

Border Literatures



The National Library of Ireland Border Literatures:

Frequently Asked Questions

Why Border Literatures?

- To share wider conversations about literary works that take borders, in the broadest sense, as their subject, or are written by authors with an experience of living by that border.
- To share diverse literary perspectives of the experiences of borders, in Ireland and elsewhere.
- To share community of readership and discussion on literature that has the experience of borders as a theme.
- To add literary perspectives to historical conversations about the centenary of partition.
- To share the knowledge of leading scholars, writers and critics in these important literary and cultural discussions.
- To highlight the diversity and achievement of literary work in the border counties.

What dates to events take place?

- Opening Event Border Literatures: A Conversation 22nd of September 2021 at 7pm
- Reading 1 - Death at Whitewater Church by Andrea Carter 20th of October 2021 at 7pm
- Reading 2 - Death and Nightingales by Eugene McCabe 19th of November 2021 at 7pm
- Reading 3 - Guard Your Heart by Sue Divin 19th of January 2022 at 7pm
- Reading 4 - Seamus Heaney: Opened Ground 16th of February 2022 at 7pm
- Closing Event 6 – New Horizons 23rd of March 2022 at 7pm

How are events taking place?

Events are taking place via Zoom Webinar and are free to book.

What time are events taking place at?

All events will take place from 7-8pm Irish time.

How do I register to attend?

To book your free spot on any of the events simply click [here](#) and follow the instructions to register for your chosen event.

When will I receive my Zoom link?

Your Zoom link will be sent to you via email once you complete the registration process. You will also be sent a reminder with the Zoom link on the day of the event.

What books will be discussed?

- Death at Whitewater Church by Andrea Carter
- Death and Nightingales by Eugene McCabe
- Guard Your Heart by Sue Divin
- Opened Ground by Seamus Heaney

Please see the additional PDF [here](#) for further information on the books and discussion questions

Where can I get a copy of the books being discussed?

All books are in print and available via public libraries throughout Ireland. Books can also be purchased via their publishers or from independent bookshops.

Who are the panellists taking part?

Please see the additional PDF [here](#) for further information about the panellists taking part in each event.

Will there be an additional reading list available?

Throughout our discussions during the Border Literatures programme we will be gathering titles for a suggested reading list on the topic of fiction that centres on the idea of borders. If you would like to suggest a title for this reading list on border literatures please email us at learning@nli.ie

If you would like to receive the complete reading list after the culmination of our events, please sign up for our mailing list by clicking [here](#).

If you or your book club is taking part in reading along or attending our online events you can let us know by tagging us on social media using #BorderLiteratures on [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#).

How can I give feedback on Border Literatures Events?

We welcome all feedback and ask that you fill in the survey at the end of each event. For additional questions or queries please email us at learning@nli.ie