



Museum of  
Literature  
Ireland

# Venue Hire and Entertaining Options

at the Museum of Literature Ireland

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Litríochta *na*  
hÉireann



## An historic hidden gem, at the heart of Dublin City Centre.

The Museum of Literature Ireland (MoLI) is a new landmark museum that celebrates our written creativity from the rich heritage of the past to the vibrant talent of the present, while fostering the next generation of writers through innovative learning programmes.

By choosing to host your event at MoLI, you are directly contributing to all these activities, helping MoLI pave the way toward being the world's premier literary museum and provide opportunities in the Arts to writers from all areas of Irish life.

Warm wishes from St Stephen's Green,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Simon O'Connor".

**SIMON O'CONNOR**

*Director, Museum of Literature Ireland*



## We look forward to welcoming you and your guests to MoLI.

A striking mix of the old and the new, Dublin's newest museum is an oasis in the city centre that has already gained a reputation as one of the capital's most exciting and adaptable cultural event spaces.

Comprised of two superb Georgian townhouses (No.85 & No.86 St. Stephen's Green), MoLI offers elegant interiors, splendid plasterwork, and a unique Victorian assembly hall – the Aula Maxima – lovingly restored as a cutting-edge contemporary exhibition space. MoLI's gardens and award-winning restaurant, The Commons, are also available for private hire. Your event can be as small as a meeting for 10 guests, or a major event for up to 400 guests, and tours of the museum collection can be incorporated into events of any size.

*For more information, please contact [events@moli.ie](mailto:events@moli.ie)*



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**All of the staff in MoLI were  
so wonderful and helpful.**

*A&L Goodbody*

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The Old Physics Theatre

## Medium Scale

# The Old Physics Theatre & Saloon

Ideal for private dining, lectures and seminars, corporate events, small weddings and family gatherings.

Decorated in the neo-gothic style, the Old Physics Theatre has great associations with the writer James Joyce who studied here from 1898 to 1902. Notable for its hand-made wallpaper, magnificent chandelier and the beautiful high arched windows overlooking our private gardens, this room has a distinctively elegant atmosphere. An ideal location for intimate weddings, private dining, receptions, lectures meetings and small conferences.

The adjoining Saloon is one of the most spectacular Georgian interiors in Dublin, with fine plasterwork by the Swiss Lafranchini brothers dating to c.1738. Hand-carved cherubs decorate the exquisite ceiling and large windows, overlooking St. Stephen's Green and allowing natural light to flood the room. This space serves as the perfect venue for exclusive receptions and launches\*.

The Old Physics Theatre and the Saloon are offered as a suite for events. The Old Physics Theatre can be used for seated receptions, while the Saloon for a welcome or closing standing reception. Separated by a small chorister's lobby, often used as a service area.

*\*Weekend evenings include Friday-Sunday. Note only standing receptions are permitted in the Saloon to preserve the historical ornamentation.*



Judge Balls Lobby



The Saloon



## Small Scale / Meetings

# Georgian Rooms in a spectacular setting

A suite of beautiful rooms, ideal for Board meetings, corporate training sessions, and small intimate dinners.

No. 86 St Stephen's Green was built in 1765 and features superb examples of rococo stuccowork by the distinguished Dublin School of Plaster Workers. One of Ireland's most spectacular Georgian houses, it was the original home to John Henry Newman's Catholic University (now UCD), and a residence of the notorious Whaley family. Use of the rooms can be easily combined with visits to the museums, gardens and guided tours.

### The Bishop's Room

This room is where Ireland's Bishops met to oversee the running of the Catholic University of Ireland, founded here in 1854. This is an excellent space for board meetings and lunchtime gatherings.

### The Rococo Room

Decorated with Robert West's stucco work, this room is a prime example of the Irish Rococo style. An ideal space for Board and team meetings on the museum's ground floor.



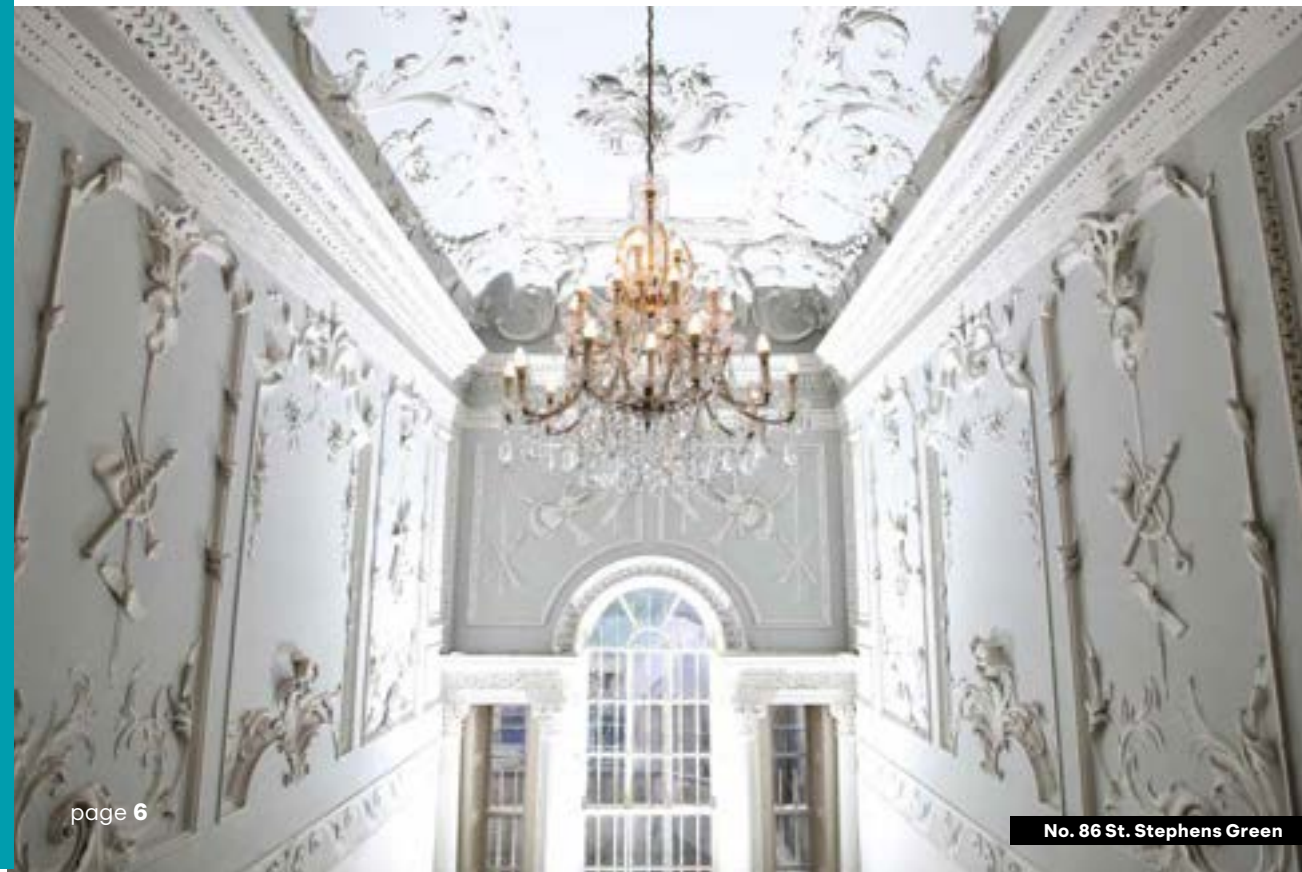
### The Rose Room

The original Saloon of No. 86, the Rose Room was the main reception hall for the Whaley family who built the house in the late 18th century. The ceiling is another flawless example of stucco work by Robert West.



### The Whaley Room

Named in honour of the Whaley family who built No.86 in 1765. Two high windows provide views over St Stephen's Green while natural light fills the space.





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**Our event went perfectly,  
the whole team in MOI were an  
absolute pleasure and nothing  
but helpful all day and night.**

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Aula Maxima

## Large Scale The Aula Maxima

The Aula Maxima or 'Great Hall' is the original assembly hall of the University. Home to countless social gatherings since the 19th century, the Aula has been transformed into a breathtaking 10,000ft<sup>2</sup> exhibition space, combining Victorian and contemporary architecture.

Comprising two floors with multiple separated spaces, a seated auditorium for groups, flexible AV facilities, and direct access to the museum's private gardens and terrace.

This space is the perfect location for large receptions, book launches and private dining, accommodating upwards of 150 guests.







## The Commons Restaurant

Set in the original UCD student dining hall of Newman House, the Commons has long been a space for sharing food and ideas amongst friends.

Today's award-winning and much-loved restaurant showcases Ireland's local produce and culinary heritage as an all-day Irish kitchen and dining room, opening out onto our Courtyard Garden.

Please ask about our menus and in house catering which can be tailored to your needs.



## Hire the whole museum

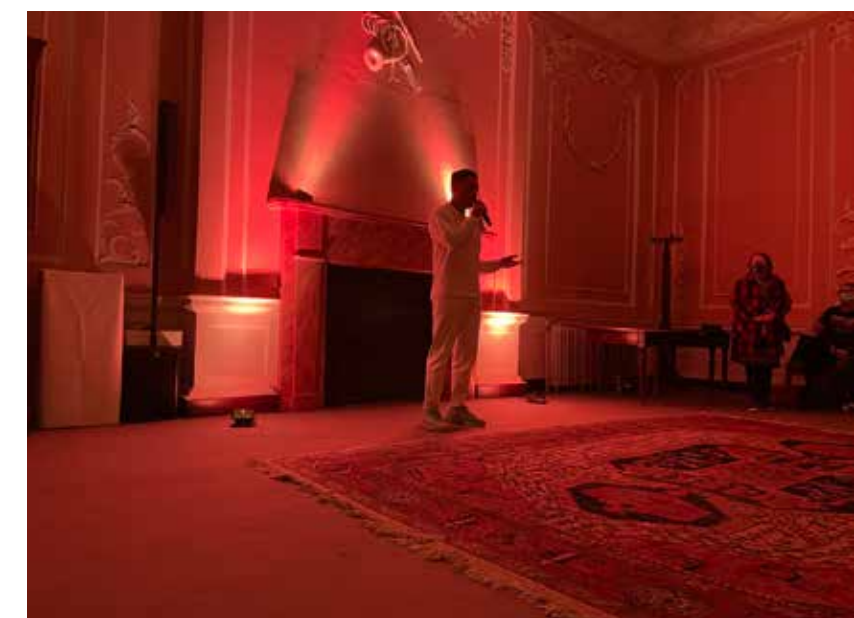
For major events, the entire museum space can be hired, including the gardens and the Commons restaurant.

Accommodating up to 400 guests across the entire site, very large scale events have incorporated the main exhibition spaces, historic rooms, gardens as well as utilising the courtyard as an outdoor performance space.

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**Thank you so much!  
The feedback for the  
venue was phenomenal.**

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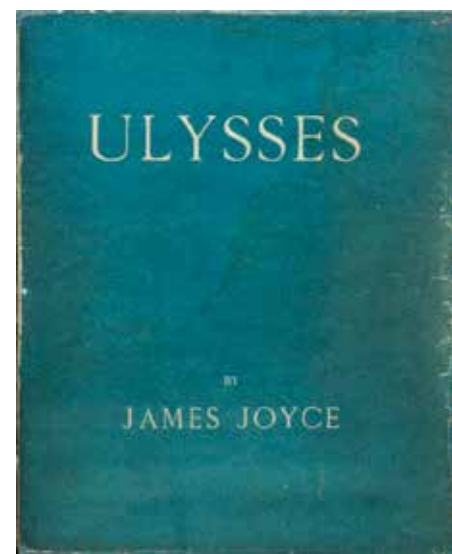


## VIP 'White Glove' Tours at MoLI

An exclusive, hands-on encounter with Ireland's rich literary history.

The MoLI White Glove tour is a personal guided tour of the museum and historic houses given by the museum Director, Simon O'Connor, detailing the rich literary and architectural history of the buildings, the founding of the university and the museum, and finishing with a private showing of rare items connected with the publication of James Joyce's Ulysses.

Guests are given the opportunity to handle rare first editions, as well as enjoying and in-depth discussion with the Director about the publication and museum.



Published on February 2nd, 1922, James Joyce's *Ulysses* is the most influential novel of the 20th century.

**Tour duration** 75-90 minutes\*

**Price:** €80 per person / minimum fee of €640

**Capacity:** Min 8 pax. / Max 15 pax

*\*shortened bespoke tours can be added to any event – rates available upon request*

## Museum and Historic House Tours at MoLI

An exploration of the historic roots of Newman House and Ireland's literary greats past and present.

Join one of our expert guides for a private tour of the museum and historic house, where you will learn about the history of Newman House and an insight into our latest exhibitions.

Whether you are a lover of literature, have an eye for architecture or want to delve further into Ireland's social history, our welcoming guides have knowledge to share for everyone.

**Tour duration** 45 minutes

**Price:** €14 per person / minimum fee of €112

**Capacity:** Min 8 pax. / Max 25 pax.

*\*shortened bespoke tours can be added to any event upon request*


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**A beautiful hidden gem, an oasis of calm and inspiration at the heart of the city.**



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Venue	Capacity	Availability	Dimensions	Hire Cost
<b>Aula Maxima Mezzanine</b> 	Up to 150 pax (standing reception) Up to 30 pax (theatre style)  Location: Level 2, lift access	Evening Mon-Sun	37.2m x 8.9m	€1,800 + VAT 6.30 - 10pm/Weekday evening hire/Mon-Wed €2,400 + VAT 6.30 - 10pm/Thursday evening hire €3,600 + VAT 6.30 - 10pm/Weekend evening hire/Fri-Sun/bank holidays  <b>Evening hire</b> includes private access to our Readers Garden.
<b>Old Physics Theatre &amp; Saloon</b> 	Up to 50 pax (dining) Up to 60 pax (theatre style) Up to 120 pax (standing reception across both spaces)  Location: Level 2, lift access	Daytime: Mon-Sun Evening: Mon-Sun	<b>Old Physics Theatre:</b> 9.1m x 6.9m  <b>Saloon:</b> 10.4m x 5.9m	€1,080 + VAT 8am - 12pm / 1 - 5pm €1,440 + VAT 9am - 5pm/Weekday/Mon-Thursday €1,728 + VAT 9am - 5pm/Weekend/Friday-Sun €2,880 + VAT 6 - 10pm/Weekday/Mon-Wed €3,600 + VAT 6 - 10pm/Weekend evening hire/Thurs-Sun+bank holidays  <b>Evening hire</b> includes private access to our Readers Garden.
<b>Entire Museum</b> 	300-400 pax (across all museum spaces)  Most spaces are wheelchair accessible	Evening: Mon-Sun	n/a	Available on request.
<b>Commons Restaurant &amp; Courtyard</b> 	Up to 60 pax (seated dining)  Location: Level 0, lift access	Evening: Mon-Sun	18.4m x 6m	€900 + VAT 6:30 - 10pm Weekday/Mon-Wed €1,080 + VAT 6:30 - 10pm/Thursday €1,260 + VAT 6:30 - 10pm/Weekend Thur-Sun+bank holiday
<b>Rococo Room</b> 	Up to 12 pax (boardroom)  Location: Level 1, lift access	Daytime: Mon-Sun	9m x 6.3m	€576 + VAT 8am - 12pm or 1 - 5pm Weekday/Mon-Wed €1,080 + VAT 9am - 5pm Weekday/Mon-Wed €1,080 + VAT 9am - 5pm Weekend/Thurs-Sun + Bank Holiday
<b>Bishops Room *</b> 	Up to 12 pax (boardroom)  Location: Level 2.5, no lift access	Daytime: Mon-Sun Evening Mon-Sun	8.2m x 6.6m	€576 + VAT 8am - 12pm or 1 - 5pm Weekday/Mon-Wed €1,080 + VAT 9am - 5pm Weekday/Mon-Wed €1,080 + VAT 9am - 5pm Weekend/Thurs-Sun + Bank Holiday €1,296 + VAT 6pm- 10pm/Weekday/Mon-Wed €1,440 + VAT 6pm- 10pm/Weekend/Thur-Sun+bank holiday
<b>Whaley Room *</b> 	Up to 20 pax (dining) Up to 30 pax (theatre style) Up to 45 pax (standing reception)  Location: Level 2.5, no lift access	Daytime: Mon-Sun Evening Mon-Sun	9.4m x 6.6m	€576 + VAT 8am - 12pm or 1 - 5pm Weekday/Mon-Wed €1,080 + VAT 9am - 5pm Weekday/Mon-Wed €1,080 + VAT 9am - 5pm Weekend/Thurs-Sun + Bank Holiday €1,440 + VAT 6pm- 10pm/Weekday/Mon-Wed €1,800 + VAT 6pm- 10pm/Weekend/Thur-Sun+bank holiday
<b>Rose Room *</b> 	Up to 8 pax (boardroom) Up to 40 pax (theatre style)  Location: Level 2.5, no lift access	Daytime: Mon - Sun	10m x 7.1m	€576 + VAT 8am - 12pm/1 - 5pm Weekday/Weekend €1,080 + VAT 9am - 5pm Weekday/Mon-Wed €1,080 + VAT 9am - 5pm Weekend/Thurs-Sun + Bank Holiday

\* Note: Whaley Room/Bishop's Room/Rose Room can be hired as a three-room suite for medium-large events. Bespoke rates available on request.



**If you would like to learn more about our venue hire and entertaining options, please contact our Events Team:**

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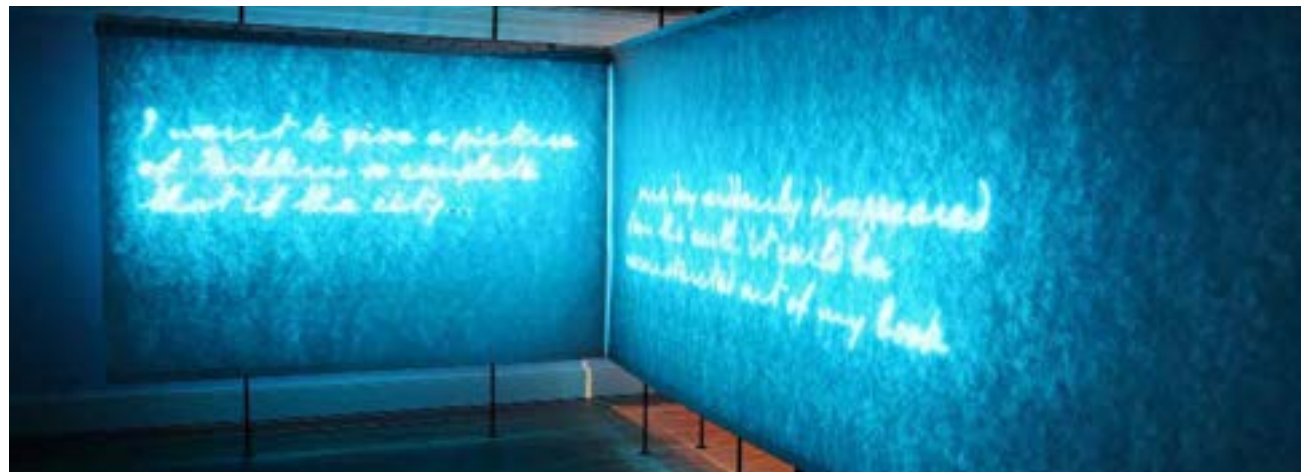
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MoLI is a partnership and creative alliance between University College Dublin (UCD) and the National Library of Ireland (NLI), supported by The Naughton Foundation and Fáilte Ireland.





## Staff Engagement and Team Building at MoLI

An exclusive, hands-on encounter with Ireland's rich literary history.

We take huge pride in our literary past, and use this to inspire and encourage our visitors, fostering a new generation of writers and creative thinkers.

Let your team be inspired by their visit to MoLI and take part in a creative engagement session for up to 20 staff led by our expert MoLI team. Explore the ways you think and work with a newfound artistic flair, both as individuals and as a team.

**Tour duration** 90 minutes

**Price:** €75 per person / minimum fee of €600

**Capacity:** Min 8 pax. / Max 20 pax.



## Corporate Partnership at MoLI

Support the museum and enjoy venue hire benefits and more by becoming a MoLI Corporate Partner.

Strong relationships with corporate partners play a key role in enabling us to bring Irish literature to diverse audiences at home and abroad, and continue to develop MoLI as the world's most significant literary museum.

We play a big role in the well-being of our corporate partners staff and clients. Corporate partners at MoLI enjoy built-in venue hire credit and discounted rates, staff and client engagement opportunities such from complimentary membership to private tours and workshops, alongside generous brand acknowledgement and exclusive invitations and access to MoLI events.

