish-Americans in Social Justice Movements

The public is invited to join in a conversation about Irish-Americans in social justice movements.

- **Ellen Barry**, prison rights activist, lawyer, organizer and 2005 Nobel Peace Prize nominee
- **Kevin Fagan**, Award-winning *San Francisco Chronicle* Journalist
- **Sister Maureen Hally**, RSM, Educator, Activist, Warrior Crone.

Moderated by: **Hillary Flynn**, CROSSROADS Community Program Director

LOCATION: San Francisco Public Library, Koret Auditorium, 100 Grove Street, San Francisco

MARCH I-II, 2006

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE ■ SUNDAY, MARCH 12 Starts: 11:30 am at 2nd and Market to Civic Center Plaza. Celebration will be held before, during, and after the Parade. 10 am - 5pm @ Civic Center Plaza. For more information: www.sfstpatricksdaysparade.com or call: 415-675-9885.