

ISTA 50th Annual Conference: Provisional Timetable



Friday 20th April

Please note only the **Pearse Street entrance** to the Science Gallery will be open on the Friday night due to Trinity Ball. **All guests must have their invitation/receipt with them** and arrive on time to secure entry.

From 5.30 pm Registration with Tea & Coffee

7.15 pm Guests should be seated in Paccar Theatre – Doors closed at 7.15pm.

7.30 pm Official Opening Ceremony & Lecture 'Tiny but Mighty' by Prof Jonathan Coleman

8.30 pm Wine reception with canapés and music recital 10.00 pm Guests welcome to adjourn to the Alexander Hotel

Saturday 21st April

| From 9.00 am | Registration Desk in Hamilton Building (Panoz Institute). Entrance by Lincoln Gate. | |
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| 9.30 – 10.15 | Prof Luke O'Neill | "Why it's great being a scientist — adventures in inflammation research" |
| | Dr Eric Finch & Dr Ronan McNulty | From Ernest Walton's atom splitting to the LHC and the Higgs Boson" |
| | Chemistry workshop | Chemistry demonstrations |
| 10.30 – 11.15 | Prof Colin Hill | "Biological warfare; using bacteria to combat infections" |
| | Dr Paul McCrory | "Letting the fun in Science out" |
| | Physics workshop | Physics demonstrations |
| 11.15 – 11.45 | Coffee Break | |
| 11.15 – 12.30 | Biology workshop | DNA profiling (note early start) |
| 11.45 – 12.30 | Dr Ciara McMahon | "Let's talk about radioactivity: how much |
| | | radiation are the Irish exposed to? |
| | Mr Alom Shaha | "What's the point of this?" |
| 12.30 – 2.00 | Leisurely lunch & opportunity to browse the exhibitions | |
| 2.00 - 2.45 | Mr Bob Becker | "The Chemistry of Teaching" |
| | Dr Aoife McLysaght | "Everything I know about life, I learned from my genome" |
| | Keith Gibbs | The Resourceful Physicist |
| 3.00 – 4.30 | Dr Michael Mosley (plenary lecture) | |
| | PharmaChemical Awards | |
| | Winners of Nanoscience Poster Competition | |
| 5.00 - 6.00 | Annual Business Meeting and election of officers | |
| 7.30 pm | Reception followed by Conference Dinner at 8pm in Alexander Hotel | |

Computer Labs with ICT drop-in sessions: 10.00 am – 3.00 pm

Primary Science sessions: 11.30 am to 12.30 pm & 12.45 pm to 1.30 pm with Liz Lawrence, Chair-Elect of the ASE: "Inquiry-based Learning in older Primary Science" and Elena Setterfield: "Rubbish Science: learning Primary Chemistry, Biology and Physics from the materials in the recycle bin"

Lunchtime Sessions

- Institute of Biology of Ireland Awards to LC 2011 students: (1.00 1.20 pm)
- ESTABLISH (15 min. sessions on Physics, Chemistry, Biology & Junior Science)
- Quizlet demonstrations in Computer Labs
- Sci-Fest & Sci-Clubs in Synge Theatre

Mass will be available at 6.15 pm in the Alexander Hotel.

Sunday 22nd April

- 10.30 12.30 Ingenious Dublin Walking Tour 'From Elephants to Earthquakes' with Mary Mulvihill.
- 11.00- 11.45 "Understanding & Improving Memory" by Prof Aidan Moran in The National Library
- 12.00 12.45 Mr Humphrey Jones aka The Frog Blog Apps for iPads The National Library (venue TBC)