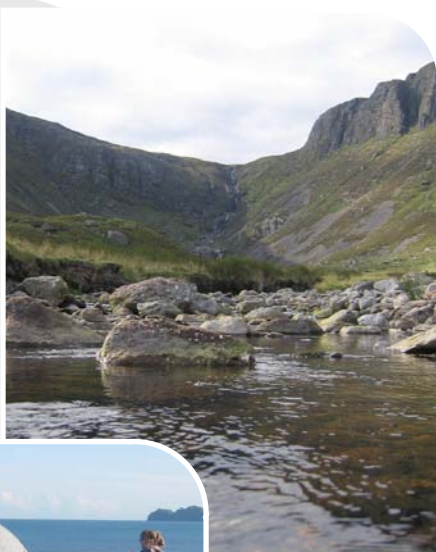


The **Secrets of Stone** Ireland's Geoheritage

Saturday 24th March 2012
9.30am to 4.30pm

The Palatine Room,
**National Museum of Ireland -
Decorative Arts and History**
Collins Barracks, Dublin 7

This seminar is aimed at increasing public awareness of Ireland's geoheritage and what it is, and explaining the diversity of actions and projects in Ireland aimed at **making geoheritage accessible to all, thereby unlocking the 'Secrets of Stone'**.



Open to all members of the public.
Conference Fee €15, €10 concession.
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PROGRAMME

Time

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- 09.30am** **Open registration**
- 09.55am **Welcome**
Siobhán Pierce - Education Officer, National Museum of Ireland
- 10.00am **Secrets of Stone – an introduction to Ireland's geoheritage**
Matthew Parkes – Geological Curator, Natural History Museum
- 10.30am **Geodiversity – the foundation of biodiversity**
Rosaleen Dwyer – Heritage Officer, South Dublin County Council
- 11.00am** **Coffee**
- 11.30am **Ireland's oldest industry – mining and quarrying**
Nigel Monaghan – Keeper, Natural History Museum
- 12.00pm **Geoheritage - why protect a load of old rocks?**
Sarah Gatley - Senior Geologist, Geological Survey of Ireland
- 12.30pm **"If the stones could talk...": Earth Science communication**
Mary Mulvihill - Science writer and storyteller
- 13.00pm** **Lunch**
- 2.00pm **Geoparks – a growing success story**
Sophie Prétéseille - Geologist, Geological Survey of Ireland
- 2.30pm **Geological heritage in our museums**
Patrick Wyse Jackson - Department of Geology, Trinity College Dublin
- 3.00pm **Getting more involved:**
Matthew Parkes - Earth Science Ireland
- 3.10pm **Una Patterson** - Castlecomer Discovery Park
- 3.20pm **Laura Smith** - Irish Geological Association
- 3.30pm **Patrick Wyse Jackson** - Geoschol
- 3.40pm **Steve McCarron** - Ice Age Ireland
- 3.50pm **Ray Scanlon** - Geological Survey of Ireland
- 4.00pm **Questions for speakers, discussion, and closing remarks**
- 4.30pm** **Finish**