



#### REGISTRATION AND BOOKING FORM

#### SECOND GOLDSMITH SUMMER SCHOOL (in conjunction with The Goldsmith Society)

MAY 30th - JUNE 1st, 1986

Name .....

Address .....

Registration Fee: £15

Please enclose cheque/order to:  
Goldsmith Summer School, 1986,  
Rustic Inn, Abbeyshrule, Co. Longford.



#### How to get there

The Goldsmith country is best approached from Ballymahon. Road L.121 (to Mullingar) leads to Forgnay and Pallas (3½ miles).

Route N55 (to Athlone) leads through Auburn and Lissoy (5½ miles).

The sites of interest are well sign-posted.

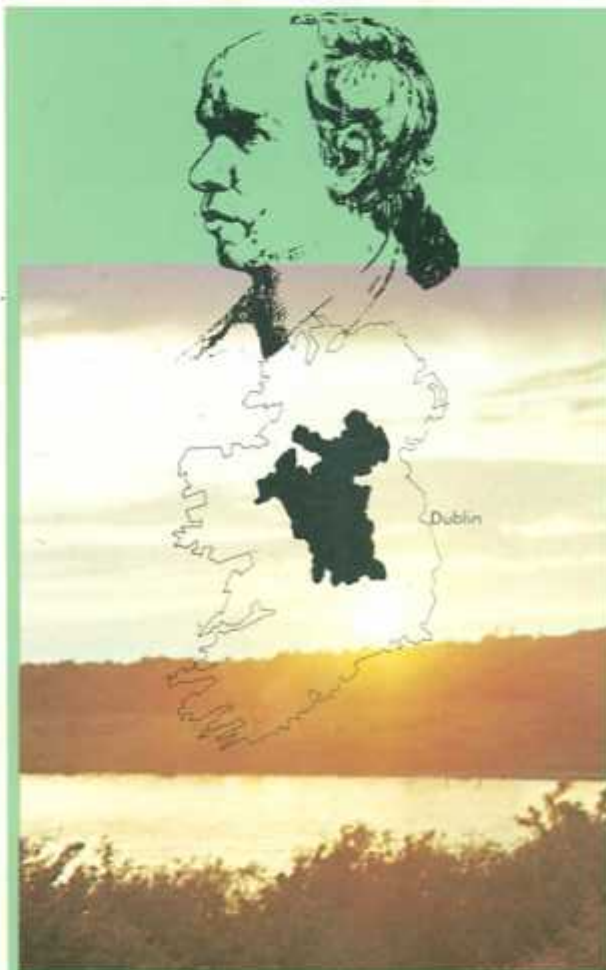
Approximate miles: Dublin (80), Cork (150),  
Galway (60), Belfast (120).



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# LAKE LAND



## Goldsmith Summer School

30th MAY to 1st JUNE, 1986

(Whit Weekend)





The Organising Committee (in conjunction with the Goldsmith Society) invites you to attend the Second Goldsmith Summer School on Whit Weekend, Friday, 30th May to 1st June, 1986.

#### THEME: GOLDSMITH'S IRELAND

Those attending should make their own accommodation arrangements. For the convenience of those attending a list of hotels and guest houses in the vicinity is enclosed.

As poet, playwright and novelist, Oliver Goldsmith is world renowned for his "Deserted Village", "She Stoops to Conquer" and "The Vicar of Wakefield". His interest in Irish culture and traditional music in particular can be seen from his Essay on Carolan, the blind harpist. In view of this connection nationally known musicians will provide a suitable backdrop to the proceedings.

The Goldsmith Summer School has three objectives:

- 1) To restore Oliver Goldsmith to his rightful place in Irish literature.
- 2) To develop a deeper insight into the writings of Goldsmith.
- 3) To promote the Goldsmith country as a major tourist attraction.

Registration fee: £15\*. Postal bookings only.

Payment by cheque/order to:

"Goldsmith Summer School 1986,  
C/o M/s Sinead Conlon,  
Vocational School, Ballymahon,  
Co. Longford.

General enquiries, etc.:

Lakeland Tourism, Dublin Road, Mullingar. (044) 48650.

Rustic Inn, Abbeyshrule. (044) 57424/57469.

The Three Jolly Pigeons. (0902) 85162.

\*Includes Lectures, Reception and Musical Evenings.

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Theme: Goldsmiths Ireland.

### PROGRAMME

Friday, 30th May, 1986

Rustic Inn, Abbeyshrule, Co. Longford

7.30 p.m.: Registrations

8.30 p.m.: Official Opening

8.45 p.m.: Opening Lecture of School - "Goldsmith's Ireland".

Speaker: Dr. Andrew Carpenter, M.A. (Oxon) Ph.D. U.C.D.

Chairperson: Dr. Brian Farrell, M.A. Ph.D. U.C.D./R.T.E.

9.30 p.m.: Sherry Reception, Buffet and Musical Evening.

Saturday, 31st May, 1986

Assembly Hall, Vocational School, Ballymahon, Co. Longford.

10.30-11.30 a.m.: "Glimpses of Gaelic Ireland in the time of Goldsmith".

Speaker: Dr. Alan Harrison, M.A. Ph.D., U.C.D.

Chairperson: Mr. Eugene McGee, Managing Editor, Longford Leader.

11.30-12.00: Coffee.

12.00-1.00: "Goldsmith's Ancestry".

Speaker: Dr. Patrick Murray, M.A. Ph.D. (St. Aloysius College), Athlone.

Chairperson: Mr. Liam Mulvihill, Director General of G.A.A.

2.00 p.m.: Town Tour

2.30 p.m.: Bus Tour of Goldsmith Country conducted by Patrick McCabe (Goldsmith Society).

**The Three Jolly Pigeons, Athlone**

3.00 p.m.: The Three Jolly Pigeons, Lissoy Parsonage, "The Busy Mill", "The Hawthorn Bush", "The Decent Church-Kilkenny West".

5.30 p.m.: The Three Jolly Pigeons.



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8.30 p.m.: Readings from Goldsmith's "Earth and Animated Nature".

Speakers: Dr. Sean Lucy, M.A. Ph.D. U.C.C.

Sean Scully, M.A., U.C.C.

Chairperson: Canon John Corkery, (Longford Historical Society)

9.30 p.m.: Musical Evening.

Sunday, 1st June, 1986

Dean Egan Library, Ballymahon

12.00-1.00 p.m.: "Life In Ireland During the Goldsmith Years"

Speaker: Ms. Anne O'Dowd, M.A., Irish folk-life division - National Museum.

Chairperson: Mr. Cecil English (Old Athlone Society).

1.00-2.00 p.m.: Open Seminar.

3.30 p.m.: Visit to Birthplace at Pallas. Poetry Reading Mr. Conleth Ellis.

4.00 p.m.: Visit to Forney Church.

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9.30 p.m.: Traditional Music/Ballads — Grand Finale Dance.

#### PROGRAMME INCLUDES AN EXHIBITION OF PAINTINGS BY LAKELAND ART GROUP

##### ORGANISING COMMITTEE

President: Mr. Fred Moncriette.

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Secretary: Mr. Sean Ryan.

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P.R.O.: Mr. William Dowler.

Committee: Marion Canavan, Canon John Corkery, (Longford Historical Society), Cecil English, (Old Athlone Society), Kevin Flood, Michael Mallon, Gabriel McGoey, Dr. Patrick Kelly, Ned Murray, Ronnie Nally, John O'Donnell, Patrick Whelan.

"SWEET AUBURN! loveliest village of the plain,  
Where health and plenty cheered the labouring swain,  
Where smiling spring its earliest visit paid,  
And parting summer's lingering blooms delayed.

Extract from Goldsmith's "Deserted Village".