



**SAVE THE DATES 5-7 December 2014!!**

**ECMTA Autumn Gathering St Patrick's College, Drumcondra (A College of Dublin City University)**

The Music Department of St Patrick's College and artists-in-residence The Fidelio Trio will host ECMTA's 2014 Autumn Gathering 5-7 December in conjunction with the 2nd *Fidelio Trio's Winter Chamber Music Festival*. This festival will comprise an exciting programme of chamber music in North Dublin, with concerts taking place in the atmospheric setting of 18<sup>th</sup> century Belvedere House at St Patrick's College. Performing alongside The Fidelio Trio will be international guest artists, oboe soloist Nicholas Daniel, violist Meghan Cassidy and the Festival will feature two world premieres by renowned Irish composer, Gerald Barry. This will be the first ECMTA event in Ireland, and thus represents a special opportunity for members to gain insight and understanding of chamber music education and performance in this country. The ECMTA meeting will feature guest speakers from our host country as well as our usual Members' Forum, masterclasses with student ensembles, and Thematic work groups. Participation for ECMTA members is free.

The Music Department at St Patrick's College Drumcondra is a vibrant music department offering a range of courses at undergraduate and postgraduate levels. Performance plays a major role in the activities and identity of the department, which enjoys strong links with two of Ireland's premier music conservatories: The Royal Irish Academy of Music (RIAM) and the DIT Conservatory of Music and Drama (DIT), both of which are located nearby in central Dublin. St Patrick's College Music Department is experienced in conference organisation. In November 2013 it hosted the international *Music Education Gathering 2013* with in excess of 140 participants and in May 2014 welcomed the 3rd *Conference on Women and Music in Ireland*. In June 2016 it will host *The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Society for Musicology in Ireland*.

St Patrick's College Music Department

<http://www.spd.dcu.ie/site/music/index.shtml>

Artists in residence

<http://www.spd.dcu.ie/site/music/TheFidelioTrio.shtml>

Fidelio Trio

<http://www.fideliotrio.com/>





## **Preliminary Schedule (subject to modification)**

\*\* Reserved for ECMTA members and their guests

### **Friday 5 December**

- 15:30 Board meeting\*\*
- 18:30 Wine Reception graciously hosted by St. Patrick's College\*\*
- 19 30 Inaugural Concert
- 21:00 Dinner\*\* (reservation required, see inscription form)

### **Saturday 6 December**

- 9:00 ECMTA Thematic Work groups\*\*
- 10.00 ECMTA Members' Forum\*\*
- 11:10 Coffee break
- 11:30 Masterclasses
- 12:30 Lunch (available at local shops)
- 13:15 Lunchtime concert
- 14:15 Masterclasses
- 15:15 **Round table**

#### **Chamber Music Instruction and Performance in Ireland**

**Miriam Roycroft** – Head of Strings Royal Irish Academy of Music  
**Dr. Ferenc Szucs** - Director of MA in String Performance Irish World Academy, University of Limerick  
**Dr. John O'Flynn** - Head of Music Department, St. Patrick's College  
**Christopher Marwood** - Cellist in Vanbrugh String Quartet, Ensemble-in-Residence DIT, Artistic Director of West Cork Chamber Music Festival  
**Victor Yelamo** – Director Donegal Chamber Orchestra and Donegal Chamber Music Society  
**John O'Kane**, Executive Director of RTE Orchestras, Quartet and Choirs

- 17:15 Coffee Break
- 17 30 **Keynote speaker**  
**Raymond Deane**, composer: *Seachanges*, a set-work of chamber music in the Leaving Certificate Music Examinations (final high school diploma qualification in Ireland)
- 18:30 Concert
- 21:00 Conference Dinner\*\* TBC (reservation required, see inscription forms)

### **Sunday 7 December**

- 9:00 ECMTA Thematic Work groups\*\*
- 11.00 Masterclasses
- 13:00 Lunch (available at local shops)
- 15:15 Concert

## TRAVEL

Dublin Airport

<http://www.dublinairport.com/home.aspx>

Ground Transportation:

St Patrick's College/Drumcondra is serviced by many Dublin Bus routes such as: 1, 16 (From Dublin Airport), 33, 33n, 41, 41n. The DART rail service will also bring you within a 5 minute walk from the college. Taxis are also readily available.

## HOTELS

### **The Dublin Skylon Hotel** (5 mins walk)

Upper Drumcondra Rd., Drumcondra,  
Dublin 9, Ireland

<http://www.dublinskylonthotel.com/>

Tel +353 (0)1 884 3900

Fax +353 (0)1 837 2778 I

*The hotel is conveniently located 20 mins by car from the airport, next door to St Patrick's College, and 10 minutes from the city centre by bus/taxi.*

### **Budget accommodation:**

### **Purcell House Conference Centre & Guest Services** (5 mins walk)

[www.allhallows.ie/conference-guest-services/](http://www.allhallows.ie/conference-guest-services/)

Email: [mhayes@allhallows.ie](mailto:mhayes@allhallows.ie)

All Hallows College

Grace Park Road, Drumcondra, Dublin 9

Tel +353 (0)1 8520754

Other options

[www.ashlinghouse.ie](http://www.ashlinghouse.ie)

[www.arranmorehouse.com](http://www.arranmorehouse.com)

[www.abbingtonhouseireland.com](http://www.abbingtonhouseireland.com)

<http://www.doylecollection.com/hotels/the-croke-park-hotel>

Delegates should log onto

[www.dublinskylonthotel.com](http://www.dublinskylonthotel.com), put in the promo code 'chamber' and book the dates they require.

4<sup>th</sup> December – Single €49, Twin / Double €59 -

5<sup>th</sup> December – Single €79, Twin / Double €89 -

6<sup>th</sup> December – Single €89, Twin / Double €99 -

7<sup>th</sup> December - Single €49, Twin / Double €59 –

**Deadline for these rates is 20<sup>th</sup> November.**

B&B – single: 50 euros

B&B – double / twin: 90 euros

## Meals

Cocktails and coffee breaks are offered free of charge.

All other meals are at the expense of individual members (reservations absolutely required for Friday and Saturday evening: see Inscription forms).

## Erasmus Teacher Mobility and Teacher Training

To set up an Erasmus Teaching Mobility bilateral agreement please contact the Erasmus coordinator and/or administrator at St Patrick's College: Gerry O'Reilly and/or Kathleen Gordon: [gerry.oreilly@spd.dcu.ie](mailto:gerry.oreilly@spd.dcu.ie) and [kathleen.gordon@spd.dcu.ie](mailto:kathleen.gordon@spd.dcu.ie)

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