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The 'Rokeby Lecture'

Thursday 24th November at 7.30pm

Hidden Gems: Irish Language material in the collections of Armagh Public Library

Speaker: Dr Charles Dillon

Dr Charles Dillon is Editor of the Royal Irish Academy's *Dictionary of the Irish Language*, a post he took up in 2016 having been a lecturer for twelve years in Celtic Studies in Queen's University Belfast. He has previously lectured and published articles on the literary heritage of the Irish language in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, with a particular focus on translation and other forms of literary and cultural interaction between Irish and Anglo-Irish cultures in Ulster.



'The Irish language material held in Armagh Library in many ways tells the story of the contact between Irish Catholic Ireland and Anglo-Irish Ireland in the beginning of the Modern Period. From the earliest Irish translations of the Old Testament and Book of Common Prayer, to texts associated with the beginnings of romantic revivalism, the holdings embody a fascinating period in Irish cultural history and deserve to be celebrated'.



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