

International Irish Famine Commemoration

Roundtable: The Famine and Irish Australia

Council Chamber, Williamstown Town Hall

Sunday 28 October 2018, 5pm

(Following the ceremony at the Famine Rock)

MC: *Professor Ronan McDonald, the Gerry Higgins Professor Irish Studies at the University of Melbourne*

Panel: *Professor Elizabeth Malcolm, Associate Professor Dianne Hall, Dr Fidelma Breen and Dr Val Noone*

*Professor McDonald will engage the panel in conversation with Q&A to follow: What impact did the Famine have on Irish Australia? How did you personally get involved in Irish-Australian history? What new insights have come to light in the 30 years since Patrick O'Farrell wrote his book *The Irish in Australia*? What future research into Irish Australia needs to be done?*

Tea and coffee from 4.30pm

Opening remarks: Patrick O'Donovan TD, minister of state representing the Government of Ireland.

Bookings for this FREE event will open early October. Details to follow.

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Irish Famine Orphan Girls Commemoration