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Public Symposium

The CULTURE-NATURE Spectrum

Conversations

about Irish Cultural Landscapes

with an international perspective

Hosted by

ICOMOS Ireland National Scientific Committee on Cultural Landscapes

at the

National Botanic Gardens, Dublin.

Wednesday 19th & Thursday 20th June 2019



The Culture-Nature Spectrum: Conversations about Irish Cultural Landscapes with an International Perspective

“In long and closely settled areas such as Ireland, the human impress is so pervasive that it is appropriate to speak of a cultural landscape.....This cultural landscape is our major and most productive creation; it is both an artefact based on foundations of geology and climate, and a narrative, layer upon layer of our history and nature’s history intertwined.”¹

There are varying degrees and ways of interaction between human beings and the natural world which are visibly present in our landscapes. At one end of the spectrum we find deeply humanized landscapes, such as the dry-stone walled field boundary system of the Aran Islands off the west coast of Ireland. Seemingly natural, on closer inspection an intensely worked landscape is revealed. At the other end of that spectrum, the connection between culture and nature may not be visible; the human dimension is in the mind and the landscape is untouched, natural, with little human imprint. And yet for those associated with such landscapes, they have great significance *“by virtue of the powerful religious, artistic or cultural associations of the natural element rather than material cultural evidence, which may be insignificant or even absent.”²*

The intention of the symposium is to initiate discussion and develop awareness about cultural landscape; to understand the broad nature of the term while looking at the particular; and to share the Irish experience with an international audience.

The proposed sub-themes are:

- Layered Landscapes: continuing, evolving and cared for by a community;
- Pleasure Landscapes: demesnes, landscape parks & gardens, historic urban parks, places for leisure;
- Water Landscapes: bogs, coastal landscapes and their role in supporting ecological and sustainable responses to climate change;
- Associative Cultural Landscapes: addressing the presence of intangible heritage in the landscape.

¹ Aalen, F.H.A. ‘The Irish rural landscape: synthesis of habitat and history’, Atlas of the Irish Rural Landscape, edited by F.H.A. Aalen, Kevin Whelan, Matthew Stout (Cork University Press, Cork, Ireland, 1997) p5.

² <http://whc.unesco.org/archive/opgu/opgu-annex4rev.pdf>

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Day 1

Wednesday 19th June 2019

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| 08.30 | Registration | |
| 09:00 | Welcome Remarks | Director - National Botanic Gardens Presidents ICOMOS & NSCCL (Ireland) |
| 09.25 | <i>Cultural Landscape Heritage, Looking Back, Looking Forward</i> | Patricia O'Donnell, President ISCCL |
| 09:55 | Plenary: <i>Only accountable for his Own Portion: The Famine and the Irish Landscape</i> | Breandán Mac Suibhne, Historian, Century University, New Jersey |
| 10.25 | <i>Nature Conservation in a Cultural Landscape - The Burren</i> | Brendan Dunford, Programme Manager - The Burren Programme |
| 10.40 | <i>Rathcroghan - A structure for engagement</i> | Helena Fitzgerald, Architect, co-author - Farming Rathcroghan European Innovation Partnership Project |
| 10:55 | International Paper: <i>Agricultural Calamity and Adaptive Cultural Landscapes in Nevis</i> | Gregory De Vries, ISCCL VP North America |
| 11.10 | <i>Discussion Panel</i> | |
| 11.25 | Coffee Break | |
| 11.45 | Plenary: <i>Landscapes of Pleasure? Memory Manoeuvres in Ireland's Parks & Gardens</i> | Finola O'Kane Crimmins, Professor School of Architecture, Planning & Environmental Policy, UCD |
| 12.15 | <i>Killarney House - Remaking the Pleasure Grounds in Kenmare Demesne</i> | Liz Morgan, Landscape Conservation Architect, ISCCL M, President NSCCL (Ireland) |
| 12.30 | <i>The Phoenix Park</i> | Margaret Gormley, Chief Parks Superintendent, National Historic Properties, OPW. |
| 12.45 | International Paper <i>Pleasure Gardens of Japan</i> | Waturu Ono, ISCCL Japan VM |
| 13.00 | Discussion Panel | |
| 13.15 | Lunch Break | |
| 14.45 | Plenary <i>Ireland's raised bogs - a drama in three acts.</i> | John Feehan, Geologist, Botanist, Author and Broadcaster |
| 15.15 | <i>Abbeyleix Bog Community Project</i> | Chris Uys, Technical Advisory Group, Abbeyleix Bog Project Ltd. |
| 15.30 | <i>Ecosystems services and sustainability of Ireland's peatlands</i> | Mike Jones, Botany Department, Trinity College, Dublin |
| 15.45 | <i>Bull Island, Dublin</i> | Maryann Harris, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent, Dublin City Council |
| 16.00 | International Paper <i>The challenge of waterscapes</i> | Steve Brown, ISCCL, Former Pres. HM |
| 16.15 | Discussion Panel | |
| 16.30 | Coffee Break | |

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| 16.30 | Coffee Break | |
| 16.45 | Plenary: <i>Tara - an Associative Cultural Landscape</i> | Edel Breathnach, CEO, The Discovery Programme |
| 17.15 | <i>Mayo Dark Sky Park: from Vision to Reality</i> | Sue Callaghan, National Parks & Wildlife Service |
| 17.30 | International Paper <i>Risco Caído and Sacred Mountains of the Gran Canaria</i> | Liana Jansen, ISCCL VP Africa & Mónica Luengo, former President ISCCL. |
| 17.45 | Discussion Panel | |
| 18.00 | Closing Remarks: <i>The way forward for Irish Cultural Landscape</i> | |



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International Scientific Committee on Cultural Landscapes Papers
Day 2
Thursday 20th June

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| 9.00 | <i>Forward Together: A Culture-Nature Journey Towards More Effective Conservation in a Changing World: Highlights from an International Symposium</i> | Nora Mitchell & Brenda Barrett |
| 9.15 | <i>An Introduction to the Rich Diversity of Cultural Landscapes in Sultanate of Oman</i> | Andrew Anderson |
| 9.30 | <i>Cultural Landscape Serra de Tramuntana, Mallorca, The Stakeholder Involvement with a Residence Challenge</i> | Bartomeu Deya |
| 9.45 | <i>The Presence of Rural Landscapes in UNESCO World Heritage Sites - an Overview</i> | Andrea L'Erario |
| 10.00 | <i>Water: the driver of changing rural landscape patterns</i> | Jane Lennon |
| 10.15 | <i>When Nature takes Place in the City, the Work of Jean Renaudie at Jeanne Hachette, Ivry-sur Seine, Paris</i> | Mary Laheen & Aoibheann Ní Mhearáin |
| 10.30 | <i>Cultural Landscapes, Archaeology & Intangible Cultural Heritage, Malawi Conundrums</i> | Menno Welling |
| 10.45 | <i>The Application of Cultural Landscape on the Conservation of Industrial Heritage in Taiwan</i> | Hsiao-Wei Lin |
| 11.00 | Coffee break | |
| 11.30 | <i>Making a Park for Castletown Cox, Kilkenny 1992-2007</i> | Hal Moggridge |
| 11.45 | <i>Garden Conservation Projects in Hungary 2010 - 2015</i> | Gábor Alföldy |
| 12.00 | <i>Cultural Landscape of the Sacri Monti Piedmont and Lombardy</i> | Renata Lodari |
| 12.15 | <i>Historic Parks and Gardens as Nature-Based Solutions to Climate Change Adaptation</i> | Alessio Russo |
| 12.30 | <i>Protection of Village Landscapes in Estonian National Parks – Heritage Values and Community Engagement</i> | Ave Paulus |
| 12.45 | <i>Integrating Cultural Heritage Conservation into Alberta's parks and protected area system</i> | Jon Weller |
| 13.00 | <i>Achieving the UN Sustainable Development Goals</i> | Peter Cox |

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