

## **Scholarships for the 2014 Yeats International Summer School**

The Yeats Society is delighted to be able to offer a number of scholarships each year, to enable deserving students and others to attend the prestigious Yeats International Summer School in Sligo, which would otherwise be beyond their reach, on financial grounds.

Applications are made to the Yeats Society, and are considered, in confidence, by the Scholarship committee, whose decisions are final, conveyed directly to the applicant and to the Yeats Society.

Scholarships are generously provided by donors in honor of the following:

- the late Pierce Loughran Scholarship
- the late Seamus Heaney Tuition Scholarship,
- the late Gus Martin Tuition scholarship
- the late George Watson Tuition Scholarship
- the late Patricia Carroll Hayden Tuition Scholarship
- Yeats International Summer School Academic Board Tuition Scholarship

Those who apply for Pierce Loughran Scholarships need not send an Application Fee. Pierce Loughran Scholarships cover the Application Fee, Tuition Fee, and Accommodation, but no other experience.

Those who apply for Tuition Scholarships / Academic Council Scholarships and the Patricia Carroll Hayden Scholarship must enclose the €100 Application Fee. Tuition Scholarships cover all or part of the remaining Tuition Fee, but the student must pay for accommodation and all other expenses.

Applicants are required to apply under one only of the following headings:

### **1. Pierce Loughran Memorial Scholarship**

Applicants are requested to write , in confidence, to the Yeats Society outlining their interest in W.B. Yeats or other Yeats family members, explaining why they would wish to attend the Summer School, why their financial circumstances would prevent them from coming without a Pierce Loughran Memorial Scholarship.

This application must be accompanied, or followed, by a letter of recommendation from someone of standing, who knows the applicant, and his/her circumstances, and is able to verify the application.

Student applications may be made by e-mail or letter but recommendations must be by letter directly to the Yeats Society, and where possible, on headed note paper Applicants may be of any age or background, and are not required to be either current students or graduates.

### **2. Tuition Scholarships / Academic Council Scholarships / Patricia Carroll Hayden Scholarship.**

Applicants should be current undergraduates or graduate students with a specific interest in W.B. Yeats or any other Yeats family member. They must apply to the Yeats Society, outlining their area of interest and study, enclosing the €100 booking fee, and a letter of recommendation from their Professor or Director of Studies.

A Tuition Scholarship of the remaining €550 (or a portion of this) may be offered, and the student is required to pay for all other expenses.

In the event of a student not being offered a scholarship, and subsequently withdrawing his or her application to attend the Summer School, €75 is automatically refunded.

Applications for scholarships are accepted under one, not both of the above headings. Students must specify for which scholarship they are applying.

### **3. The Patricia Carroll Hayden Scholarship**

Patricia Carroll Hayden was born in Hartford, Connecticut, in the United States, but she felt at home in her Irish heritage. Pat was the daughter of immigrants from County Sligo and County Mayo, Ireland, and her affinity for Irish art and history was a zealous and lifelong pursuit. As friends and family can attest, Pat was eager to share her keen intellect and love of life. Her passion for teaching survives in the memory of many alumni of Rocky Hill High School, where she taught English for 25 years. Pat received her bachelor's from Central Connecticut State University, a Master's degree from Trinity College in Hartford, and her studies continued in a sixth year from the University of Connecticut, and in her advanced coursework at Wesleyan University.

In 2008 Pat published a book of poems entitled *Beyond Sun Drenched Skies*. She was an avid reader and patron of the theater, and she loved to travel and write poetry. She enjoyed several trips back to Ireland to visit with her cousins, many of whom fondly remember in turn her hospitality in Rocky Hill and the beach house at Black Point, Niantic. This scholarship is a tribute to her love of teaching, her love of poetry, and her fondness for Ireland.

Applications may be made to the Yeats Society, Hyde Bridge, Sligo either by post or

email [yeatssummerschool@yeatssociety.com](mailto:yeatssummerschool@yeatssociety.com).

Closing date for all Scholarship applications: 1st May 2014.